

The Fifteenth General Meeting of the SDR Forum was held on September 21, 22 & 23, 1999 at Fogg's Hotel in Stockholm Sweden.

Tuesday September 21, 1999

Stephen Blust opened the meeting at 9:10 AM with a review of the meeting agenda. He presented the anti-trust statement prepared by the Forum's legal counsel and asked if the participants had any knowledge of patents which are essential to the standards being developed; there were no affirmative responses.

He then introduced Dr. Peter Olander who, on behalf of Ericsson, welcomed the Forum participants to Stockholm.

On behalf of the SDR Forum Steering Committee, Larry Williams welcomed new members attending for the first time.

Mr. Blust then asked committee chairs to present an overview of their activities and plans for this meeting.

Technical Committee: Mark Cummings described the PIMRC conference in Osaka, with over 600 attendees and a heavy emphasis on software defined radios. He announced that the SDR Forum has been invited to present a track on software defined radios at the next PIMRC in London. He then reviewed the progress of the Technical Committee's working groups.

Mr. Blust described Third Generation/IMT 2000 progress as the options have coalesced to 6 from the original 16 proposed.

John Ralston reviewed the progress on software download and on liaison activities with the WAP and MExE Forums. He also talked about the Steering Committee's decision to hire professional counsel to deal with regulatory issues.

Markets Committee: Robert Moton presented the Markets Committee's near term objectives with respect to the next installment of the Markets Report and to increasing membership. He also reported on recent articles in EE Times and Financial Times regarding software defined radios and he described plans to continue this publicity.

The plenary session adjourned at 10:30 AM for committee sessions.

Wednesday September 22, 1999

The meeting opened at 9:15 AM.

The Technical Committee Chair, Mark Cummings, presented the proposed version 2.1 of the Technical Report which had been posted on the website and had also been distributed at the meeting yesterday and he called for a vote to accept it; the motion was seconded by Hank Hacker. After discussion, the motion passed with 14 in favor, none opposed and one abstention.

The plenary session adjourned at 10:00 AM for Committee Sessions.

Thursday September 23, 1999

The meeting opened at 9:05 AM.

Dawn Szalc presented the API recommendations from the Basestation and Antenna Working Group, which had been distributed yesterday, for a vote; the motion was seconded by Ron Meyer and it passed with 13 in favor, none opposed and one abstention. Ms Szalc also presented the charter for that working group.

Mr. Cummings suggested that schedules for teleconferences be posted on the website.

Ron Meyer continued the discussion regarding the progress on the use-cases; he will submit them for posting on the website.

The plenary session adjourned at 9:50 AM for Committee Sessions.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30AM.

Robert Moton presented the Markets Committee plans and updated the list of technical articles already placed, a list of related web sites, and a proposed list of white papers to be written. He also suggested preparation of a Forum roadmap for future activities.

Ron Meyer presented the work plan and use-case review for the Basestation and Antenna Working Group and announced that regularly scheduled teleconferences will be held on alternate Tuesdays at 1300 GMT.

Alden Fuchs presented the work items for the Mobile Working Group.

Gunnar Nitsche discussed download issues and the liaison with MAP and MExE; he also presented a roadmap regarding regulatory issues.

Mr. Margulies announced that the next meeting of the Forum will be held in San Diego California on November 16,17,18, 1999; he noted that the annual meeting of the Forum and election of officers will be held at that time.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM