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Note the term MoU has been taken out.

- **New members:** The following number of members was accepted:
  - GSM 900: 16
  - GSM 1800: 1
  - GSM 1900: 5
  - GSM 900/1800: 1
- Discontinued membership: 1
- Statistics of membership: 347 members in 133 countries, see [www.gsmworld.com](http://www.gsmworld.com)
- Terms and conditions for **Associate Membership** category have been completed.
- A **membership category for 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation** operators has been added, first 3 operators in Finland.
- AT&T has applied for membership operating a network using GPRS and EDGE technology in combination of IS136 core network. Resulting from this there might be some debate on the definition of the GSM Platform.
- **3GPP:** The GSM Association has decided to join 3GPP based on the assumption that all Association members will get access to all TSGs, no matter whether they are member of one of the partner organisation.
- It was agreed to join individual members efforts in GSMA in the area of **3<sup>rd</sup> Generation network management**, in particular for elaboration of **lub and lur** specifications. See also **TSGS#3(99)121**.
- The “commercial” start for **VCS** is scheduled for 14.06.1999. By this date the GSMA will nominate their members of the Supervisory Board. This is considered as a start organisation followed by elections of Board Members after 6 months.
- **TADIG:** TAP3 has been approved and shall be implemented by mid of next year. It is assumed that TAP3 is flexible enough to cater for 3G.

- **SERG:** The new Chairman is Philippe Lucas, Cegetel. Meanwhile focus of work is on 3G activities.
- **IREG:** GSMA IREG work on **GPRS roaming** issues is progressing. **CAMEL roaming** will be addressed by a dedicated working party chaired by Stephan Aprath, MMO.
- **Network selection** as raised by the Australian Regulator will be addressed by a cross-functional team consisting of members of TWG and other appropriate groups. Close Liaison with SMG will be kept and if necessary also to 3GPP TSGs.
- **New Chairman of GSMA** effective from next month: **Michael Stocks, MTN, South Africa.**
- **New Vice Chairman: James Healy, Cook Inlet, USA.**