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G R O U P

**Ecosystem Forum**  
SIGGRAPH, Los Angeles,  
July 2019



# Thank You to the glTF BOF Presenters!

- AGI, Ed Mackey
- Facebook, Renee Rashid
- Cesium, Omar Shehata
- DGG, Max Limper
- Uber, Georgios Karnas
- UX3D, Fabian Wahlster and Moritz Becher
- Esri, David Körner
- Sketchfab, Alban Denoyel
- Google, Adrian Perez
- Wayfair, Shrenik Sadalgi

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UX3D



Google



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# Agenda

- Introductions
- Latest glTF developments
- CGI and 3D Commerce. Tammy Jacobson, Target
- Is runtime the new interchange format? Jules Urbach, CEO, OTOY
- Panel on Standards Organizations & 3D Formats
  - George Percivall, CTO at Open Geospatial Consortium
  - Carol McDonald, Co-Chair, IEEE 3D Body Processing Industry Connections working group
  - Phil Spreier, Executive Director, 3D PDF Consortium
- Open discussion on opportunities and issues in the glTF ecosystem
  - What tools and workflows do you need that do not yet exist?
  - What issues are you facing deploying glTF?
  - How do YOU think that glTF should evolve?
    - Universal textures & KTX2 container
    - PBR Next
- 6pm Reception. Yes that means FREE BEER!

# Remember glTF 1.0???

October 2015 Press Release:



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## Khronos Finalizes glTF 1.0 Specification

*Extensible format to enable ongoing innovation in 3D streaming and compression*

**HTML5DevConf- October 19th 2015 – San Francisco, CA –The Khronos Group**, an open consortium of leading hardware and software companies, today announced that the glTF™ 1.0 (GL Transmission Format ) royalty-free specification for transmission and loading of 3D content has been finalized for Ratification and is immediately available for use by tools and application vendors. glTF is an efficient, interoperable asset delivery format that compresses the size of 3D scenes and models, and minimizes runtime processing by applications using WebGL™ and other APIs. glTF also defines a common publishing format for 3D content tools and services. More information on glTF specifications and activities is available at: <https://www.khronos.org/gltf/>.

February 2016 version of  
<https://www.khronos.org/gltf/>

three.js Loader

<https://github.com/mrdoob/three.js/>

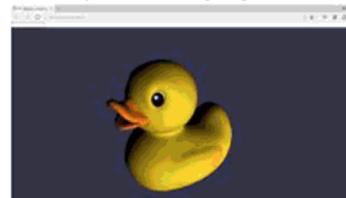


 **CESIUM**  
It's the native format!  
<http://cesiumjs.org/>



 Microsoft

Babylon.js Loader (in development)  
<http://www.babylonjs.com/>



**PIPELINE TOOLS**

collada2gltf converter  
<https://github.com/KhronosGroup/gltf>

Online drag and drop COLLADA  
to glTF converter  
<http://cesiumjs.org/convertmodel.html>

FBX to glTF Converter  
(in development)  
Drag and drop convertor coming  
<http://gltf.autodesk.io/>



# glTF Today!



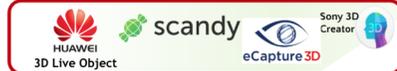
Dedicated 3D Authoring Tools



Authoring Tools that Export 3D



VR / AR Authoring Tools



3D Scanning Tools



Converters and Optimizers



Validation and Reference Tools



Game Engines



Web Engines



Apps and Engines



VR / AR Apps and Engines



Productivity and Social Apps

## glTF Tools

### Converters, Importers, and Exporters

Tool	Input	Output	Description
Khronos Group Blender Importer/Exporter	glTF 2.0	glTF 2.0	Official importer/exporter, included with Blender 2.80 and higher
3DS Max Exporter	3DS Max 2015 or later	glTF 2.0	Export glTF files using BabylonJS plugin for 3DS Max 2015 or later
Maya Exporter	Maya 2018 or later	glTF 2.0	Export glTF files using BabylonJS plugin for Maya 2018 or later
Unity Exporter (Sketchfab fork)	Unity editor	glTF 2.0	Unity editor wizard that exports to glTF Format
Unity COLLADA & glTF Exporter Unity 5 & Unity 2017	Unity 5 & Unity 2017	glTF 2.0	Commercial unity asset store editor extension to export COLLADA and glTF via collada2gltf
Sketchup export and import	SketchUp	glTF 2.0	Separate extensions for export and import
PBR extension for SketchUp	SKP	glTF 2.0	PBR Material Editor, glTF Exporter, PBR Viewport
obj2gltf	OBJ	glTF 2.0	Command-line converter
Kupoman blendergltf	Blender	glTF 2.0	glTF exporter for Blender aimed at streaming scenes to other applications
ksons Blender Importer	Blender	glTF 2.0 (alpha)	Blender importer for glTF 2.0 (alpha)
BlackThread.io converter	Multiple	glTF 2.0	Online drag and drop converter powered by



## Late-breaking glTF projects #1058

Open pjcuzzi opened this issue on Aug 5, 2017 · 243 comments

# Blender 2.80 Supports Full glTF Import/Export

Project driven by Mozilla, Khronos and the glTF community



Blender 2.80 Manual

glTF 2.0

Category: Import-Export  
Menu: File > Import/Export > glTF 2.0 (.glb, .gltf)

### Usage

glTF™ (GL Transmission Format) is used for transmission and loading of 3D models in web and native applications. glTF reduces the size of 3D models and the runtime processing needed to unpack and render those models. This format is commonly used on the web, and has support in various 3D engines such as Unity3D, Unreal Engine 4, and Godot.

This importer/exporter supports the following glTF 2.0 features:

- Meshes
- Materials (Principled BSDF and Shadeless (Unlit))
- Textures
- Cameras
- Punctual lights (point, spot, and directional)
- Animation (keyframe, shape key, and skinning)

Blender's Principled BSDF Shader node maps to glTF's PBR materials

occlusionRoughnessMetallic.png

Separate RGB

Principled BSDF

Material Output

GGX

Christensen-Burley

Base Color

Subsurface: 0.000

Subsurface Radius

Subsurface Color

Metallic

Specular: 0.500

Specular Tint: 0.000

Roughness

Anisotropic: 0.000

Anisotropic Rotation: 0.000

Sheen: 0.000

Sheen Tint: 0.500

Clearcoat: 0.000

Clearcoat Roughness: 0.030

IOR: 1.450

Transmission: 0.000

Transmission Roughness: 0.000

Emission

Alpha: 1.000

Normal

Clearcoat Normal

Tangent

[https://docs.blender.org/manual/en/2.80/addons/io\\_scene\\_gltf2.html](https://docs.blender.org/manual/en/2.80/addons/io_scene_gltf2.html)

# Welcome Autodesk to Khronos!



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## Autodesk joins The Khronos Group; glTF gains momentum

🕒 July 24, 2019    👤 [Members](#)

Big news! 3D software developer, Autodesk has joined [the Khronos Group](#).

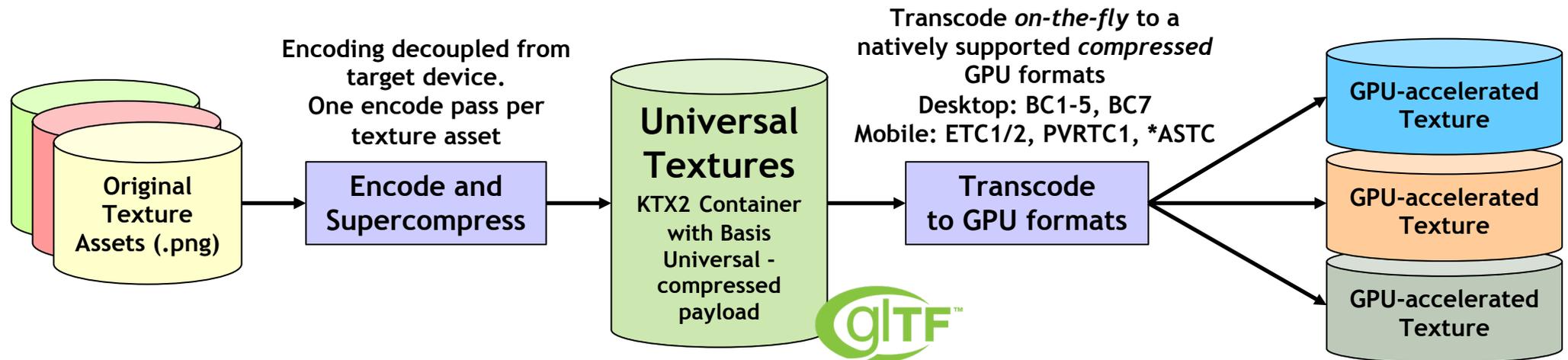
Autodesk is an industry-leading provider of 3D design, engineering and entertainment software, that joined the 3D Formats Working Group to

support the Khronos [glTF file format](#) and the [3D Commerce Exploratory Group](#), a group of companies exploring standards and guidelines for the production and distribution of real-time 3D representations of products. glTF is an open standard for efficient and reliable encapsulation and transmission of 3D assets and scenes, including PBR materials and animations.



# Universal Textures for glTF

- Fragmentation of GPU texture formats is significant issue for developers
  - Binomial's 'Basis Universal' technology enables JPEG-sized texture assets
  - Transcodable on-the-fly to natively supported compressed GPU formats
- glTF Universal Texture extension uses KTX2 as a flexible container
  - Precisely defined specification for consistent, cross-vendor generation and validation
  - Can contain wide range of texture formats used in Vulkan/DirectX/Metal
  - Supports streaming and full random access to MIP levels
  - Subset of full KTX2 - mandating supercompressed textures using Basis Universal technology



\*ASTC support in development

# Compare File Sizes: 512 x 768 RGB Photo



# CGI and 3D Commerce

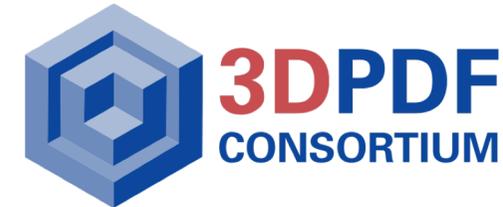
Tammy Jacobson, Target

# Is runtime the new interchange format?

- glTF is designed for efficient runtime, but we are seeing import, archive, and “light” interchange usage
  - Robustness
  - Binary
  - Open standard
  - Precision
  - Feature rich enough?

# Panel on Standards Organizations & 3D Formats

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- Carol McDonald, Co-Chair, IEEE 3D Body Processing Industry Connections working group
- Phil Spreier, Executive Director, 3D PDF Consortium



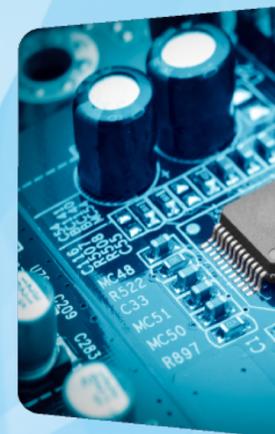


# Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)

**Innovation – Interoperability – Collaboration**

**3D Tiles – OGC Community Standard**

George Percivall, CTO Chief Engineer



# IEEE INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS 3D BODY PROCESSING (3DBP)

*Carol McDonald – Gneiss Concept*

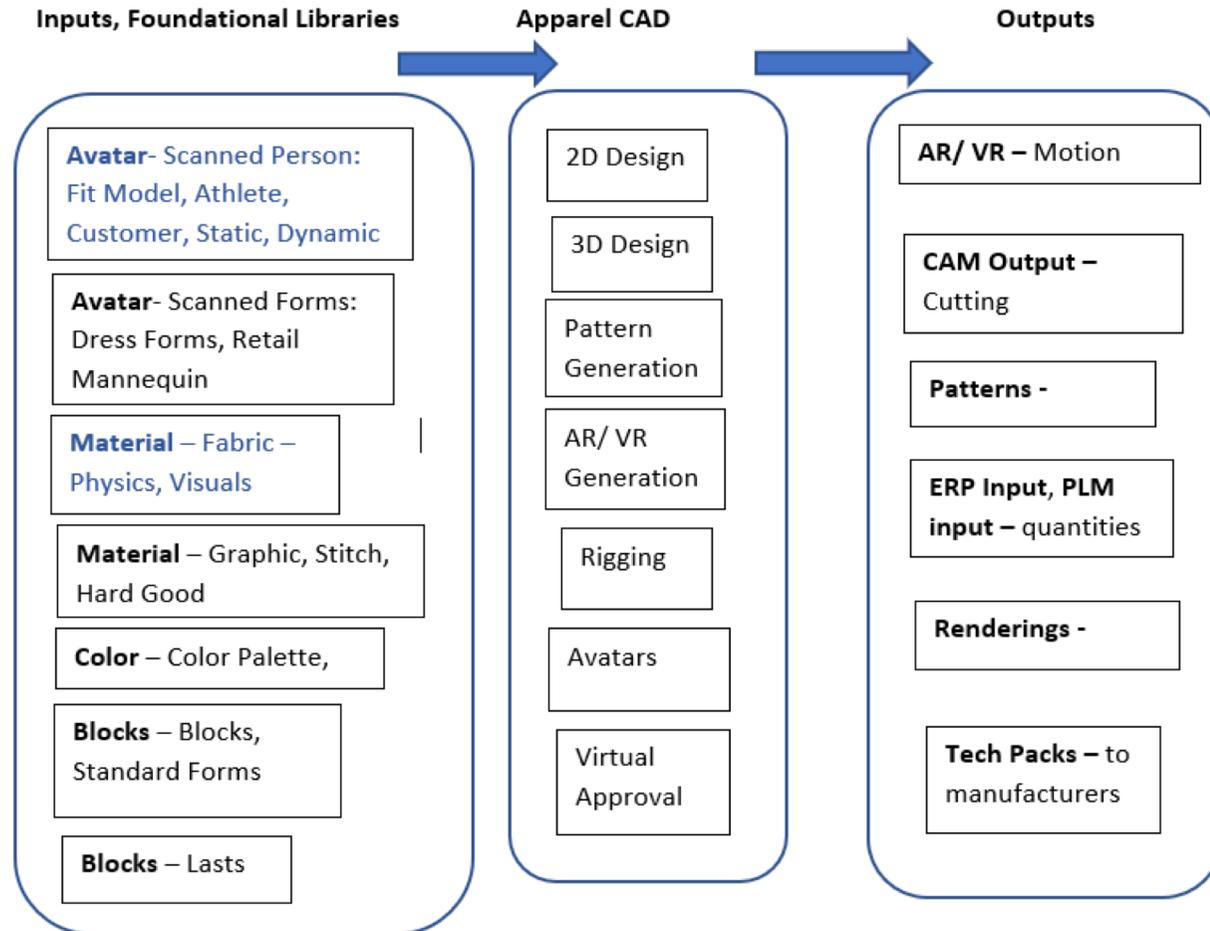
# IEEE 3DBP IC WG

<https://standards.ieee.org/industry-connections/3d/bodyprocessing.html>



The motivations and goals of this program are to bring together diverse stakeholders from across technology, retail, research and standards development to build thought leadership around 3D body processing technology standards in areas such as 3D capture, processing, storage, sharing and (augmented) representation.

# Retail Environment



# Gneiss Concept



- ▶ IEEE 3DBP Working Group Co-chair
- ▶ Focus of improving existing made-to-measure techniques or employing the latest mass customization strategies
- ▶ Experience
  - 30 years of experience in New Product Introduction Engineering and Sustaining Engineering for Consumer, Medical, Testing equipment and Fitness products. Lean Manufacturing focus



# ABOUT US

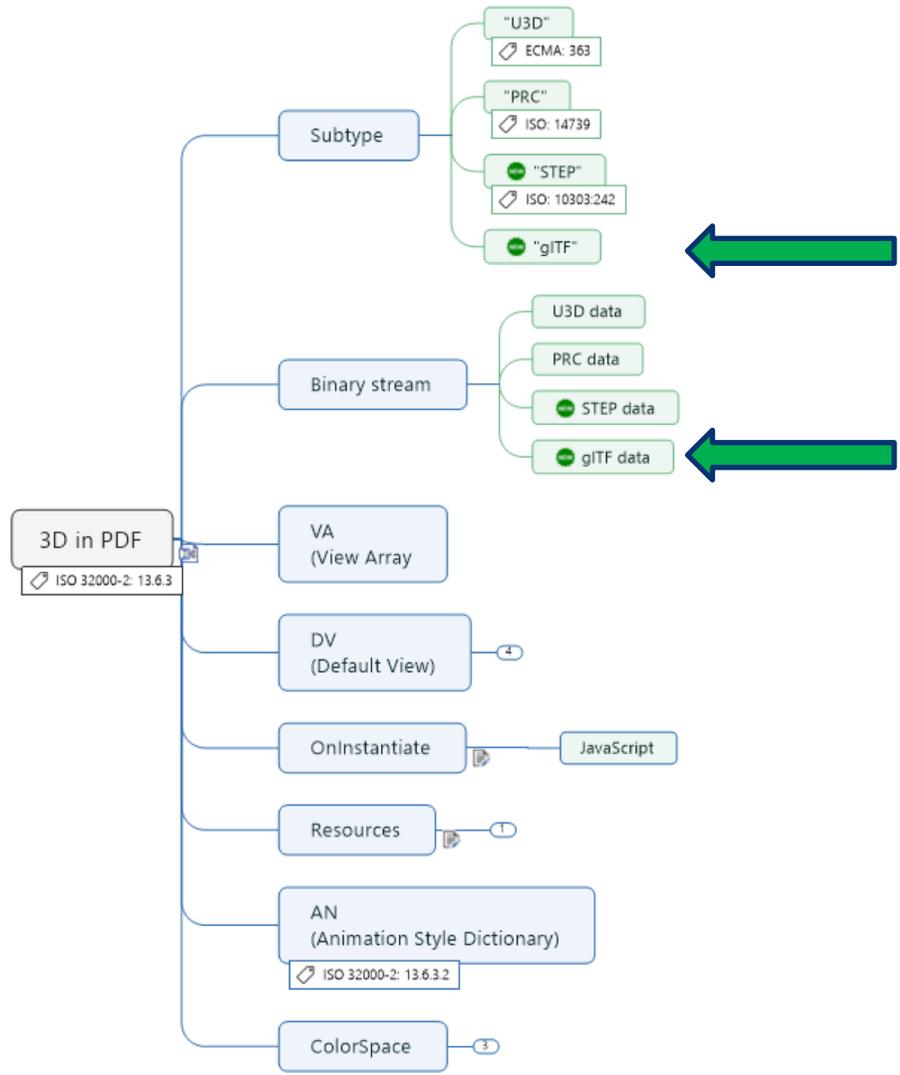
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gITF AND PDF  
*Proposal*





# 3D PDF USE CASES

*The delivery mechanism for a model base enterprise*



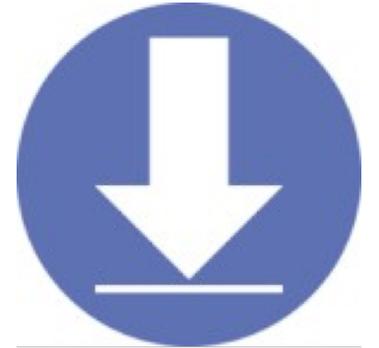
Archival /  
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Access to Co-  
Production  
Partners



Delivery /  
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Delivery /  
Access to  
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Shopfloor

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# Discussion Topics

- PBR Next and rich material standardization
- Consistency and efficiency
- More primitive types/LOD but without descending into interchange format hell
- Universal textures & KTX2 container
- **USD to glTF tool flow**
- **Metadata**
- **Instancing**
- **CAD/BIM models**
- **Encryption and security - native or container**
- **Spheres and cylinders for molecular modelling**
- **Mesh compression**
- **Streaming of large models - geospatial**

# Universal Textures - Get Involved!



- Design discussions
  - <https://github.com/KhronosGroup/glTF/pull/1612>
- Khronos open source tools
  - <https://github.com/KhronosGroup/KTX-Software/tree/ktx2>
  - toktx - create a KTX2 file from a set of .png images
  - ktxsc - convert images in KTX2 file to supercompressed images using Basis transcoder
- Ecosystem forming around KTX2
  - Khronos glTF texture tool with GUI for generating supercompressed textures
  - Increasing number of run-times integrating prototype KTX2 support



Applications and engines with prototype KTX2 support

[https://www.khronos.org/assets/uploads/developers/library/2019-siggraph/  
glTF-KTX2-Basis-SIGGRAPH\\_Jul19.pdf](https://www.khronos.org/assets/uploads/developers/library/2019-siggraph/glTF-KTX2-Basis-SIGGRAPH_Jul19.pdf)

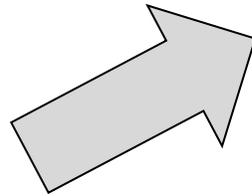
# KTX2 and .basis files

Two complementary container formats for Basis Universal assets

## BINOMIAL

‘Basis Universal’ texture compression technology

Enables JPG-sized textures that can be transcoded on-the-fly to natively supported *compressed* GPU formats

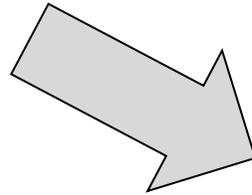


Binomial and Google open sourced ‘Basis Universal’ compressor and transcoder

C++ or WebAssembly code for handling ‘.basis’ format textures in native apps and web sites

[https://github.com/binomialLLC/basis\\_universal](https://github.com/binomialLLC/basis_universal)

Fine if you are in full control of your texture assets and rendering



Binomial’s ‘Basis Universal’ technology contributed to glTF

Rigorously-defined KTX2 container format supports wide range of texture formats used in Vulkan/DirectX/Metal with streaming and full random access to MIP levels  
glTF extension uses KTX2 subset with supercompressed payload using Basis Universal Technology

Great for cross-vendor distribution of textures to multiple applications and engines



# Next Generation glTF PBR Materials

- Demand for advanced PBR for photorealistic assets
  - Beyond current ‘Metallic-Roughness’ and ‘Specular-Glossiness’
  - E.g. Absorption/attenuation, clear coat, subsurface scattering, anisotropy
- Extending Metallic-Roughness parameters
  - Consistency and fallbacks for performance for any device
- Inspiration from Dassault Systèmes Enterprise PBR Shading Model (DSPBR)
  - [https://github.com/DassaultSystemes-Technology/EnterprisePBRShadingModel/tree/master/glTF\\_ext](https://github.com/DassaultSystemes-Technology/EnterprisePBRShadingModel/tree/master/glTF_ext)
- Wide industry collaboration for compatibility
  - Dassault Systèmes
  - Google Filament
  - Microsoft BabylonJS
  - NVIDIA MDL
  - OTOY Octane

**Join the GitHub Discussion!**

<https://github.com/KhronosGroup/glTF/issues/1442>

Images from <https://dassaultsystemes-technology.github.io/EnterprisePBRShadingModel/>

