A Company Support Letter

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Matsushita Communication Industrial supports Dr. Brian Marchent as the position of the Vice-chairman of the TSG-T WG2.
Matsushita Communication Industrial will provide all the necessary support, time and expense for Dr. Marchent to fulfill his responsibilities as Vice-chairman.

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Agenda Item: Election of Chairman and Vice-chairman for TSG-T WG2
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Title: Candidate for Vice-chairman of TSG-T WG2
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Candidate Name :   Brian (Gerald) Marchent
Individual Member: Matsushita Communication Industrial Co., Ltd. , Japan
Partner Organization: ARIB , Japan
Name of the TSG: TSG-T WG2
Position: Vice-chairman

Personal Profile:

Dr Brian Marchent has over 35 years experience in the electronics industry including experience of systems, hardware, software, mathematical modeling, computer simulations, development work, European collaborative research projects and more recently experience of B-ISDN, ATM, GSM, GPRS, IP, GERAN, UTRAN, UMTS. During this period Brian has written numerous internal and external proposals, reports and papers for various technical publications. Over the last 10 years Brian has gained experience of future fixed and mobile communication networks at the system, hardware, RF, software level and standards for future mobile systems.

Brian's interest in mobile systems started towards the end of a 23 year period (1972 to 1996) with Roke Manor Research, UK, (initially part of Plessey and later Siemens). Over the last 6 years at Roke Manor, Brian developed signaling protocols within B-ISDN, based on ATM transport, for the support of mobile systems (UMTS) including involvement in a collaborative European RACE project (MONET). For one year (in 1995) Brian led a group of 14 experts, including representatives from European telecommunication companies, operators and universities. This group developed interworking between UMTS and B-ISDN, including solutions for the transport chain based on ATM, handover and macrodiversity for both TDMA and CDMA radio interfaces.

In 1996 Brian left Siemens to work for Fujitsu Telecom R&D Centre, UK (1996 to 2000). He supported the UTRAN layer 2 and 3 protocols and architecture work in Fujitsu, and attended RAN WG2 and RAN WG3 meetings. He was involved in numerous technical discussion with colleagues (from Europe, Japan and USA) attending other meetings in 3GPP and 3GPP2 (i.e. RAN WG1, SA WG2, SA WG1, CN WG1, SA plenary, RAN plenary). In his last year with Fujitsu Brian was actively involved in the Mobile Wireless Internet Forum (MWIF). This included work on IP in the RAN as a transport option and also concepts for a future "Open RAN Architecture" based on IETF protocols connected to an all IP based Core Network.

Dr Brian Marchent is now working for Matsushita Mobile Communications Development of Europe (MMCDE) supporting the development of standards for current and future mobile terminals within Matsushita including GSM, GPRS, dual mode UMTS/GSM, and mobile multimedia terminals. He also works in conjunction with Matsushita Communication Industrial Co., Ltd., Japan. So far he argues about technical discussion with colleagues in Europe and Japan attending other meetings within 3GPP. Brian has only been with Matsushita less than one year but he expects to be very active within standards groups to support the development of current and future mobile multimedia systems and product opportunities.