

**Title:** LS on Request for mutual liaisons between IEEE Media Independent Handover Services Project (IEEE 802.21) and 3GPP

**Response to:** LS (SP-040418) on "Request for mutual liaisons between IEEE Media Independent Handover Services Project (IEEE 802.21) and 3GPP" from IEEE 802.21

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### 1. Overall Description:

3GPP TSG SA would like to thank 802.21 for their letter informing 3GPP that they have started work to enable mechanisms for handover across heterogeneous networks. 3GPP is currently not pursuing any related work. However, scenarios for session continuity between UMTS and WLAN networks have been identified as possible future work.

The following list of working groups within 3GPP contains those, which 3GPP TSG SA believes have the necessary expertise regarding the work that IEEE 802.21 is addressing.

- **3GPP SA1** *Are responsible for the stage 1 requirements for 3GPP features. This is the group to contact regarding issues related to impacts on the user.*
- **3GPP SA2** *Are responsible for the network architecture for 3GPP.*
- **3GPP CN1** *Are responsible for the protocols used between the terminal and the network. In particular this group has responsibility for network selection.*
- **3GPP RAN2** *Are responsible for the UMTS Radio Interface Architecture and Protocols. In particular this group has the expertise with respect to handover algorithms*
- **3GPP GERAN1** *Are responsible for the GSM/GPRS Radio Interface and have expertise related to handover.*

Further information on the scope of the groups can be found at <http://www.3gpp.org/TB/home.htm>

### 2. Actions:

None

### 3. Date of Next Relevant Meetings:

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|-----------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| SA#25     | 13 - 16 Sep 2004    | Palm Springs, USA        |
| SA1#25    | 28 Jun - 2 Jul 2004 | Montreal, Canada         |
| SA2#41    | 16 - 20 Aug 2004    | Montreal, Canada         |
| CN1#35    | 16 - 20 Aug 2004    | Sophia Antipolis, France |
| RAN2#43   | 16 - 20 Aug 2004    | Prague, CZ               |
| GERAN1#20 | 22 - 24 Jun 2004    | Bilbao, Spain            |