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**SUPPORT LETTER FOR THE POSITION AS 3GPP TSG SA WG5 VICE CHAIR**

Dear Colleagues,

Ericsson is pleased to nominate **Mr. Thomas TOVINGER** (via ETSI) for a third term as Vice Chairman of the 3GPP TSG SA Working Group 5; Telecom Management.

Ericsson is committed to the 3GPP standardization work and will give the full support and resources necessary for Thomas to fulfill the 3GPP TSG SA WG5 Vice Chairman activities successfully.

Thomas Tovinger represents the Individual Member "Telefon AB LM Ericsson" and the Project Partner "ETSI".

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jonas Sundborg".

Jonas Sundborg

Director of Standardization and Technical Regulation  
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## **Brief CV of Mr. Thomas TOVINGER**

**Mr. Thomas TOVINGER** received a Master of Science Diploma in Engineering Physics with Computer Science specialization at Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, in 1980 and has over 30 years of experience in the Information Technology and Telecommunications industry.

He joined Ericsson 1980 and worked with OSS programming, design and testing from 1980 to 1990, including a multi-vendor adaptation from 1984 to 1985. From 1990 to 1999 he continued with system development for various types of cellular OSS systems, including work as line manager and sub-project manager, and he started to participate in his first standardization group 1993: ETSI SMG6 developing the GSM 12-series management specifications. From 1993 to 1998 he participated in the 12.20 (BSS Management Information Model) group as well as the 12.06 (Configuration Management) and 12.11 (Fault Management) groups.

Thomas TOVINGER began his participation in 3GPP SA5 at meeting #3 in early 1999 and was Rapporteur/chair of the first Configuration Management group 1999-2001, where he was heavily involved in introducing the IRP (Integration Reference Point) concept.

After that, he continued as chair of 3GPP SA5 Sub Working Group C (Interface IRPs and Methodology) from August 2001 to September 2005. From 2005 to 2011 he has been Rapporteur of a number of 3GPP SA5 Work Items: Subscription Management SOAP/XML Solution Set, Telecom Management Methodology, Study on version handling, and IRP framework enhancements to support Management of Converged Networks. From 2005 to 2007 he was also member of the ETSI TISPAN NGN (Next Generation Networks) Network Management group (WG8).

In August 2007 Thomas TOVINGER was elected for the first term as Vice Chairman of 3GPP SA5. In September 2009 he was elected for the second term as Vice Chairman of 3GPP SA5, a duty which he has fully ensured until today.