

PCG#12_20

3GPP/PCG#12 Meeting
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Report from GA ad hoc group on
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- **Terms of Reference adopted by GA#40**
- **Clear mandate:**
**Not to modify the ETSI IPR Policy
 but to address and rectify any uncertainties
 on the operation of the IPR Policy**
- **13 issues identified**
- **6 meetings plus lots of e-mail discussions**
- **30 Recommendations approved**
- **Ad hoc e-mail exploder list will be left open
 to act as a « sounding-board » for IPR issues in ETSI**

Overview of the issues 1 (2)

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| 1 | Timely disclosure of essential IPRs | Recs: 1 – 6 |
| 2 | Late IPR information Statement and Licensing Declaration | Rec. 7 |
| 3 | Challenges to declaration of essentiality | Recs: 8 – 10 |
| 4 | How to handle FRAND information | No Consensus |
| 5 | Geographical scope of Licensing | Recs: 11 – 12 |
| 6 | Normative referencing | Rec. 13 |
| 7 | Dispute resolution | Rec. 14 |

Overview of the issues 2 (2)



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| 8 | Non-disclosure agreements | Recs: 15 - 16 |
| 9 | Members' compliance with the undertaking | Recs: 17 - 18 |
| 10 | ETSI Secretariat assistance in IPR matters | Rec. 19 |
| 11 | Others | Recs: 20 - 23 |
| 12 | Out of Scope | |
| 13 | Monitoring of volume of declarations to the ETSI IPR Database | Recs: 24 - 30 |

Overview of Recommendations 1 (3)

- ❑ **19 Recommendations on TB Chairman's IPR Guide stemming from the following issues:**
 - **Timely Disclosure of IPRs**
 - **Late IPR Information Statement and Licensing Declaration**
 - **Challenges to Declaration of Essentiality**
 - **Dispute Resolution**
 - **Non-Disclosure Agreements**
 - **Non response to request undertaking/declaration**
 - **ETSI Secretariat assistance in IPR matters**
 - **Other Issues**
 - **Monitoring of volume of declarations to the ETSI IPR Database**

Overview of Recommendations 2 (3)



- ❑ Four Recommendations on the internal Secretariat procedures and on documentation
- ❑ Three Recommendations on the ETSI IPR Information Statement and Licensing Declaration forms stemming from the issue:
 - **Monitoring of volume of declarations to the ETSI IPR Database**
- ❑ Two Recommendations on the ETSI co-operation agreements template
- ❑ One Recommendation on the improvements to the ETSI Drafting Rules stemming from the issue:
 - **Normative Referencing (Annex 2)**
- ❑ One Recommendation on the creation of "best practice" guidelines to assist in completing the IPR declaration forms

Overview of Recommendations 3 (3)

- **Two out of Scope Issues**
 - Not within the mandate of the ad hoc group but deemed of interest to the ETSI membership
- **Fair Reasonable And Non-Discriminatory (FRAND)**
 - Impossible to define FRAND
 - Examples of bad practises not accepted!

GA#42 Decisions:

- Discussed and endorsed the report, in general
- Approved the 30 Recommendations contained in the Report
- Actioned the ETSI Secretariat to propose and elaborate appropriate measures to implement the 30 Recommendations
- Actioned the ETSI Board to oversee and ensure the implementation of the 30 Recommendations
- Noted the two Out of Scope Issues