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1 Main events since last meeting

In the period October 2003 (PCG#11) to April 2004 (PCG#14) TSG-GERAN have held two TSG-GERAN plenary meeting, TSG-GERAN#17 in 17 – 21 November 2003 in Budapest, Hungary and TSG-GERAN#18 2 – 6 February 2004 in Reykjavik, Iceland. Further to TSG-GERAN plenaries, a number of meetings of the TSG-GERAN working groups and ad-hoc meetings have taken place.

The internal structure of TSG GERAN is unchanged since TSG GERAN#14 and the following working groups are established:

TSG GERAN WG1 - Radio Aspects, Base Station Testing and O&M

TSG GERAN WG2 - Protocol Aspects

TSG GERAN WG3 - Terminal Testing

This structure is well functioning and the terms of references for the TSG GERAN Working Groups are unchanged since TSG GERAN#15.

2 Releases

No major problems have been found in relation to Release 4 and TSG GERAN therefore considers release 4 stabile. It is perhaps worth recalling that regarding earlier releases TSG-GERAN have issued a technical specification documenting very late changes to the Release 97 and Release 98 specifications for GPRS. This in order to ensure that documentation of the behaviour already existing mobiles exist when it has been found necessary to update the specifications for Release 97 and Release 98. For Release 5 the key novelties are support for voice on 8-PSK channels full rate and half rate. Support for AMR-WB and support of lu interface between the GERAN and the Core Network with the associated protocol stacks to the mobile etc. Release 5 is considered stable except for usual correction phase following introduction of major items in the specifications.

As reported earlier TSG GERAN are looking into performing enhancements to the A/Gb mode of operation in order to be able to provide (a subset of) IMS services over the A/Gb interfaces and thereby enable the IMS service on a larger base of GSM legacy networks. Originally TSG GERAN decided to perform a feasibility study on the subject of A/Gb-mode enhancement in order better to plan

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for any such enhancement as well as evaluating the interaction with lu-mode. This feasibility study proceeded and some work items, such as support of multiple TBF, streaming QoS was early spun off. The main item for which feasibility was evaluated and debated longest was the potential for provision of conversational class services in A/Gb mode. TSG GERAN is now also progressing this part of the work rapidly

Of other key activities for the next release(s) can be mentioned the ongoing feasibility study of Single Antenna Interference Cancellation (SAIC) and Flexible Layer One. TSG GERAN is also working on MBMS and will participate in a workshop with TSG SA WG1, WG2 & WG4 and TSG RAN WGs to progress the MBMS work.

As reported earlier TSG GERAN have elaborated a quite detailed work plan utilizing the Feature, Building Block and Work Task philosophy as used by the other TSGs. This work plan has following been integrated in the overall 3GPP work plan. TSG-GERAN are keeping its work item updated, in order to ensure that the correctly reflect the planned work and align with the general structure in the overall 3GPP work plan.

3 Management issues

The leadership of TSG GERAN is unchanged in the period, except that a new TSG GERAN Working Group 2 chairman – Diana Edwin, Siemens - was elected in November, when José Luis Carrizo Martínez, Vodafone step down at the end of his terms of office. The structure is and as follows:

TSG GERAN Chairman Niels Peter Skov Andersen, Motorola A/S

TSG GERAN Vice Chariman Marc Grant, Cingular TSG GERAN Vice Chairman Michael Färber, Siemens

TSG GERAN WG1 Chairman Niels Peter Skov Andersen, Motorola A/S

TSG GERAN WG2 Chairman

TSG GERAN WG3 Convenor Ilya Gonorovsky, Motorola Ltd

The support team for TSG GERAN has been adjusted to reflect the changed structure, ie., there is only need for three different MCC secretaries to support TSG GERAN. However, this has not impacted the overall requirement for support to update specifications etc. More generally TSG GERAN believes that the support requirement for 2005 can be considered as being the same as for 2003/2004.

Annex I: Detailed Work Progamme for TSG GERAN

Work Plan for 3GPP TSG GERAN - Reviewed at TSG GERAN #18

This list reflects the open work items running under the responsibility of TSG GERAN.

Feature	Building block	Work task	Level of complet ion	Start Date	Date of completion	Status
GERAN improvements 2 (GEIMP2) GP-012812	Gb enhancements GP-000436	Intra BSC NACC		Nov 2000	June 2001	Ready for R4. Closed
	MS conformance test for Intra BSC NACC GP-012811	Changes in 51.010	100%	Nov 2001	November 2003	Complete d at GERAN #17
Alignment of 3G functional split and lu	GERAN user / control plane (GER3GAL-	Alignment with UMTS bearer concept Stage 2		Aug 2000	Jun 2001	Ready for R5.
(GER3GAL)	GUCOPL)	Adoption of the UTRAN PDCP			Dec 2001	
GP-021256	GP-021255	Development of RLC / MAC			Aug 2002	
		Development of GERAN RRC			Jun 2002	
		Ciphering and integrity protection concept paper		-	Apr 2002	
		Multiple TBF or equivalent Concept paper			Feb 2002	
		Paging concept			Apr 2002	-
		Dedicated physical subchannels. Includes traffic and control channels			Nov 2001	
		Iu support and broadcast concept			Apr 2002	
		Impact of using RLC instead of LAPDm concept			Feb 2002	
		Contention resolution, mobile-station identity, and access concept			Nov 2001	
		PDCP concept			Apr 2002	
		Downlink delayed TBF release			Aug 2002	
		Add transparent RLC Concept			Feb 2002	
		Handover concept			Feb 2002	

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	Physical layer alignment with UMTS bearer concept Control channels in 45.003 Receiver performance in 45.005 for PDTCH/TCH and control channels			Jun 2001	
lu rg interface (GER3GAL-lurg) GP-010428	Inter BSS interface Identification of requirements Stage 2 Adoption of relevant parts from Iu r Complementation with GERAN specifics New stage 3		Nov 2000	Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
	Inter BSS-RNS interface Identification of requirements Stage 2 Adoption of relevant parts from lu r Complementation with GERAN specifics New stage 3			Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
Voice over GERAN PS and CS concept GP-021252	Voice over GERAN PS and CS concept • Architecture for A, lu cs and lu ps • Handover • RTP payload		Nov 2000	Nov 2001	Ready for R5. Closed
GERAN MS Conformance test for GERAN interface evolution GP-021253	MS test	0%	August 2003	June 2004	Not started
GERAN BTS Conformance test for GERAN interface evolution GP-021254	BTS test	0%	August 2003	June 2004	Not started

Enhancement of Broadcast and	Support of the Multimedia Broadcast	Impact on the logical and physical channels	25%	November 2002	June 2004	Started
Introduction of Multicast	Multicast Service (MBMS)	Simultaneous support of MBMS services				
(in responsibility of TSG SA1)	in GERAN (MBMS- GERAN)	Simultaneous support of MBMS and non-MBMS services				
	GP-022566	Resynchronisation at cell change				
		Decision making process between point-to-point or point-to-multipoint configurations				
		MBMS channel allocation procedures to multiple MSs				
		Changes to the Gb interface				
		GERAN-specific changes to the lu-ps interface				
		Interaction between MBMS and lu-flex				
		Security aspects				
		MS conformance tests				
Multiple TBF in A/Gb mode (MULTBF) GP-021263	Multiple TBF in A/Gb mode (MULTBF- Agbmode) GP-021263	 Multiple TBF Concept paper Multiple TBF Stage 2 (43.064) CRs Multiple TBF Stage 3 (44.060) CRs 	100%	April 2002	August 2003	Complete d
	Multiple TBF in A/Gb mode – MS testing GP-022098	MS conformance tests	0%		June 2004	Not Started
Seamless support of streaming services in A/Gb mode	Identification of requirements for streaming GP-022564	Requirements	100%	August 2002	August 2003	Complete d at GERAN #16
(SSStrea) <u>GP-022561</u>	Performance study of cell change mechanisms GP-022562	Performance of NACC Performance of cell change in DTM for the PS domain Handover	100%	August 2002	August 2003	Complete d at GERAN #16
	Reduction of service interruption times and packet loss during mobility procedures GP-022563	Optimisations of existing mechanisms/procedures Inter-system NACC PS Handover (within GERAN and between GERAN and UTRAN) Dependency to other features	100%	January 2003	November 2003	Complete d at GERAN #17
	MS conformance testing GP-023424	MS conformance tests	0%	Septembe r 2003	January 2004	Closed, no work needed.

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Flexible Layer One for GERAN (FLOGER) GP-021018	Realisation of a Flexible Layer One (FLOGER-Real) GP-021019	Technical Report Architecture in 45.001 and 43.051 Multiplexing in 45.002 Channel Coding in 45.003 Performance Requirements in 45.005 Radio subsystem link control in 45.008 Requirements in 44.004	100%	April 2002	April 2004	Started
	Signalling and protocol support for a Flexible Layer One (FLOGER-SigPro) GP-021020	Modifications to RLC/MAC in 44.060 and 44.160 Modifications to RRC in 44.118 and 44.018	80%	October 2002	April 2004	Started
	Security for a Flexible Layer One (FLOGER- SecFLO) GP-021021	Ciphering in 44.160,44.118, 44.060 and 44.018	100%	February 2003	August 2003	Complete d
	GERAN MS Conformance test for the Flexible Layer One (FLOGER- Msconf) GP-021022	MS Test in 51.010	0%	February 2004	June 2004	Not Started
	GERAN BTS Conformance test for the Flexible Layer One (FLOGER- BTSconf) GP-021023	BTS Test in 51.021	0%	February 2004	June 2004	Not Started
Addition of frequency bands to GSM (TAPS) GP-022072	Addition of frequency bands to GSM – Changes to core specs (TAPS-Specs) GP-022073	45.005 New frequency ranges 45.050 Scenarios for new frequencies 24.008 Classmark information elements 45.008 Add frequency ranges 45.001 Add frequency and channels 43.030 Add frequency ranges 43.030 Add frequency ranges 43.032 Add channels to be searched	100%	June 2002	Dec 2002	Ready for Rel-6
	Addition of frequency bands to GSM – Changes for conformance tests (TAPS-Conf) GP-022074	51.010-1 Add testing	0%		November 2004	Not Started

Enhanced Power Control (EPC) GP-012748	Realization of Enhanced power control and signaling support GP-012749	Concept Changes to 43.051 Changes to 44.004 Changes to 44.018 Changes to 48.058 Changes to 45.001 Changes to 45.002			Nov 2001	Ready for Rel 5. Closed
	GERAN MS	Changes to 45.003 Changes to 45.008 MS test	0%		June 2004	Not
	Conformance test for Enhanced Power Control GP-012750					started
	GERAN BTS Conformance test for Enhanced Power Control GP-012751	BTS test	0%		June 2004	Not started
8PSK AMR HR (8PSK-AH) GP-012752	Definition of channel coding, performance requirements and signaling support GP-012753	 Concept Changes to 44.018 Changes to 45.001 Changes to 45.002 Changes to 45.003 Changes to 45.005 Changes to 24.008 Changes to 48.058 		Dec 2001	Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
	GERAN MS Conformance test for 8PSK HR GP-012754	MS test	0%		June 2004	
	GERAN BTS Conformance test for 8PSK HR GP-012755	BTS test	100%		Dec 2002	
Wideband telephony services (UMTS)	Support of WB AMR in GERAN (GAMRWB) GP-000453	GMSK and 8PSK WB FR / HR support Channel coding in 45.003 Signalling for A interface Signalling for lu Link adaptation in 45.009 Receiver performance in 45.005		January 2000	Apr 2002 Nov 2001 Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
	GERAN MS Conformance test for WB AMR	MS test	0%		June 2004	Not started
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	GERAN BTS Conformance test for WB AMR	BTS test	100%		Dec 2002	Closed
	GP-000455					

Location service (UMTS)	LCS interoperability aspects to GERAN GP-000456	Co-ordinated development of GSM LCS Phase 2 and UMTS LCS, S2 and GERAN			Ready for R5. Closed
	Location service for GERAN R4 GP-010932	Work for aligning LCS R4 CN and GERAN			Ready for R4. Closed
	Location Services (LCS) for GERAN in A/Gb Mode GP-011925	 GERAN LCS Stage Two Gb interface support for LCS L3 protocol support for LCS Stage 3 specifications 		Feb. 2002	Ready for Rel-5. Closed
	Location Services (LCS) for GERAN in Iu Mode GP-011926	 GERAN LCS stage 2 Iu interface support for LCS Iur-g interface support for LCS RRC protocol support for LCS Additional impacts on Broadcast of LCS data on packet channels Stage 3 specifications 		Stage 2- GERAN #8 Feb. 2002 Stage 3 – GERAN #9 Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
	GERAN MS Conformance test for LCS (LCS-GERAN- Msconf) GP-000458	 Develop LCS MS test case work plan (Release 98/99/4) Develop LCS MS test cases 	100%	June 2003	Complete d
	GERAN BTS Conformance test for LCS (LCS-GERAN- BTSconf)	 Develop LCS BTS test case work plan (Release 98/99/4) Develop LCS BTS test cases 	0%	June 2004	Work has not started

Single Antenna Receiver Interference Cancellation (SAIC) GP-023400	Single Antenna Receiver Interference Cancellation (SAIC)	Determine feasibility of SAIC for GMSK and 8PSK scenarios under realistic synchronized and nonsynchronized network conditions. Using a single Feasibility Study, both GMSK and 8PSK scenarios will be evaluated individually. Realistic DIR (Dominant-torest of Interference Ratio) levels and distributions based on network simulations and measurements. Robustness against different training sequences. Determine method to detect/indicate SAIC capability.	80%	Nov 2002	April 2004	Ongoing
Uplink TDOA location determination for GSM, CS domain	Uplink TDOA location determination for GSM, CS domain	Addition of U-TDOA in the CS domain	90%	November 2002	April 2004	Started
Uplink TDOA location determination for GPRS, PS domain	Uplink TDOA location determination for GPRS, PS domain	Addition of U-TDOA in the PS domain	5%	June 2003	November 2004	Started
Support of Conversationa I Services in A/Gb mode via the PS domain (SCSAGB)	Creation of a Technical Report (SCSAGB-TR)	Technical Report	100%	Feb 2003	November 2003	Completed
<u>GP-030443</u>	Stage 2 (SCSAGB- Stage2) GP-030445	 PS handover SNDCP/LLC compression Definition of radio resource management functionality Modifications to FLO Radio channel support 	10%	Nov 2003	April 2004	Started

	Radio Channel Support (SCSAGB-RCS) GP-030446	Radio channel support for Conversational QoS Introduction of continuous measurement reporting	0%	Feb 2004	August 2004	Not Started
	Definition of radio resource management functionality (SCSAGB-RRM)	Addition/modification of radio resource management protocol layer	0%	Feb 2004	August 2004	Not Started
	<u>GP-030447</u>					
	PS Handover (SCSAGB-PSH)	BSSGP procedures for change of BSC	0%	Feb 2004	August 2004	Not Started
	GP-030448	Bi-Casting				
		Context transfer				
	Modifications to FLO (SCSAGB-FLO)	FLO specific impacts due to conversational QoS	0%	Feb 2004	August 2004	Not Started
	<u>GP-030449</u>					
Alignment between the test-regimes for GERAN capable MS		Determine the controversial test cases in the different test regimes and align them with 3GPP GERAN test specifications. Such test cases to be added to TS 51.010.	80%	June 2003	April 2004	Started
Advanced Receiver Performance (ARP)	ARP test scenarios	Interference test cases for 45.005	20%	November 2003	April 2004	Started
GP-032819	ARP for GMSK modulated voice services	Performance Requirements in 45.005 Radio subsystem link control in	15%	February 2004	June 2004	Started
	GP-032821	45.008				
	ARP for GPRS and EGPRS MCS1-MCS4	Performance Requirements in 45.005	10%	February 2004	June 2004	Started
	GP-032822	Radio subsystem link control in 45.008				
	ARP Capability signalling	Modification of 24.008 for signalling of MS ARP capability	40%	November 2003	April 2004	Started
	GP-032823					

	GERAN MS Conformance test for ARP GP-032824	MS Test in 51.010	5%	August 2004	November 2004	Started
Reduction of PS service interruption in Dual Transfer Mode (PSintDTM) GP-032548	Reduction of PS service interruption in Dual Transfer Mode / Use case and requirement definition (PSintDTM-Req) GP-032549	Study of use cases and requirements. Areas for investigation are: - Cell change scenarios - CS channel establishment during PS session - CS channel release during PS session	100%	November 2003	April 2004	Started
	Reduction of PS service interruption in Dual Transfer Mode / Performance Study of Current Procedures (PSintDTM-Perf) GP-032550	Analyse performance of the common use cases to determine to what extent improvements are needed to the DTM procedures in GPRS.	100%	November 2003	April 2004	Started
	Reduction of PS service interruption in Dual Transfer Mode / Reduction of service interruption times and packet loss during Dual Transfer Mode and mobility procedures (PSintDTM-Reduct) GP-032551	Investigate changes needed to improve DTM procedures identified in this work item.	5%	February 2004	June 2004	Started
	Reduction of PS service interruption in Dual Transfer Mode / MS Conformance testing	MS Conformance testing (51.010)	0%	June 2004	November 2004	Not started
	Reduction of PS service interruption in Dual Transfer Mode / BTS Conformance testing	BTS Conformance testing	0%	June 2004	November 2004	Not started

Closed work items or building blocks.

Completed or Terminated Work items

This list reflects work items that have been completed or terminated.

Feature	Building block	Work task	Level of complet	Start Date	Date of completio	Status
GERAN/UTRA N interface evolution 1 GP-000481	Evolution of lu ps	Identification of GERAN requirements on lu ps Update of specifications	ion		Nov 2001 Mar 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
GERAN/UTRA N interface evolution 2 GP-010417	Evolution of Iu cs GP-000430	Identification of GERAN requirements on lu cs Update of specifications			Apr 2002 Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
Low chip rate TDD option (UTRAN)	Low chiprate TDD interworking with GERAN GP-000432	Handover and Cell Selection / Reselection to UTRA 1.28Mcps TDD				Ready for R4. Closed
GERAN improvements 1 GP-000433	Gb over IP GP-000434	IP-fication of Gb				Ready for R4. Closed
GERAN improvements 3 GP-010909	Evolution of the transport for A GP-010910	Definition of a new A/Ater Interface Transport Layer option based on the lu Interface Transport Layer Adaptation of the Layer 3 BSSMAP procedures as required.	0%		Dec 2002	Terminate d. Not standardis ed
GERAN Improvements 4 GP-010363	Gb enhancements 2 GP-010363	Stage 2 Stage 3 (changes in 44.060) Definition of enhanced countdown procedure Definition of enhanced TBF release procedure				Ready for R4. Closed
GERAN Inter BSC NACC improvements over the Gb Interface GP-012313	Modification of Gb protocols for GERAN Inter BSC NACC over the Gb interface GP-012314	Stage 3 (changes to) • 48.018			Apr 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
	Modification of core network protocols for GERAN Inter BSC NACC for Gb interface GP-011877	Stage 2 Concept 23.060 change Definition of Inter BSC NACC			Nov 2001 Apr 2002	
		Stage 3 (changes to) • 29.060			7.5. 2002	

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GERAN support for IP multimedia GP-010420	GERAN Header adaptation GP-010421	Header adaptation: Definition of compression for PDCP protocol Conceptual description in stage 2 Necessary changes on stage 3	100%	Sept 2000 Oct 2001 Dec 2002	Ready for Rel-5. Closed
	GERAN Radio access bearer design for IP multimedia GP-010422	MuM control signalling for conversational multimedia services. Identification of requirements Necessary modifications due to SIP	?%	Feb 2002 Dec 2002	Terminate d. Not standardis ed
	GERAN MS Conformance test for support of IP multimedia GP-010424	MS test	0%	Dec 2002	Terminate d. Not standardis ed
	GERAN BTS Conformance test for support of IP multimedia GP-010425	BTS test	0%	Dec 2002	Terminate d. Not standardis ed
Flow control supporting an MS with multiple data flows with	Update of stage 2 specifications	Concept document 23.060 (changes to) Flow Control		June 2002 June 2002	Closed
different QoS over the Gb interface GP-021767	Modification of BSSGP protocol GP-021508	Stage 3 (changes to) 48.018		June 2002	Ready for release 5. Closed
GERAN enhancements for streaming services 1 GP-010429	GERAN enhancements for streaming services 1 GP-010429	Concept RLC protocol enhancement (SDU Discard)		Oct 2001 Nov 2001????	Ready for R5. Closed
GERAN enhancements for streaming services 2 GP-010430	GERAN enhancements for streaming services 2 GP-010430	Usage of ECSD Stage 2 Stage 3 RLC PDU formats MAC header		Jun 2001 Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed
Intra Domain Connection of RAN Nodes to Multiple CN Nodes: Overall System Architecture SA2 Feature	GERAN work for Intra Domain Connection of RAN Nodes to Multiple CN Nodes GP-020492	Stage 2 (changes to) 43.051 Introduction of support for IDNNS in GERAN lu mode Stage 3 (changes to) 48.016 Use of Gb interface concepts when a network applies IDNNS 48.018 Include MSC/VLR identity in CS IMSI paging		Jun 2002	Ready for R5. Closed, accept changes for Gb over IP

Real Time QoS for packet services including VoIP (UTRAN)	HOs: maintenance of real-time QoS while moving between cells in the PLMN including inter- SGSN change and SRNS relocation or possibly other mechanisms (UTRAN) GP-010431	Handover for the packet switched domain Stabile RT handover report 25.936 including header removal Update of stage 2 Update of relevant stage 3 specs		Nov 2001	Closed
Uplink TDOA feasibility study GP-012794	Uplink TDOA feasibility study GP-012794	Performing of a feasibility study		Jun 2002	Closed for R6.
700 MHz spectrum support GP-000449	GERAN support for the 700 MHz band	Signaling support Physical layer definitions Receiver performance and RF budget			Ready for R4. Closed
	GERAN MS Conformance test for 700 MHz band GP-000451	MS test		Jun 2001	Closed
	GERAN BTS Conformance test for GERAN interface evolution GP-000452	BTS test	100%	Dec 2002	Closed
Enhanced A/Gb feasibility study GP-022565	Enhanced A/Gb feasibility study GP-022565	Requirements for the support of conversational services Identification of the different building blocks for the provision of conversational services on the existing A/Gb protocol stack Outline of impact and feasibility of these building blocks and their different solutions Impact on 3GPP architecture and requirement to coordinate with other TSGs (CN, SA) Standardisation effort Dependency to other features	100%	Nov 2002	Closed at GERAN #13

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MS Conformance	MS Conformance	MS Conformance Testing of Dual Transfer Mode	100%	Feb 2003	Closed at GERAN
Testing of Dual Transfer	Testing of Dual Transfer Mode				#14
Mode					
<u>GP-023236</u>					