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(57) Abstract :

Disclosed is a method for managing a multimedia conference comprising: allocating at least one cascading resource to each conference group in at least two conference groups; connecting the cascading resources of different conference groups one cascading resource of one conference group being only connected with one cascading resource of the other conference group and any conference group being capable of being directly or indirectly connected with other conference groups via the cascading resource; and transmitting a media stream required to be transmitted among the conference groups and subjected to audio mixing treatment via the connected cascading resources. Correspondingly further disclosed is equipment for managing a multimedia conference. Because at least one cascading resource is allocated to each conference group and the cascading resources of the conference groups are connected with each other the media stream of the conference group where the cascading resource is can be transmitted to the cascading resources of other conference groups so that attending members of multiple conference groups can communicate with each other.

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