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1. Workshop "Assessing the Requirements for Deploying 3G Services"

According to the endorsement of PCG#5 in S.F. and an update of the work in PCG#6 in S.A. the UMTS Forum invited for a workshop "Assessing the Requirements for Deploying 3G Services" on 23-24 April 2001 in Sophia Antipolis. The workshop was set up in order to ensure that the 3G standards will enable services to be developed which meet market requirements. 110 delegates registered, and many items, which require significant further action, were identified and recorded in the documentation. Furthermore, the organisations, which need to undertake these actions, include not only various 3GPP Working Groups, but also other SDOs and industry Fora such as IETF, UMTS Forum and GSM Association.

The workshop was jointly hosted by the UMTS Forum and ETSI, with the GSA providing the social hosting and GSM Association well represented. There was significant participation from members of all the 3GPP working groups as well as support from the Mobile Competence Centre 3GPP project team. Members of other SDO's and MRP's such as 3G.IP, IETF and MWIF also participated.

Next steps

The report was taken at the 3GPP SA meeting in Stockholm earlier this year (s. relevant doc). Following up on the actions should be the combined task of 3GPP, the UMTS Forum and the GSM Association.

The ETSI Chairman, Karl Heinz Rosenbrock proposed a follow-up meeting. This has been accepted by the UMTS Forum Chairman, Bernd Eylert. However, the date has not yet been decided.

In the mean time the Forum has distributed to SA and SA1 and in result the following steps have been undertaken:

During the last SA1 Ad Hoc IP Framework meeting held in Dallas, in August 20-21, 2001, it was agreed to further pursue alignment of the following definitions: Application, Application Service Provider, Service, Service Provider....

There is currently a mismatch in the definitions of terms in 3GPP specifications and reports: 22.228, 21.905, 22.141, UMTS Forum 9 & 13.

Activities are underway to try and harmonise these definitions as appropriate.

Finally the UMTS Forum's Steering Group suggested to look firstly to the SA's workshop on "3GPP Evolution" and decide if a follow up workshop in early 2002 is necessary.

2. MRP Co-ordination Group meeting, 12th September 2001

The MRPs met on 12th September 2001 in London-Stockley Park to discuss issues of common interests. The main issue driving this meeting was the MRP Review. The MRPs discussed the latest draft of the ad-hoc Group Chairman and agreed in the end on a common position which will be presented at 3GPP OP#6 in detail (s. relevant document there).

No further document of co-ordinated issue for contribution at 3GPP PCG or OP was elaborated.