

July 20th, 2023

Ms. Susanna Kooistra, Mr. Juha Korhonen ETSI Mobile Competence Center(MCC) 650, Rue des Lucioles Sophia Antipolis France

Letter of support for Mr. Eswar Vutukuri as candidate for 3GPP TSG RAN WG2 Vice Chairman

Dear Ms. Kooistra and Mr. Korhonen,

On behalf of ZTE, I am pleased to nominate Mr. Eswar Vutukuri as a candidate for the position of Vice Chairman of 3GPP TSG RAN WG2. Eswar represents ZTE Corporation, a CCSA member.

Eswar has attended and has been a key contributor in 3GPP for 18 years, in GERAN and then RAN groups. He has represented both mobile device vendors and network vendors in 3GPP with contributions to both control plane and user plane topics in RAN2. He has served as rapporteur of a number of RAN2 work items including 2-step RACH and SDT.

I believe that Eswar will be able to manage the sessions with objectiveness and fairness to all participants, promote discussions and decisions based on technical merit, and promote healthy work environment within the sessions with specific emphasis on keeping the sessions enjoyable.

ZTE is fully committed to support Eswar in his role as Vice Chairman, if elected, and will offer all the necessary resources for him to pursue the relevant RAN WG2 Vice Chairman activities. Eswar is informed about and will be trained in all applicable antitrust and competition laws and regulations. If elected, he will comply with all such laws and regulations while acting in his capacity as RAN WG2 Vice Chairman.

Sincerely yours,

Wang Linhui

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Head of Wireless Standardization and Industry Relations

Vice President



Brief Curriculum Vitae

Eswar Vutukuri

Eswar Vutukuri holds a bachelor's degree in Electronics and Communications Engineering from Nagarjuna University, India and a Master's degree in Communications Engineering from Munich University of Technology, Germany.

Eswar has over 18 years of experience in telecommunications research and standards, working for leading telecom companies including infrastructure vendors and mobile device vendors.

As part of his consultant role at Roke Manor Research in UK, Eswar worked on GERAN standards from 2005 till 2010 (focussing on EGPRS2 and voice enhancements work in GERAN1). Then, with BlackBerry UK limited, he worked on standards for GERAN1, RAN2 and ETSI BRAN from 2010 till 2017 (focussing on LAA, LWA, LWIP and eDDA work items in RAN2). Eswar then joined ZTE UK Limited in 2017, working in RAN2 and RAN plenary on 5G standards. He was rapporteur for a number of RAN2 work items including SDT/MT-SDT and 2-step RACH.

Eswar is based in Havant, United Kingdom and is a keen cricketer, playing for a local cricket club and is a volunteer cricket coach for a local colts cricket team.