

**Farewell to Stoyan Baev - Version 0.0.1**  
**RAN5**

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## 1 Introduction

Stoyan Baev, or as he is known: "His 3GPP Excellency, Stoyan Baev", is retiring after a long and industrious career and this will be his final RAN 5 meeting.

As detailed in [1], Stoyan has provided the technical leadership of the varied and complex area of conformance testing as one of the lead delegates in RAN 5 since 2008. He has been solely responsible for the development of conformance test solution for many critical features in Release 10 to Release 15 covering 5GS, E-UTRA, IMS, MCPTT and MCImp.

In addition he is well known as having played a leading role for many years in other industry fora including GERAN3 and GCF. <sup>[citation needed]</sup>

Section 2 allows delegates to send farewell (and other) comments to Stoyan and covers the following topics:

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## 2 Discussion

This section is for delegates to send comments to Stoyan.

### 2.1 General farewell comments

Please add your general farewell comments in the discussion below.

**Feedback Form 1: General farewell comments**

<b>1 – Spirent Communications</b>
Best wishes for the future! We will miss you! Richard C
<b>2 – Qualcomm Incorporated</b>
Wishing you the e-way to enjoy the last few months 'working' before retirement and plan your 'macros' well for 'personal' benefit post-retirement, having done it for Samsung && RAN5 all along ;-)

Wish you the very best retirement and time ahead!– Pradeep G

### **3 – Bureau Veritas**

It still hardly to believe that you are finally going to retire. I still have so many things need to learn from you. Not only work but also how to enjoy the life alone. It's always enjoy when we have meal or sightseeing together during off meeting time. Hope we will have this time again after the COVID crisis is over.

Wish you all the best and have fun in the retirement life. Look forward to see you soon. Amy T :-)

### **4 – China Mobile Com. Corporation**

I can still recall my first RAN5 meeting in 2018 Munich. A very cool man wearing even cooler artistic bracelets gave me quite a few good comments and suggestions on my terrible TS 38.522 v 0.1.0... From then on, I do have learnt a lot from that cool man, not only on how to be a good rapporteur but also on how to do the scientific work artistically. All the best wishes to his retired life. Oh..by the way, that cool man is "His 3GPP Excellency, Stoyan Baev" :) Danni S

### **5 – Ericsson LM**

Dear Stoyan, Time runs. As many others I have known You for many years now. I remember the first time I met You...I think it was in Bath (?) where You started as secretary for RAN5 (or was it T1?). I must say that You look much the same today as then:-) I very much appreciate and respect You both as person as well as contributor in RAN5. I wish You all the best and a very interesting time ahead, a relaxing Rapporteur-less, Work-plan-less, CR-less, and Meeting-handling-less time....Leif Mattisson

### **6 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

where do I begin? Maybe, with my first RAN5 meeting 2014 in Prague. A novice, not in age but in 3GPP, I came with good intentions and little knowledge. Instead of blasting off my vague discussion paper, Stoyan took the good part of it and helped to shape it towards what I actually wanted but could not achieve by myself. Over the following 7 years, we had many encounters. Even when we were at odds, Stoyan was always open to arguments and ready to compromise. This is what standards make succeed. And I learnt a lot, not just about PRD13, and benefitted big time. For instance, he gave up on the better lounge in San Francisco airport in order to get me into a silver lounge to ease the long delay of flights. Man in black, fighting hard in RAN5, but with a big heart! Wish you all the best for many years to come in pursuit of happiness. Hans Rohnert

### **7 – HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES Co. Ltd.**

When I came into RAN5 meeting 3 years ago in May 2018, I encountered a lot of difficulties. But fortunately, RAN5 experts like Stoyan, Olivier, Leif, Jacob, Rasheed, Ingo, Chunying, Xiaozhong, Ankit, Yogesh... are very friendly and warm-hearted, you helped me a lot about the 3GU issues, PRD13 rules, how to use the meeting reflector properly, how to create a new WID...

Thank you very much, "His 3GPP Excellency, Stoyan Baev"! Wish you a relax and good life in the future! and wish we can meet some time in the future!

### **8 – Sporton International Inc**

Retire is just a word, it doesn't mean you will leave RAN5, right? To be honest, I don't have many F2F discussion discussion with you, but luckily I can post messages here to wish you will have a good and healthy life after retiring.

**9 – Samsung Electronics Co.**

”His 3GPP Excellency, Stoyan Baev”, you have been my good friend and great colleague since we met first time. You have made tremendous contribution not only for conformance testing standards in RAN5/GERAN3/GCF but also for Samsung. Having conversation about life, family, and others over nice dinner and drink has always been fun. It is very hard to admit that it is time for you to retire. On the other hand, I am sure that you will know how to enjoy life after retirement without headaches about RAN5 work. :-)

Once again, thank you for your excellent work you have done so far. I wish you all the best for the next phase of your life. We can talk more over nice dinner and wine in the next year. - Juho Lee

**10 – CAICT**

I’ve only known you for 3 years more, and you are always full of energy to me. Thanks for all your good comments and suggestions during the past three years. Wish you a wonderful enjoyable future life.—  
Yufeng

**11 – Qualcomm Technologies Int**

It would be incomprehensible to imagine a Ran-5 room without you Stoyan, wishing you a happy retirement. Thanks for your support and inputs on various discussions over the years.

Mayur

**12 – Orange**

It’s really very sad to not have a F2F meeting to share with you a last glass of wine after a busy meeting ;) I remember my first time in RAN5 hearing someone saying “Man in black” I was a bit surprised .. waiting for a body guard or sort of.. :) :) be sure I’m not disappointed !!!

So congratulation for this new life experience that I hope you will spend time with people you care about and doing things that you love.

And if you put as much effort enjoying your retirement as you have working in RAN5, I’m sure it will be a great experience that I hope hear from it to be inspired :):)

I wish you a healthy and happy retirement

Hajer

**13 – Ericsson LM**

It was a pleasure to work with you. I feel lucky I had chance of meeting you. We were seated in different rooms but still, thanks to your tools my life was easier - especially at the beginning of my 3GPP life when not all rules were followed ;)

I wish you happy retirement. / Jakub

**14 – Ericsson France S.A.S**

The group will certainly miss your outstanding argumentation skills, but I have often regretted including you in RF discussions when it turned out you had a different view than I expected.

Wish you a comfortable retirement!

/Mikael Zirén

### **15 – ANRITSU LTD**

Thank you for detailed explanation of PRD rules for time again and again. Not only PRD, enjoyed long technical discussions with you and excellent skills to represent your views.

RAN5 will definitely miss your support and presence. Have a great time during the retirement and time to explore other heartfelt passions of life.

- Narendra

### **16 – China Telecommunications**

Dear Stoyan, although I just came into RAN5 last year and still didn't have a chance to meet you F2F, but we worked together both in RAN5 and GCF. Every RAN5 meeting you made a lot of contributions and made the meeting much more easier. Thanks for your excellent job and also for the very useful help for me, you will always be a shining star in RAN5.

Wish you enjoy the relaxed retirement life and maybe it's time to plan a cool travel all around the world ;)

Jing zhao

### **17 – PCTEST Engineering Lab**

Hello Stoyan, It has truly been a pleasure to get to know you and to work with you for these past 12 years. As I came into the RAN5 Meeting in 2010 you were one of the first persons that I met. I recall the bus trip we took with Amy T in Spain to the Castle of Granada. Traveling is a major part of 3GPP and RAN meetings. I hope you haven't burnt out on traveling as there are so many other locations (even in the USA) for you to see. When on the East Coast be sure to call me. All the best to you in your retirement. Wish you the chance to relax, and put your toes in the water and your butt in the sand. Enjoy life.

Steve Coston

### **18 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

Dear Stoyan,

Its been several years knowing you and over the years your contribution to RAN5 has been enormous and words can't describe the efforts you have put into improving the RAN5 specs and the process. Thank you very much for your contribution and now its time to relax and enjoy your life.

Ram, R&S

### **19 – ETSI**

Dear Stoyan, Thank you for your hard work and strong commitment to RAN5 and for ensuring the highest quality of our test specifications, both from a technical as well as editorial point of view. RAN5 should rename PRD13 the "Stoyan's guide to editorial excellency"! Think about giving some Masterclass every now and then. As I met Shicheng a few days ago, he told me the story on how you started working with him on testing and conformance, I am sure at that time you did not realize what you were stepping into for so many years! The technical debates in the RAN5 room could be fierce at time, but the coffee break discussions and the dinners were always fun and good time spent. So here it is, the next RAN5 meeting will feel very strange indeed for all of us. But I am sure that in three months time, you will already have moved on and started your new life far away from CRs, meeting handling (ok this one maybe you should still help us!), PRD13/17/19/... If you have not yet bought a 5G phone, please make sure it is GCF & PTCRB certified, so that you will continue to carry a bit of RAN5 with you.

Happy retirement life Stoyan!!

Olivier Genoud (ETSI MCC TF160)

**20 – TELECOM ITALIA S.p.A.**

Dear Stoyan, since the first meeting you have always been a reference point for me, first as secretary, second as delegate and meeting handling tool designer, last but not least as person and friend, one of the most emphatic I met in RAN5. It was often not necessary to speak, and one smile was more than enough. Thank you so much for all you gave to me and all the group. It will remain with me all the memories of very nice moments of our professional and private life we shared. With the hope, even after retirement, to share more, we don't live so far away. I wish the best, Max

**21 – Sierra Wireless**

Old Friend, so much to say that I decided not to, unless you come and enjoy the sun of the French Riviera once in a while :)

Remi

**22 – Motorola Mobility Germany GmbH**

Stoyan, No words can justify your contribution to Test and certification Industry. Even though there are several note worthy contributions like PRD's, CR formatting etc. but your 'Meeting Handling' is something made meetings manageable and efficient. Not sure what would be RAN5 and CAG meetings without meeting handling. Thanks for all your help. We will miss you immensely and hope to meet you physically and say a big thankyou. Cheers.

**23 – ANRITSU LTD**

Dear Stoyan,

Thanks for all the discussions, I have learned a lot from you!

I'm really happy for you as the best time of your life is about to start. You can spend more time with your family and on things that can make you happy.

Best wishes!

Virginie Bardaux (MCC TF160)

**24 – WE Certification Oy**

Dear Stoyan, my friend. I cannot believe I'm posting a note to your retirement card. I think that the meetings where you were part of ETSI (and starting your legendary meeting handling work:-)) were something like yesterday and cannot believe that they actually date back some 16 years (just checked). Thank you for the countless great contributions you have made and even more for being such a great person in all of your roles. Have a great retirement, hope to meet physically again. If we do, the drinks are on me. Thanks, -Aleksi

**25 – Qualcomm CDMA Technologies**

Dear Stoyan - My best wishes for a truly fulfilled purposeful retirement. I am just having hard time comprehending how our future meetings will be like without your presence. Personally, I want to thank you for being so kind and patient, showing me the ropes in RAN5. I still remember my first meeting in 2015 (Anaheim), Shubhang introduced us and he spoke greatly about you. In coming years, I learned why everyone hold you with such regards.

Damn this COVID, you deserve a grand going away in-person party so we can all wish you well.

Please keep us updated on post RAN5 life, we should have PRD type document from you every other meeting. You will be certainly missed (a lot!). Thanks Yogesh T

#### **26 – Vodafone GmbH**

Dear Stoyan, now the time has come and you are finally going to retire and to leave RAN5. It will be a strange feeling running upcoming meetings without our "man in black". It is a pity that we cannot celebrate your retirement f2f - I hope to meet you again!

I would like to thank you for your valuable contributions, discussions and of course the afterwork dinner and wines :-)

I wish you all the best for your retirement! Enjoy that time, do whatever makes you happy and stay healthy!!

Thanks, Petra R.

#### **27 – Keysight Technologies UK Ltd**

Dear Stoyan, Thank you for all your help, advice, support and the occasional heated discussion :-) over the years. I have learnt a lot and RAN5 will not be the same without your knowledge and commitment. I wish you all the best in this next stage in your life. Happy retirement! Hellen Saunders (MCC TF160)

#### **28 – HuaWei Technologies Co.**

Dear Stoyan, it's very hard to imagine a RAN5 meeting without you. I learned so much from you, not only technical contents, but also how to live a passionate and colorful life. I'm really looking forward to seeing you again when we can travel again. I believe you will have the most perfect retirement life. Wish you and family happy and gratified every day. – Chunying

#### **29 – Keysight Technologies UK Ltd**

Dear Stoyan, I can't believe this moment is here already. As you can see from all this notes, we are going to miss you A LOT, not only as the marvelous contributor you have been for 3GPP but also for your mentoring to many of us. You are one of the best references we could have had. It seems it was yesterday, when during my first RAN5 meeting in February 2008, we both ended on the stage in the middle of a flamenco show. How many coffee breaks, dinners and wines we could shared since then!! All of them inspiring and addictive ;-). Hence i won't give up and will think that this is not a "Goodbye" but a "See-you-soon". Enjoy your well-deserved retirement. Life starts now!!

All the best,

Flores

#### **30 – KT Corp.**

Dear Stoyan.

Besides your technical commitment and contributions, your voice, your wits, your fashion sense, whatever, your presence in meeting room would be never forgotten.

Hope you to find another great and happy chapter on your life path.

Best Regards,

Chanmin.

**31 – Apple Portugal**

Dear Stoyan,

Even though I did not get a chance to work directly with you many times due to us being in different sub-groups (RF/Signaling), I have indirectly benefited from your years of service and hard work to 3GPP RAN5 by means of the various tools and processes you helped establish. Thank you very much for all your efforts. I wish you a happy retired life and all the best for your future endeavors.

Thanks

Ashwin Mohan

Apple Portugal

**32 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

Dear Stoyan,

I will follow your style here: precise and direct :-) For me you remain the professional man in black, with a big heart, perfectionist and timeless. In all my 3GPP "life", the only thing which remained always the same solidly valuable and constant, are you! So, a kind of 3GPP-Constant :-), which everybody is proud of and thankful for!

I wish you follow the same approach in your next challenges and remain the same authentic and inspirational!

I wish you all the best and hope we can meet sometime around the Alps.

Bledar

**33 – Nokia Corporation**

Dear Stoyan,

Thank you for your guidance and many valuable comments! I will certainly miss your reasoning in the meetings. Happy retirement and all the best in your life!

Best regards

Matti Kangas, Nokia

**34 – Bestelmeyer Consulting**

Hi Stoyan,

although we didn't meet personally - thank you very much for your support, all the detailed corrections and explanations!

I wish you the very best for the future - and most important- stay healthy and enjoy!!!

Waltraud

**35 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

Dear Stoyan,

I would most certainly miss the technical discussions ... learned a lot during those. I wish you all the best for the next adventure :-)

Parikshit ( R&S, MCCTF160)

**36 – Qualcomm Technologies Int**

Dear Stoyan,

Wish you a very happy retired life..Thanks for all the discussions we had especially on test environments and test function CRs from LTE days. Meeting handling wouldn't have been smooth and efficient without your meeting handling xls. You will be certainly missed in our future meetings – Vijay Balsubramanian

**37 – adare GmbH**

Dear Stoyan, although I haven't had a chance to meet you in person, I've always admired your professionalism and a commitment to achieve correct argued decisions. I wish your next adventures to bring you new exciting challenges and positive experiences in overcoming them.

Take care

Marija

**38 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

Dear Stoyan,

It has always been a pleasure to discuss with you.

RAN5 will not be the same without you.

I wish you a happy retirement and all the best for this new phase in your life.

Best regards,

Edwin, Rohde & Schwarz

**39 – ANRITSU LTD**

Dear Stoyan,

don't look back but forward to your new life without RAN5 and 3GPP - and enjoy it.

Thanks for all discussions and fights - I will miss it.

All the best for you, stay young and healthy

Wolfgang (MCC160, Anritsu)

**40 – Qualcomm CDMA Technologies**

Dear Stoyan,

I cant believe this moment is here and cant imagine how the RAN5 meeting will look like without your good-humored - mostly tolerant ;-) presence, needless to say the technical expertise. I want to thank you for being so kind and patient when guiding me through various and countless RAN5 details and procedures. We had just a few meetings together - 7 to be precise, but I have always looked upto you for your professionalism and your commitment to RAN5. I wish you a happy hard-earned and a purposeful retirement and hope to see you in 2022 when F2F meetings start (I vote for RENO!)

**41 – China Mobile Com. Corporation**

Hi Stoyan, Best wishes for the furture! Enjoy your retired life! Luting

**42 – NIST**

Howdy Stoyan,

I just want to say thank you for all your help over the years! I think between the millions of questions I asked and the millions of revisions you asked me to make, I probably took up a huge amount of your time the last several years. You were patient, sometimes a little hard (!!), but always fair. I certainly appreciate your insight. And, I can easily say that RAN5 will miss you. I hope you have many great years in retirement. And maybe our paths will cross again! Until then, Happy Trails, my friend!

-Jason, NIST

**43 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

Dear Stoyan,

also from my side I want to thank you for all the good discussions we had during the meeting, but more importantly during the "offline" sessions when the meeting days were over.

I wish you all the best for your future and hope you will enjoy your retirement.

I am also sending the best wishes from Siegfried Friesinger, with whom I discussed your retirement briefly, since he knows you way longer than I do.

Best regards,

Niels

**44 – Dish Network**

Couldn't agree more with Max.:) 2008 the journey began when there was a guy wearing black sitting on the secretary chair, in Malaga. The rest is history. :D We've exchanged thoughts prior to this, but wanted to say my best as well. Thanks for all the help, professional expertise, constructive discussions, and above all the friendship. Cheers, Jussi

**45 – Ericsson LM**

Dear Stoyan,

It has been a pleasure working with you. From day one we met you've provided kindness and always constructive help. Available at any time with endless energy. By the way, we met the first time 2006 in Edinburgh.

Take care and best regards,

Bo Jönsson

**46 – Qualcomm CDMA Technologies**

Thanks Stoyan for your invaluable contributions to RAN5. Its always a great learning experience discussing, hearing your views on RAN5 topics - definitely gives a broader perspective. Your presence will surely be missed.

Wish you a very happy and peaceful retirement life.

**47 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

Dear Stoyan,

Your contributions to 3GPP RAN5 and many other industry certification efforts have been greatly appreciated and will be sorely missed. You have always been very willing to help delegates navigate the

complexities associated with producing quality test specifications (myself being included in that group). I am very disappointed that we were not able to give you a proper celebration for your 3GPP Excellence award and, now, we will not be able to give you a proper goodbye in a face-to-face setting. Let's hope for a return to F2F meetings in 2022 and the possibility of meeting up at a future 3GPP meeting in the EU where we can enjoy some free time to celebrate.

Best of wishes to you and enjoy your retirement! Ron Borsato (AT&T)

#### **48 – NTT DOCOMO INC.**

Dear Stoyan,

This short form is not enough to appreciate your contribution and kindness support to all members.

Your sharp eyes and various knowledge made many papers "Clear to understand" and "Clean to see".

We wish your great future staying health!

Masahiro (DOCOMO)

#### **49 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

Dear Stoyan - What have you done? Leaving us for a SECOND time, my friend! I am getting this dim suspicion that you really don't like us ;-) ... joking, joking - haha. You are the Man in Black - you will be BACK. I just know it. But in all seriousness, I wish you ALL THE VERY BEST and enjoy all the things that you had to put on the back burner while making certain that 3GPP and especially RAN5 became the smooth, efficient standards machine, thanks in large part to you. You will obviously be missed. But we all look forward to seeing you when you are able to visit, and most importantly to hang out, enjoy a favorite libation and have animated discussions. Thank you immensely for being a part of our lives. With great affection, your friend - Sharat Chander.

#### **50 – ETSI**

Dear Stoyan,

so.. U made it! Time flies! I remember my first encounter was a writing in ETSI on a board saying 'Stoyan was here'! I later discovered that this marvelous guy basically had done everything, been everywhere, what you can do in a career in 3GPP! Either as a project manager, or as a chair, or a delegate..

Apart from endless help and guidance on document issues for colleagues and delegates, conversations on history and philosophy, also things could happen like having breakfast in Sophia (Bulgaria, not Antipolis) next to U.S. movie stars..! Yes, that's the type of experience you could expect knowing him.

So now it's time to wish you a happy change to enjoy the nice things in life! Cheers and all the best my friend!

Ingo

#### **51 – ETSI**

..Welcome to the club! :-)

Paolo

#### **52 – China Unicom**

I still remember Stoyan's kind help to my first terrible draft TS 38.521-1 v0.1.0, I was shocked by the 2 pages long editorial comments, and Stoyan really check every small format issue even a space in my draft TS! Stoyan has made such a great contribution to RAN5. Farewell, Stoyan, wish you have an happy retire life and hope to see you again!—Yu Shi

**53 – HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES Co. Ltd.**

When I came into RAN5 meeting 3 years ago in May 2018, I encountered a lot of difficulties. But fortunately, RAN5 experts like Stoyan, Olivier, Leif, Jacob, Rasheed, Ingo, Chunying, Xiaozhong, Ankit, Yogesh... are very friendly and warm-hearted, you helped me a lot about the 3GU issues, PRD13 rules, how to use the meeting reflector properly, how to create a new WID...

Thank you very much, "His 3GPP Excellency, Stoyan Baev"! Wish you a relax and good life in the future! and wish we can meet some time in the future!

Yuchun Wu from Hisilicon

**54 – Ericsson LM**

Enjoy your retirement Stoyan! You will certainly be missed in RAN5.

Best Regards

Petter Karlsson

**55 – Ericsson LM**

Stoyan!

Thanks for all the hard work, valuable comments, and feedback. Saying you will be missed is an understatement!

Remember some good advice you gave me as a newly elected RF/RRM vice-chair many, many years ago. Those really helped me in the role as a meeting convenor and obviously in the end helped the RAN5 group as a whole.

Don't forget to have fun in your new role post-3GPP!

I wonder if the "front middle aisle seat to the left" in the main RAN5 meeting room will forever be reserved for you even in the future? Hope so ☐

B.R

//Fredrik

**56 – HiSilicon Technologies Co. Ltd**

Dear Stoyan,

When I became a SIG delegate two years ago, plenty of specifications, comments and format issues give me headaches. Appreciate your patient, clear explanation and kindly help to me! Honestly, I really enjoy reading your email, even though that means I need to prepare revisions. Sometimes, it contains interesting metaphors, sometimes witty comments and reply. There's still a lot to learn from you, not only technology, but also professionalism, patience, sense of humor...

Wish you happy retirement and enjoy life!☐

Zhaobing(Huawei, Hisilicon)

**57 – Motorola Mobility UK Ltd.**

Dear Stoyan - I cannot express in words how grateful RAN5 is for your many years of dedicated and exemplary service to RAN5. As a Chair, I see you as a role model RAN5 delegate always willing to volunteer and do more. I wish and hope younger brigades in RAN5 will take up the challenge and to fill the huge hole left behind with your departure. Needless to say without your tools I would have given up my Chair position long time ago. I can confidently say you have played a big part through the PRDs and other ways in changing the culture and way of working of RAN5. You have left a legacy in RAN5 which am sure will be remembered for ever!

I am pleased you are able to stop work and start retirement in your own chosen terms and timelines. Wishing you a healthy and enjoyable retirement life. Looking forward to hear first hand retirement stories during the F2F farewell in 2022! Take Care. All the best!

Jacob John

**58 – MediaTek Inc.**

Dear Stoyan,

Sad to know that you are going to leave RAN5, but also happy to know that you will have more time with your family and to do anything you want.

Thank you for being so kind, patient and fair in the past years, your presence, your voice and your mails will be certainly missed.

Wish you an interesting retirement and all the best for you.

Daiwei

**2.2 Advice on retirement**

If you have specific advice for Stoyan on his retirement, please add it here.

**Feedback Form 2: Advice on retirement**

**1 – Spirent Communications**

How about doing some travel? Or perhaps not! Richard C

**2 – Bureau Veritas**

Travel around the world and stop by Taiwan for drink and sightseeing? – Amy T

**3 – Orange**

Have a Walk of 950km and see my village Tregastel :)... I will be happy to offer you a glass of Cider—  
Hajer Khanfir

**4 – Ericsson LM**

Once you are used to travel you will travel, I guess. Anyhow, once in a while you can synchronize your time and place with <https://portal.3gpp.org/?tbid=373&SubTB=657#/55930-meetings>

/Jakub

**5 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

I am a big fan of "oogway" and he says "There are no accidents" and "One often meets his destiny on the road he takes to avoid it". So enjoy your new journey.

Ram, R&S

**6 – Sierra Wireless**

Anytime you dream of a shower after 10:00 PM, take a plane and fly away !

**7 – Qualcomm CDMA Technologies**

San Diego has a little bit of everything, you are always welcome :-)

**8 – Sporton International Inc**

Asia is a good area, so please to plan your travel to go Asia!

Ivan Cheng

**9 – Keysight Technologies UK Ltd**

I really think that we don't need to recommend visiting the south of Spain. You already know and appreciate what you can find there. Don't hesitate to contact us whenever you get into this area.

Flores

**10 – Samsung Electronics Co.**

Enjoy good wine but not too much! - Juho Lee

**11 – Apple Portugal**

Dear Stoyan,

Even though I did not get a chance to work directly with you many times due to us being in different sub-groups (RF/Signaling), I have indirectly benefited from your years of service and hard work to 3GPP RAN5 by means of the various tools and processes you helped establish. Thank you very much for all your efforts. I wish you a happy retired life and all the best for your future endeavors.

Thanks

Ashwin Mohan

Apple Portugal

**12 – Apple AB**

Dear Stoyan,

Nothing else can compare to stay home and get away from 3GPP works day and night. Wish you the best in your retirement.

Best,

Wisuit (Apple)

**13 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

I completely agree with Juho that you should take the opportunity to enjoy good wine and also visit many wineries to immerse yourself in the experience. However, you also need to keep enjoying good coffee and this will be easier to do than taking coffee break in Reno.

**14 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

See what Phil Brown is doing ... and do the opposite! :-)) I kid Phil. My main advice on your retirement, dear Stoyan, is to be very strong and not succumb to the temptation to return to work. Start wearing Hawaiian shirts, Bermuda shorts, flip-flops, Panama hat, Ray-ban sunglasses. Go to the beach, sip a nice drink, watch sunsets and just chill. You have earned the right to RELAX! Wishing you the best in all you desire. Your friend, Sharat Chander (AT&T)

**15 – HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES Co. Ltd.**

Whenever you come to China, please call my phone +86-13681002780, It will be very happy to visit beautiful places and try many delicious foods with you!

Yuchun Wu from Hisilicon

**16 – Ericsson LM**

When (not if) you come to Stockholm in your future travels, let's have a coffee!

//Fredrik

**17 – Motorola Mobility UK Ltd.**

I know you and many other delegates are keen to have a RAN5 meeting down under, a wish that I haven't been able to fulfill to date. Now it is time for you to consider a personal trip to Aussie land!

## 2.3 Plans for a face-to-face get-together in 2022

If you have ideas for a face-to-face farewell get-together in 2022 please add it here.

### Feedback Form 3: Plans for a face-to-face get-together in 2022

**1 – Spirent Communications**

Let's hope we can catch up in H1 2022! Richard C

**2 – Qualcomm Incorporated**

Really glad you have given a more serious thought, to allow us all to see you in a future F2F RAN5 meet in Europe post-CoVID ( hopefully in 2022)!- Pradeep G

**3 – Bureau Veritas**

Somewhere in Europe to meet in 2022? Or I might take long holiday to visit you when the travel business return to normal. :-) Amy T

**4 – Ericsson LM**

I've heard this place is cool:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reno,\\_Nevada](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reno,_Nevada)

;)/Jakub

**5 – HuaWei Technologies Co.**

You might be too busy before and after the f2f meeting as so many people are willing to meet you. :-)

**6 – CATT**

More than 15 years just flying by. Wish you could enjoy your retiring life and see you f2f sometime if possible. :)

**7 – Samsung Electronics Co.**

F2F farewell in RAN5 should certainly be planned. In addition, please consider coming to a RAN plenary meeting in Europe for a good party. - Juho Lee

**8 – Keysight Technologies UK Ltd**

You are leaving such a big hole in RAN5 which will be very hard to fill not least as a mentor to the new entrants and old ones as well :-). It is sad that we are not able to say good bye to you in person but hope that can materialize. Wish you all the best for your retirement, hope to keep in touch – Mohit Kanchan

**9 – Keysight Technologies UK Ltd**

Awaiting comments from you now, i have not followed PRD and posted comment in the wrong section :-)  
It was meant for Section 2.1.

Hope you can make one of the Europe meeting in 2022 for a f2f interaction – Mohit Kanchan

**10 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

Hopefully, we will get to Athens in February 2022 but it may not be possible given travel policies. Let's plan on meeting in Europe at the August meeting. Ron Borsato

**11 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

Dear Stoyan - What have you done? Leaving us for a SECOND time, my friend! I am getting this dim suspicion that you really don't like us ;-)) ... joking, joking - haha. You are the Man in Black - you will be BACK. I just know it. But in all seriousness, I wish you ALL THE VERY BEST and enjoy all the things that you had to put on the back burner while making certain that 3GPP and especially RAN5 became the smooth, efficient standards machine, thanks in large part to you. You will obviously be missed. But we all look forward to seeing you when you are able to visit, and most importantly to hang out, enjoy a favorite libation and have animated discussions. Thank you immesely for being a part of our lives. With great affection, your friend - Sharat Chander.

**12 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

Oops, sorry - wrong post (above). I echo Ron's comments. Looking forward to seeing you again, Stoyan.  
Cheers, Sharat

**13 – ETSI**

a meeting in ETSI, or at the beach nearby, is just a few hrs away!  
 (sounds like a rhyme..)  
 Ingo

**14 – HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES Co. Ltd.**

Hi, Stoyan, I'm looking forward on your PRD-13 of retire life, I would like to book one and willing to pay in advance, because I'm sure that would be a very useful and very high quality one.  
 Yuchun Wu from Hisilicon

**15 – Motorola Mobility UK Ltd.**

RAN5 Leadership Team is fully committed to hold a F2F farewell in 2022 either in Athens or Toulouse.

**2.4 Any other business**

Any other comments go here!

**Feedback Form 4: AoB****1 – Spirent Communications**

I hope you are going to set up a "RAN 5 Help Line" for questions after you retire! Richard C

**2 – Qualcomm Incorporated**

We definitely need a Stoyan RAN5 Help-line to consult on RAN5 'things' w.r.t MH, PRD's , spec writing , macros etc. , (the list is never ending) , else there will be a knock on your door (in Switzerland or where ever you would be enjoying that beer ;) ).– Pradeep G

**3 – HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES Co. Ltd.**

Definitely needed, the help-line maybe too hot that make Stoyan decide to go back to RAN5:)

**4 – Orange**

As in frensh.. ce n'est qu'un Aurevoir... :)

**5 – ROHDE & SCHWARZ**

surely we have to have a RAN5 law("Baev Facrot"), that every RAN5 colleagues SHALL follow before submitting the CRs ;-)

**6 – ZTE Corporation**

Dear Stoyan, thank you for providing us with technical guidance with your rich experience in 3GPP. You are a respectable technical expert. Wish you good health, good luck and much happiness throughout the future time :-)  
 Zhifeng Ma

**7 – MediaTek Inc.**

Dear Stoyan, I would have loved to say farewell to you in person. You will be greatly missed! I believe I have spent more in person time with you and the other long term RAN5 delegates than with any other colleague in the past 15 years. I wish you a prosperous and happy retirement!

x Eniko

**8 – AT&T GNS Belgium SPRL**

I echo Richard Catmur's excellent suggestion ... when you're not enjoying yourself, maybe you can share your vast wealth of knowledge with the World!! But don't let it engulf you; always ensure you reserve time for your happiness and relaxation. - Sharat C. (AT&T)

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