

**From:** Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** "jeffrey E." <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** Re: timing for meet-up in November ... Re: Visiting in November  
**Date:** Sun, 09 Nov 2014 04:33:27 +0000

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How's the 10th looking now?

Actually any time this upcoming week is do-able, but the 10th would be best if possible.... I fly back to HK next weekend...

thx  
ben

On Mon, Nov 3, 2014 at 4:04 AM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:  
> maybe the 10th, i will not be back before the 8th

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> On Mon, Nov 3, 2014 at 1:55 AM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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>> Hi,  
>>  
>> Sorry to be a nag, but do you know if you're available Nov 6 at this  
>> point?

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>> thx ;)  
>> ben

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>> On Wed, Oct 22, 2014 at 6:43 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:  
>>> cant be sure yet

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>>> On Wed, Oct 22, 2014 at 6:40 AM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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>>>> Hi,  
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>>>> I'm firming up my travel plans; does Nov 6 in NYC still look good for  
>>>> us  
>>>> to meet?

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>>>> Looking forward to it -- lots to report & discuss!

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>>>> thx ;)  
>>>> ben

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>>>> On Mon, Oct 6, 2014 at 5:59 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
>>>> wrote:

>>>>>  
>>>>> 6th looks good at the moment

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>>>>> On Mon, Oct 6, 2014 at 3:10 AM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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>> >>>> Hi Jeffrey,

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>> >>>> It looks like I'll be at MIT Nov 7-9, and then on the US East Coast

>> >>>> (details to be figured out) from Nov 10-17 .... Will sometime in

>> >>>> the

>> >>>> interval Nov 10-17 work for us to meet up?

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>> >>>> If not I could possibly do Nov 5 or 6 or so, before the BICA

>> >>>> conference

>> >>>> at MIT ... but I'd want to know soon so I can buy plane tickets HK-US

>> >>>> accordingly...

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>> >>>> Or if this is too far in advance for you to plan a meeting, I can

>> >>>> just

>> >>>> come and then hope to schedule something with you at the last minute

>> >>>> ;)

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>> >>>> There is loads of interesting stuff to discuss!!

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>> >>>> Thanks a lot,

>> >>>> Ben

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>> >>>> On Wed, Sep 17, 2014 at 11:09 PM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]>

>> >>>> wrote:

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>> >>>>> Great!

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>> >>>>> Do you want to arrange the particular date now, or should I ping you

>> >>>>> about it in a couple weeks?

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>> >>>>> I will probably need to buy plane tickets for the trip around Oct 1,

>> >>>>> and it would be good to incorporate knowledge of the date of our

>> >>>>> meeting to

>> >>>>> trip planning...

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>> >>>>> Thanks a lot,

>> >>>>> Ben

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>> >>>>> On Wed, Sep 17, 2014 at 7:47 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com>

>> >>>>> wrote:

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>> >>>>>> yes look forward to it

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>> >>>>>> On Wed, Sep 17, 2014 at 7:38 AM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]>

>> >>>>>> wrote:

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>> >>>>>>> Hi Jeffrey,

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>> >>>>>>> I hope you've been well !

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>> >>>>>>> I'll be in the US in early November for the BICA conference at MIT  
>> >>>>>>> (Nov 7-9; I guess Joscha will attend as well)... and probably stay  
>> >>>>>>> in the US  
>> >>>>>>> for a little bit after that...  
>> >>>>>>>  
>> >>>>>>> I wonder if we could meet up at some point during my US visit --  
>> >>>>>>> either in Boston if you'll be there around that time, or in New  
>> >>>>>>> York, or  
>> >>>>>>> anywhere else that you prefer...  
>> >>>>>>>  
>> >>>>>>> It would be good to show you some of the stuff we've been up to  
>> >>>>>>> with  
>> >>>>>>> OpenCog, if you can spare a couple hours. Lots going on ;) ...  
>> >>>>>>> (due to the  
>> >>>>>>> efforts of the team in Hong Kong, plus some of the guys in  
>> >>>>>>> Ethiopia...) ...  
>> >>>>>>> our NLP/reasoning work is advancing quite a bit, as well as some  
>> >>>>>>> video game  
>> >>>>>>> world and robotics stuff...  
>> >>>>>>>  
>> >>>>>>> As an aside, our AI hedge fund project looks like it's going to go  
>> >>>>>>> forward and we'll probably start trading early next year. We had  
>> >>>>>>> been  
>> >>>>>>> struggling with HK equity data, but shifting to US equities and  
>> >>>>>>> global  
>> >>>>>>> futures (in the last couple months) has given us much nicer  
>> >>>>>>> historical  
>> >>>>>>> prediction accuracies (largely due to the lower transaction costs  
>> >>>>>>> on these  
>> >>>>>>> markets). Next step is to run backtests on these other markets,  
>> >>>>>>> and then  
>> >>>>>>> try it all on data from 2012-2014, which we have held out as  
>> >>>>>>> "virgin data"  
>> >>>>>>> for last-ditch testing... and then if that works, trade real  
>> >>>>>>> money.... I  
>> >>>>>>> have been splitting my time between OpenCog and the trading  
>> >>>>>>> project and am  
>> >>>>>>> sick to death of quantitative finance and eager to shift more time  
>> >>>>>>> to  
>> >>>>>>> OpenCog; but I would rather ramp down my time on the finance  
>> >>>>>>> project on a  
>> >>>>>>> successful note (i.e. after getting a tradable system working),  
>> >>>>>>> and at the  
>> >>>>>>> moment it seems to be going in that direction...  
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>> >>>>>>> Thanks,  
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>> >>>>>>> <http://goertzel.org>  
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