IEEE 802.1 OmniRAN TG

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| Minutes of OmniRAN TG Teleconference  April 29th, 2014 | | | | |
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Abstract

Minutes of the IEEE 802.1 OmniRAN TG teleconference on Tuesday, April 29th, 2014.

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Chair: Max Riegel

Recording secretary: Juan Carlos Zuniga

**Call to order**

* Meeting called to order on Tuesday, April 29th, 2014 by Max Riegel at 10:05 hrs (EDT).
* Chair used <https://mentor.ieee.org/omniran/dcn/14/omniran-14-0034-00-00TG-april-29-conference-call.pptx> for guiding the discussions in the conference call.
* Chair presented mandatory slides for all IEEE SA meeting contained on slide #4 through #7 in the document referenced above.
* No responses when call for potentially essential patents was made.

**Appointment of recording secretary**

* Juan Carlos Zuniga volunteered to take notes

**Roll Call**

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| **Name** | **Affiliation** |
| Max Riegel | NSN |
| Juan Carlos Zuniga | InterDigital |
| Antonio de la Oliva | UC3M |
| Behcet Sarikaya | Huawei |
| Paul Congdon | Tallac Networks |
| Glenn Parsons | Ericsson |
| Yonggang Fang | ZTE |
| Jouni Korhonen | Broadcom |

**Agenda**

* Proposed agenda:
  + Agenda bashing
  + Reports
    - NesCom approval
    - OmniRAN EC SG closure
    - 802.1 OmniRAN TG establishment
  + SDN update
    - ITU
    - ONF
    - others
  + OmniRAN TG interim meeting in Norfolk on May 14th/15th
    - Objectives
    - Draft agenda
  + AOB
* No amendments or corrections brought up.
* Agenda approved without objections.

**Approval of minutes**

* No minutes pending to be approved by OmniRAN TG.
* However for informational purposes chair asked about any issues with the minutes of the OmniRAN EC SG of the March 2014 plenary meeting in Beijing (last meeting of the EC SG) as provided on mentor by <https://mentor.ieee.org/omniran/dcn/14/omniran-14-0032-00-ecsg-meeting-minutes-for-march-2014-f2f-plenary-meeting.docx>
  + No issues were brought up.

**Reports**

* Nescom approval
  + Max reported that no issues came up to him from the NesCom approval of the P802.1CF PAR, and asked the WG chair Glenn, whether there were any comments coming up to him?
  + Glenn: No comments, which is always good
* OmniRAN EC SG Closure
  + Max reported that he made a final update to the OmniRAN EC SG web page, which now provides a comprehensive overview about the whole EC SG life cycle. The web page is still visible by link on the IEEE 802 landing page, however such link will be moved one level deeper onto the List of Disbanded Study Groups.
  + The OmniRAN EC SG document archive of about 250 files will remain for re-use and reference on the mentor server.
  + The OmniRAN EC SG mailing list will be closed shortly.
* 802.1 OmniRAN TG establishment
  + The chair explained that OmniRAN TG will use the 802-1-L\_wg mailing list for communication. Experience has shown that OmniRAN mailing list was mainly used for announcements to the SG participants. Hardly any technical discussions took place on the mailing list. 802-1-L\_wg mailing list is an appropriate channel to distribute announcements to the OmniRAN TG participants.
  + An project page for P802.1CF has been established, but so far the chair has no access to it to refine and update the information. A conference call for introduction into the 802.1 IT environment was agreed between Max, John and Glenn, but took not place up to now. It is planned to have the introduction in Norfolk. The grouper account of Max has to be assigned to the 802.1 group to allow him to change content in the 802.1 space.
  + No final conclusion yet about the document archive for the working documents of the OmniRAN TG. The existing OmniRAN space on mentor would be the best solution, however there were rumors recently that IEEE SA is planning to replace mentor by a commercial system. Glenn has concerns about the future of mentor, but Max does not see issues, as IEEE SA will provide professional support for the the migration of the information on mentor into a new system, if mentor should be replaced by another system in future. Mentor has incredible value for IEEE SA, as all the documents of many successful projects are on mentor, and mentor is used by patent authorities to determine priorities and prior art for invention filings.
  + Juan Carlos expressed the need to use mentor as document repository to enable communication and cooperation with the other 802 WGs. P802.1CF requires support and contributions from all the 802 WGs, and most people in 802 are used to use mentor for document retrival and uploading as well as for providing review comments to drafts. As all input will be on a voluntary basis, OmniRAN TG has to provide the most user-friendly environment to attract participants of the other 802 WGs.
  + Max will discuss with John and Glenn, how OmniRAN TG can integrate its work into the 802.1 environment while keeping mentor as system for submissions and working documents.

**SDN update**

* ITU
  + Max informed that ITU-T established a coordination group on SDN. The third meeting of the group will take place in July, and OmniRAN TG should take care, that SDN activities in IEEE 802 become known to the SDN coordination group.
  + <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/jca/sdn/Pages/default.aspx>
* ONF
  + Paul: Three use cases advancing their documents. Target still to publish architecture documents by June. Participation from IEEE active members is encouraged.
* Other
  + As agreed in Beijing, Roger Marks established a SDN email list for 802-wide topics
  + Subscription details under <http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/OmniRANsg/email/msg00116.html>

**OmniRAN TG interim meeting in Norfolk on May 14th/15th**

* OmniRAN meets
  + on May 14th 2pm - 5pm, and
  + on May 15th 9am – 5pm
* Objectives
  + Max will request a brief slot in the joint TSN/inter working meeting on Wednesday to promote the OmniRAN work.
  + Glenn proposed that OmniRAN should create a liaison statement to ITU-T in Norfolk. The topic was added to the draft agenda for the meeting.
* Draft agenda
  + Approval of minutes
  + Reports
  + TG Organization
  + Example contributions to the intended specification
  + Outline of the intended specification
  + Organization of the work
    - Alignment within IEEE 802.1
    - Cooperation with the other IEEE 802 WGs at July plenary
  + Conference call until July 2014 session
  + Liaison report to IEEE 802 WGs
  + ITU-T Liaison on SDN
  + AOB

**AOB**

* **Gaining voting rights for IEEE 802.1**

Glenn offered to provide to the OmniRAN attendees of the first OmniRAN TG meeting in Norfolk the 802.1 WG voting rights at the beginning of the July 2014 plenary, when attendence credit for the whole 802.1 interim meeting was achieved (require 4 half-day session credits) and interest for membership is formally declared by email to the 802.1 chair.

* **Spelling of ‘OmniRAN’**

When Behcet was wondering Max explained that ‘OmniRAN’ was always spelled with capital ‘O’ and captial ‘RAN’. All captials were never used.

**Adjournment**

* Meeting adjourned at 11:20, EDT