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TSG-RAN#8 Meeting Report

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General

- 120 Participants
- 136 Contributions
- Around 700 CRs
- 2.5 day meetings,
- No release'99 forms submitted
- R'00 work item sheets confirmed
- R'00 working method agreed

RAN WG1 (R'99)

- A total of 97 (120) CRs were submitted and approved, including revision during the meeting
 - Many corrections on category of CRs
- No more open issues remaining

RAN WG2 (R'99)

- A total of 169 (150) CRs were submitted and approved
 - Many corrections on CR category
- No more open issues remaining
- Although documents are stable, careful debugging, corrections will be necessary, especially on RRC

RAN WG3 (R'99)

- A total of 210 (280) CRs were submitted and approved, including category modification
- No more open issues
- Still, a lot of correction is expected for R'99

RAN WG4 (R'99)

- 102 (120) CRs were submitted and approved
- No more open issues
- Understanding of Japan on Handling of Measurement Uncertainty is different from that of RAN4. RAN confirmed WG4's position. Discussion is to be continued.

ITU Ad Hoc

- ITU Ad Hoc is re-activated to prepare the maintenance documents for ITU-R RSPC Specs
 - Draft version by Mid August
 - Final version by Mid October
- RAN propose to send a liaison on test spec. measurement accuracy.

General: Category of CRs

- Still, additional functionalities are proposed and agreed in RAN WGs
- Additional functionality should be limited to those that are essential for system operation but missing from current Specs.
- RAN proposed to have common understanding on categorization and acceptable ones in CRs (Annex-D of SP-000320)

Release 2000

- Major work is still on R'99. Not so much progress on R'00 discussion
- Work item sheets are confirmed and endorsed, one by one
- Work procedure was discussed and drafted (Annex-E,F of SP-320)
 - Comments from delegates are yet to be received

Handling low chip rate TDD

- TR 25.928 v1.0.0 "1.28Mcps functionality for UTRA TDD Physical Layer "was created in WG1, and made progress
- Discussion on whether new spec documents should be created or not
- Not to make new specs. Sections for lower chip rate is acceptable.

Concluding remark

- Still a lot of corrections are expected for R'99, especially for WG2,3
- List of R'00 WI for December completion is long. Prioritisation may be necessary to ensure the quality

MCC staff workload

- Workload for MCC staff is very high, especially for WG2, WG3
- Example
 - After RAN#7, the most critical specifications (25.413, 25.423, and 25.433) were not available until the following WG3 meeting, despite hard work by the MCC support team. Some extra resources need to be provided to the MCC support team for implementing CRs after each TSG meeting
- More support resource enhancement needed
- RAN asks PCG to agree on support resource enhancement

RAN statistics from Oct.'99 to June'00

- Plenary: CRs-1690, Tdocs-598
- WG1: CRs-321, Tdocs-1356
- WG2: CRs-507, Tdocs-2052
- WG3: CRs-685, Tdocs-2282
- WG4: CRs-324, Tdocs-975

Current workload to implement CRs

- Around 200 hours is necessary to implement CRs for RAN2 (RAN#8 estimation). (RAN3 as well)
- This must be done within a week (max) after the RAN plenary
- Normally four persons are necessary for both RAN2 and RAN3 during that period

Current solution

- MCC ask for volunteers to help them
- Still MCC are very busy
- It is an unstable solution, since it depends on volunteers

Short term solution (year 2000)

- Temporary staff to help MCC during peak period in an organized way
- 2-3 assistants for both WG2 and WG3
- Responsibility fully remains on MCC members

Long term solution

- To hire MCC for WG2 and WG3 (one per each), sharing the responsibility
- To allocate assistants when necessary
- Sharing workload among SDOs may be worth considering