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### **Work Item Description**

Title

Security Enhancements for Fixed Broadband Access to IMS

**1 3GPP Work Area**

	Radio Access
X	Core Network
	Services

**2 Linked work items**

*None*

**3 Justification**

Release 5 and 6 IMS access security solution was mainly designed for UMTS access networks. Even though the access security solution is access network independent, there are still important use scenarios in which the current solution is difficult or even impossible to use, for example access networks that include NATs, such as fixed broadband access as currently specified in ETSI and ITU-T in the framework of next generation networking (TISPAN-NGN).

Furthermore, IMS security architecture relies partly on underlying network security. The deployment of a NAT traversal between the UE and the P-CSCF causes problems to

apply the adequate security by using the current IPSec solution. The IMS signalling protection solution that traverse NA(P)T is a fundamental need for TISPAN NGN R1.

TISPAN stated that “TISPAN NGN Release 1 priority is for securing IMS for a fixed network, and is independent of any discussion of what mobile operators may or may not mandate for interconnection to their IMS services i.e. the fixed operator has a commercial relationship with the customer, and deploys terminal, network, IMS service and HSS. In this case, we cannot necessarily rely on having a physical UICC to implement the security mechanisms.” However, for 3GPP operators running IMS, the authentication of the IMS subscriber must be based on access to physical UICC.

TSG-S3 has prime responsibility for all security-related specification work in 3GPP. The unity of the security extensions to the IMS security specifications must be preserved and handled in 3GPP SA3. TSG-S3 needs to study if IMS access security solution needs to be extended in order to solve the above problems, and how potential extensions are done.

#### **4 Objective**

The objective with this WI is to further study security requirements and solutions related fixed broadband access to IMS. Special focus is put on an IMS signalling protection solution that traverse NA(P)T and firewall devices. Another objective is to study the other requirements and solutions needed for TISPAN NGN R1. An example of the issues that are not targeted for R1 of TISPAN, but should be within the scope of 3GPP R7 is also to study requirements and need for media protection in IMS, as well as the possible solutions.

3GPP security level shall not be compromised.

Another objective is to study requirements and solutions for IMS security in conjunction with solutions for secure access to the core network which are independent of access networks and applications.

Lawful interception should also be studied in relation to this work.

#### **5 Service Aspects**

yes, the end-user shall be able to access the services located at the home IM-domain wherever the end-user may roam to. It shall also be possible to use different access technology to connect the “IP multimedia CN Subsystem” e.g. xDSL, wireline and Wireless LAN etc.

#### **6 MMI-Aspects**

*yes, visibility and configurability. Issues like visibility of offered security level and user interaction shall be studied.*

#### **7 Charging Aspects**

*none identified*

## 8 Security Aspects

*yes, this WI issues security features*

## 9 Impacts

Affects:	UICC apps	ME	AN	CN	Others
Yes		X		X	
No			X		X
Don't know	X				

## 10 Expected Output and Time scale (to be updated at each plenary)

New specifications						
Spec No.	Title	Prime rsp. WG	2ndary rsp. WG(s)	Presented for information at plenary#	Approved at plenary#	Comments
TR 33.8xx	Feasibility study on IMS Security Extensions	SA3		SA #29	SA #30	The intended purpose of this TR is to collect intermediate solutions for CRs to 33.203. The finalisation of the TR is dependent on the progress of the work both in 3GPP and in TISPAN.
Affected existing specifications						
Spec No.	CR	Subject		Approved at plenary#		Comments
33.203		Access security for IP-based services		SA #30		Adds solutions to meet NGN R1 requirements
33.203		Access security for IP-based services		SA #31		Adds solutions to meet NGN R2 requirements
		Other specifications may be identified as work progresses, e.g. stage 3 specifications		SA #30, SA #32		

## 11 Work item rapporteur(s)

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## 12 Work item leadership

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## 13 Supporting Companies

Ericsson, Nokia, Nortel, Huawei, Rogers Wireless, BT Group

## 14 Classification of the WI (if known)

	Feature (go to 14a)
X	Building Block (go to 14b)
	Work Task (go to 14c)

14b The WI is a Building Block: parent Feature

The parent Feature is “System enhancements for fixed broadband access to IMS”

form change history:  
v1.11.0: includes those changes from v1.8.0 agreed at SP-25.  
v1.10.0: full circle  
v1.9.0: a clean sheet  
v1.8.0: includes comments from SA#24  
v1.7.0: includes comments from RAN, CN and T #24; also includes “early implementation” data  
v1.6.0: includes comments made during review period prior to TSGs#24  
v1.5.0: includes comments made at TSGs#23 (Phoenix)  
v1.4.0: offered to SA#23 for approval  
v1.3.0: offered to CN#23, RAN#23 and T#23 for comments  
DRAFT4 v1.3.0: 2004-03-09: Incorporation of comments from Leaders list  
DRAFT3 v1.3.0: 2004-02-19: Incorporation of comments from MCC members  
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