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| Minutes of IEEE 802.1 OmniRAN TG January 31st Conference call on 5G SC Action A |
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## Abstract

Minutes of the IEEE 802.1 OmniRAN TG 5G SC Action A conference call on January 31st, 2017.

During the call, the ICAID document has been thoroughly reviewed, discussed and modified accordingly.

* The completed ICAID document with edit marks
* <https://mentor.ieee.org/omniran/dcn/16/omniran-16-0084-03-5gaa-draft-icaid-for-5g-sc-action-a.docx>
* The clean version of the above document is also uploaded to mentor for further processing
* <https://mentor.ieee.org/omniran/dcn/16/omniran-16-0084-04-5gaa-draft-icaid-for-5g-sc-action-a.docx>

# Tuesday, February 31st, 2017

Chair: Max Riegel

Recording secretary: Hao Wang

## Call to order

* Meeting called to order by Max Riegel at 9:30 ET
* Meeting was guided by the slides uploaded and maintained by the chair:
<https://mentor.ieee.org/omniran/dcn/17/omniran-17-0014-00-5gaa-jan-31st-5gaa-conference-call-slides.pptx>

## Minutes

* Hao Wang volunteered to take notes.

## Attendance

* Participants

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| **Name** | **Affiliation** |
| Max Riegel | Nokia |
| Hao Wang | Fujitsu |
| Janos Farkas | Ericsson |
| Joan Woolery  | IEEE SA |
| Roger Marks | EthAirNet Assoc. |
| Joseph Levy  | Interdigital |
| Yasushi Takatori | NTT |
| Yonggang Fang  | ZTETX |
| Antonio de la Oliva | U3CM |

## IEEE WG Guidelines

* The chair presented the mandatory IEEE SA guideline slide for pre-PAR activities.

## Agenda approval

* The chair presented the proposed agenda for discussion and approval.
* Introduction
* Review of minutes
* Update on IEEE 5G initiative
* Industry Connections Activity
Initiation Document (ICAID)
* Going forward
* AoB
* Agenda was approved without further comments.

## Introduction

* The chair provided a short introduction into the history and scope of the activity by going through the slides contained in the guiding meeting slides and providing a recap of the 5G SC conclusions.

## Review of minutes

* The chair announced that minutes of the OmniRAN TG special session on 5G SC Action A at the IEEE 802 Interim Meeting in Atlanta on January 18th stored on mentor and asked for comments, if any.
* <https://mentor.ieee.org/omniran/dcn/17/omniran-17-0012-00-5gaa-jan-18th-5gaa-f2f-meeting-minutes.docx>
* No remarks were made.

## Industry Connections Activity Initiation Document (ICAID)

* Consensus is finally reached on the name of the Industry Connection activity as ‘IEEE 802 network enhancements for the next decade’
* When Max presented his thoughts regarding the scope and name of the Industry Connection activity, Janos brought up his concern on ‘next gen network’ that it may remind people of YANG (Yet Another Next Generation). And Roger added that it may also remind people of WNG (Wireless Next Generation) which is a continuous activity, but the IC is a one-time matter.
* Joe proposed to attach a year to the name, but the group has difficulty to find a proper year other than ‘2020’ but means as much as ‘2020’. Max gave his estimation on the time scale of the IC activity and the potential standardization projects afterwards, and his proposal of using ‘the next decade’ was accepted by the group.
* Roger prefers to specify ‘IEEE 802’ rather than just ‘IEEE’ to avoid conflict with the activities conducted by other groups inside IEEE for the similar purpose.
* Roger recalled the discussions on the last F2F meeting at the IEEE 802 Interim in January when people argued about gaining more pieces of information from the IC activity than those towards ‘a unified IEEE network’. But the group was willing to see some technical expectations for such activity shown in the name and agreed to use ‘network enhancement’. Roger further explained that the enhancement may initially improve 802 technologies and will address the interfaces to other standards later.
* Joan mentioned the name can be changed even after the ICcom approval of the ICAID.
* Roger’s initial proposal of bringing a ‘focus’ at the end of sub clause 3.1 was polished with a softer tone by the group.
* For the sake of easy clarification, Roger suggests to simplify the description of the deliverables.
* Joan brought up her experiences with the past IC activities and explained that, in common cases, the support from IEEE SA staff is for marketing, e.g calling for interest, organizing workshops, sharing information, etc, which doesn’t have to include financial support. She wonders what kind of roles for IEEE SA staff is expected during this IC activity. Max explained his idea on how to fully leverage the achievements inside IEEE SA and how it will benefit such IC activity. Specifically, he makes an example of IoT applications and explained the need of SA staff in order to efficiently engage in such vertical industry applications.
* Joe described the situation when the participants of IEEE 802.11 AANI SC added the statement of ‘no need for additional SA funding’ on sub clause 6. But the group preferred to leave such statement out of next ICAID draft allowing more flexibility.

## Next steps

* The group agreed to submit the modified ICAID for EC approval, and no more discussion on the text is needed for the next conference call.
* The major topic for the next conference call will be discussing the development of the next 802.1CF draft.
* Next conference call: Tuesday, February 7th, 2017, 09:30-11:00AM ET.

## AOB

* No other topic was brought up.

The chair adjourned the meeting at 11:00 ET.