

To:
ETSI, Mobile Competence Centre
Ms. Elisabetta Comin
Mr. Bernt Mattsson

January 16th, 2026

CC:
ATIS, Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions
Mr. Iain Sharp

Nomination of candidate for 3GPP TSG SA WG6 Chair

Dear Ms. Comin and Mr. Mattsson

On behalf of InterDigital, I am pleased to nominate **Mr. Atle Monrad** as candidate for 3GPP TSG SA WG6 Chair in the election to be held during SA6#71 in February 2026. Atle is currently serving his first term as Chair of SA WG6 and, during this time, has demonstrated strong leadership by successfully completing Rel-19 in a timely and consensus-driven manner.

Atle has 38 years of experience in the mobile industry and has previously served as chair in 3GPP for a total of 16 years, 6 terms as WG chair and 2 terms as TSG chair and has attended most 3GPP meetings since 2001. Throughout his career, he has consistently demonstrated fairness, cooperation, and a strong commitment to timely and high-quality delivery. His ability to lead groups efficiently to consensus has been key to his success across a wide range of 3GPP activities.

It is my sincere belief that if elected for a second term, Atle will continue to ensure that work in SA WG6 is conducted with the same fairness and will greatly contribute to securing the timely completion of current and future 3GPP projects while maintaining a high level of specifications quality and a productive work environment for the benefit of all involved 3GPP members, especially during this important period that will cover the entire study phase for 6G Application Enablement.

Atle Monrad will represent the Individual Member "InterDigital Communications" and the Project Partner "ATIS". He is fully informed of and will continue to remain up to date and comply with all applicable antitrust and competition laws and regulations in his role as Chair of SA WG6.

By proposing Atle for the position as Chair of SA WG6, InterDigital remains strongly committed to the 3GPP standardization work and will provide all support and resources necessary to pursue his duties as SA6 Chair.

Yours sincerely,



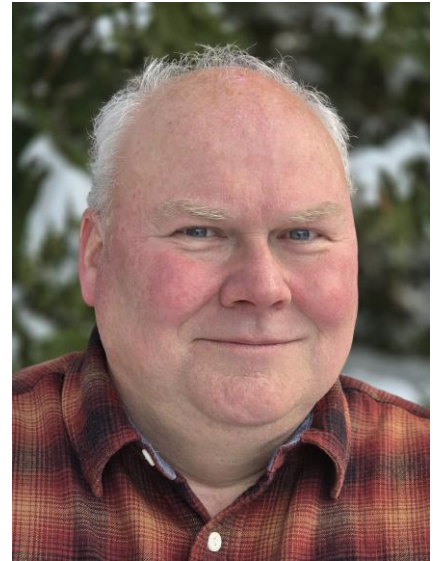
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Brief CV for Atle Monrad

Atle Monrad has 38 years of experience in the wireless industry and has been working for InterDigital in the 3GPP standards community since November 2018.

Atle has worked with standardization, architecture and protocol-design both for development of network nodes and handsets. He has worked in 3GPP and IETF since 2001 and prior to that in ETSI and with the Nordic operators. Throughout his career he has worked with standardization of cellular systems from the NMT 1G system via GSM/GPRS, GPRS, UMTS, LTE, 5G to the recent start of 6G.

Atle has currently served one term as Chair of SA-WG6 and has previously served as Chair of TSG-CT for two terms and Chair of CT-WG1 for 5 terms.



Detailed timeline:

2024 – present	Chair of SA-WG6
2021 – 2024	Vice Chair of TSG-CT
2019 – 2024	Delegate in SA-WG6 and SA-WG1
2015 – 2019	Chair of CT-WG1
2011 – 2015	Chair of TSG-CT and contact towards IETF
2005 – 2011	Chair of CT-WG1
2004 – 2005	Vice Chair of CN-WG1
2001 – 2005	Delegate in CN-WG1 and related IETF working groups
1999 – 2000	Delegate in ETSI SMG7, in combination with study leave
1998	Delegate in ETSI SMG3 WPA and SMG7
1997	GPRS system aspects for core network nodes
1995 – 1996	GSM 900/1800/1900; architectural aspects for core network nodes
1988 – 1994	NMT systems, architecture and protocols
1999 – 2001	M.Sc. degree in Computer Science, University of Agder
1983 – 1986	B.Sc. degree in Electrical Engineering, University College in Agder