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Introduction

3GPP TSGs will be reorganised in March 2005, and new chairmen and vice chairmen will be elected for all 3GPP TSGs. Some of the tasks of TSG-T will be moved to TSG-CT (TSG-CN and TSG-T merger) and some to TSG-RAN. For the sake of optimal work split and number of WGs in a TSG, an internal reorganisation within TSG-CT, and within TSG-RAN, may be needed. TSG-SA and TSG-GERAN WGs are not affected by this reorganisation.

Several WG level elections in TSG-CN, TSG-T and TSG-RAN are due immediately before or right after the reorganisation (T1, T2, T3, CN1, CN3, CN4, CN5, R1, R2, R3, and R4). Electing new WG leaders immediately before the TSG reorganisation and possible reorganisation of WG tasks should be avoided because candidate WG chairmen and vice chairmen would not know what they are committing themselves to, and how long their term would last. If WGs and their tasks were reallocated, new WG leaders would need to be elected.

Proposal

The chairman and vice chairman elections in TSG-T, TSG-CN and TSG-RAN WGs should be postponed beyond the TSG reorganisation, and existing chairmen and vice chairmen should be granted an extension to their terms of office until the task split and the new terms of reference of WGs are known.

There is no need to postpone TSG-SA and TSG-GERAN WG elections.

Background (latest election dates - before TSG#27 - immediately after TSG#27)

T1	2003/02	CN1	2003/02	R1	2003/02	SA1	2003/01
	2003/02		2003/02		2003/02		2003/04
	2003/02		2004/08		2003/02		2004/01
T2	2003/05	CN3	2004/06	R2	2003/02	SA2	2003/02
	2003/05		2004/05		2003/02		2003/02
	2004/04		2003/05		2003/02		2003/02
T3	2004/08	CN4	2003/05	R3	2003/02	SA3	2003/05
	2003/02		2003/05		2003/02		2003/05
	2002/11		2003/05		2003/02		2003/05
		CN5	2003/01	R4	2003/02	SA4	2004/04
			2003/10		2003/02		2003/07
					SA5	2004/03	
						2003/07	
						2004/03	
					G1	2003/04	
					G2	2003/11	
					G3	2003/08	