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1 Introduction

The 3GPP Working Procedures place an obligation on the PCG to keep an IPR Register. The relevant clause is reproduced below:

Article 55: Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Policy

Individual Members shall be bound by the IPR Policy of their respective Organizational Partner. Individual Members should declare at the earliest opportunity, any IPRs which they believe to be essential, or potentially essential, to any work ongoing within 3GPP.

Organizational Partners should encourage their respective members to grant licences on fair, reasonable terms and conditions and on a non-discriminatory basis.

The PCG shall maintain a register of IPR declarations relevant to 3GPP, received by the Organizational Partners.

2 Current situation

An area has already been created on the 3GPP web site for IPR. The content of that page is reproduced below:

The Project Coordination Group (PCG) is responsible for maintaining a register of IPR declarations relevant to 3GPP, received by the Organizational Partners.

Individual Members should declare, to their Organizational Partners, any IPRs which they believe to be essential, or potentially essential, to any work ongoing within 3GPP.

For further information please contact the PCG Secretary, Adrian Scrase



List of IPR declarations sorted by Organizational Partners:

3 Implementation of Article 55

It is proposed that the Register be interpreted as the table given above with links provided to the IPR Declarations of each Organizational Partner (as already done in the case of ETSI).

If the OPs agree with this proposal then each OP should be requested to provide suitable links to their IPR Declarations.

The OPs may also wish to discuss the problems which may arise where the IPR declarations are only available in their native language.