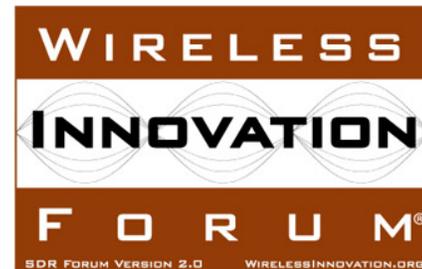# Wireless Innovation Forum Announces Approval of its FY2016 Operations Plan by Membership

For Immediate Release

Washington, DC, 18 August 2015 – The Wireless Innovation Forum (http://www.WirelessInnovation.org), a non-profit international industry association dedicated to driving the future of radio communications and systems worldwide, today announced the approval of its 2016 Operations plan by its membership. The Wireless Innovation Forum Board of Directors has established the following high level objectives for the Forum for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in executing on the Forum's Strategic Plan:

- Brand the Forum as the preferred venue for the Spectrum Sharing Community
- Identify New Market Area Relevant to the Forum's Mission
- Execute on the Strategic Plan of the Coordinating Committee on International SCA Standards (CCSCA)
- Establish a Test and Certification Strategy for WInnForum Standards
- Establish Relevant Projects
- Formalize Partnership Relationships with End User Community
- Improve Regional Support

"This plan describes the coming year's work plans for our three committees which will produce new standards and recommendations to advance spectrum and radio technologies for essential and critical communications" said WInnForum chair Bruce Oberlies of *Motorola Solutions* (NYSE:MSI).

These objectives are supported through projects undertaken by its three committees: Committee on Spectrum Innovation (CSI), Spectrum Sharing Committee (SSC) and the Coordinating Committee on International SCA Standards (CC SCA).

Current CSI projects in support of the Operations Plan objectives include:
- *Integrated Communications Systems Model*
- *Receiver Performance Guidelines and Evaluation Criteria*
- *Spectrum Sharing Annual Report*
- *Elements of Context for Cognitive Radio Based Public Safety Communications Systems*

More information about these projects can be found on the CSI web page: http://groups.winnforum.org/spectrum_innovation_committee

The CC SCA plans to deliver multiple work products through a series of projects in FY2016, including:
- *SCA Harmonization Roadmap*
- *SCA Evolution*
- *SCA 4.1 Advocacy*
- *SCA Usage Expansion*
- *Transceiver API*
- *Test and Certification Support*
- *"Next Big Thing"*

Information on these projects can be found on the CC SCA web page: http://groups.winnforum.org/SCA_Committee

The SSC Steering Committee has established an aggressive project plan for FY2016, which will culminate in standards for operation in the 3.55 GHz CBRS band in accordance with FCC rules and regulations. The FY2016 project plan is allocated among four Working Groups: Operational and Functional Requirements, Security Requirements, Protocol Specifications, and Testing and Certification. Projects include:

- Further define Spectrum Access Systems (SAS) functional and operational requirements
- Define the cybersecurity and operational security (OPSEC) requirements for the SAS ecosystem
- Define the detailed protocols for data and communications across the various open interfaces within the SAS
- Define the test and certification standards for the SAS and across the various interfaces within the SAS.

Information on the four SSC working groups can be found here: http://groups.winnforum.org/page/spectrum-sharing-committee.

Through these projects, the members of the Forum will develop multiple Reports, Recommendations and Specifications over the coming year for use by the broader advanced wireless community that will be added to our comprehensive Document library: http://www.wirelessinnovation.org/document_library.

The next Technical Exchange meeting to advance Forum projects will be held in Erlangen, Germany, 5-9 October 2015. More information on that event can be found here http://groups.winnforum.org/page/2015-europe-tem-agenda. The meeting will be held concurrently with the sixth annual Wireless Innovation Forum Conference on Communications Technologies and Software Defined Radio (WInnComm-Europe). The conference will feature tree days of high level keynotes, technical presentations, a Tactical Radio Workshop and more. Information can be found at http://Europe.WirelessInnovation.org.

The FY2016 Operations Plan can be downloaded here: http://groups.winnforum.org/d/do/8486.

To learn more about the benefits of Forum Membership, visit our web page at http://www.WirelessInnovation.org.

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About the Wireless Innovation Forum

Established in 1996, The Wireless Innovation Forum (SDR Forum Version 2.0) is a non-profit mutual benefit corporation dedicated to driving technology innovation in commercial, civil, and defense communications worldwide. Members bring a broad base of experience in Software Defined Radio (SDR), Cognitive Radio(CR) and Dynamic Spectrum Access (DSA) technologies in diverse markets and at all levels of the wireless value chain to address emerging wireless communications requirements. To learn more about The Wireless Innovation Forum, its meetings and membership benefits, visit www.WirelessInnovation.org.

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