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Title:	**Proposed reorganisation of CN working groups**
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TSG_CN working groups are now active since one year and in this period produced excellent results. Nevertheless beside these results organisational aspects have to be considered and because of this some reorganisation of the current working groups is proposed.

Criteria

The following criteria were considered:
a)   coverage of all CN relevant topics by the working groups
b)   Proper size of the WGs
c)   Functional clustering of topics and allocation to working groups
d)   No unnecessary hierarchy in WGs

Functional clusters in CN

Identified functional topics/clusters in CN:
1)   MAP
2)   CAMEL
3)   OSA
4)   Basic call handling
5)   Interworking (ext. Networks)
6)   MM/CC/SM
7)   GTP
8)   SS (Suppl Services)

9)   IP issues

10)   ITU-T coordination

From these clusters derived is the below described working group structure.

New TSG_CN structure after CN#7

WG	TOPIC	Chair-Person	
N1	MM/CC/SM	Hannu Hietalahti	Chair
N2	MAP/GTP / BCH/SS (SS - only maintenance expected)	Yun-Chao Hu	Convenor
N3	Interworking (with external Networks)	Norbert Klehn	Chair
N4	CAMEL	--	Convenor
N5	OSA	--	Convenor
N-itu	ITU-T coordination electronic workstyle??!!	Masami Yabusaki (Ian Park)	Chair
N-IP	ad-hoc!! IP / IP-pre-analysis for other CN WG's Interface to S2 and others	--	Convenor!! – Group Lifetime??
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The main reasons for this is proposal are:

i   Clear separation of N2A and N2B

ii   No new SS-activities expected

iii   IP issues currently too pre-mature to be dedicated to the working groups

iv   Huge workload in CAMEL group
        OSA applies new techniques (CORBA)

v   Project oriented organisation in special areas of CN activities

The lifetime of the N-IP ad hoc activity will depend on the general progress of this "work item". Perhaps this activity can be closed with CN#8 if work is sufficiently clear to be distributed to the working groups.

But until CN#8 the CN working groups will focus on the debugging and completion of R'99 issues.

TSG_CN is invited to endorse/approve the described reorganisation!!

Proposed support arrangements after reorganisation:

CN#	David Boswarthick
N1	Ban Al-Bakri
N2	Franco Settimo
N3	David Boswarthick
N4	Monica Hellman
N5	Monica Hellman
N-itu	none

| N-IP | Ban Al-Bakri |