

# Information on Communications Alliance Working Committees



## **WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment Working Committee**

**Please note: EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS WORKING COMMITTEE MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5.00PM, 25 SEPTEMBER 2020**

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### **1 About Communications Alliance**

Communications Alliance is the primary telecommunications industry body in Australia. Its membership is drawn from a wide cross-section of the communications industry, including carriers, carriage and internet service providers, content providers, search engines, equipment vendors, IT companies, consultants and business groups.

Its vision is to provide a unified voice for the telecommunications industry and to lead it into the next generation of converging networks, technologies and services. The prime mission of Communications Alliance is to promote the growth of the Australian communications industry and the protection of consumer interests by fostering the highest standards of business ethics and behaviour through industry self-governance.

For more details about Communications Alliance, see <http://www.commsalliance.com.au>.

### **2 Communications Alliance Working Committees**

Each Communications Alliance Working Committee is directly responsible for the content of specific work assigned to it, such as the drafting of Standards, Industry Codes and Guidelines. Working Committees are established to perform an area of work identified by the relevant Reference Panel or Advisory Group.

Working Committees will meet regularly and are required to provide progress reports. Members would be expected to contribute substantial time outside formal Working Committee meetings.

Working Committees are established for the duration of a specific task and are disbanded once the task is completed. Members are selected to provide effective representation of the industry and community sectors relevant to the Committee's subject area. For example, a Customer Equipment Standard can only deal with issues pertaining to sections of the industry which have the opportunity to input into its development.

### 3 Terms of Reference of the WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment Working Committee

The **IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** Working Committee WC94 has been established to perform an area of work identified by the **Customer Equipment and Cable Reference Panel** Reference Panel CECRP.

The Working Committee's role is to prepare the content of the Communications Alliance Australia Standard for IMT-2020 customer equipment by developing/amending the following parts to AS/CA S042 **Requirements for Connection to an air interface of a Telecommunications Network** Australian Standard:

- **Part 1: General** (amendment)
- **Part 4: IMT Customer Equipment** (amendment) (to become IMT-2000 CE)
- **Part 5: IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** (new)

The work is to be managed under discrete activities with separate deliverables. These activities are to be accessed during the course of the project, and in conjunction with the CECRP, with approval, can be amended in response to the progress of work being carried out by 3GPP and ETSI:

- Activity A (Parts 4 & 5):
  - based on 3GPP Release 15 and bands identified under FCC regulations
  - Standalone (SA) and Non-Standalone (NSA)
  - Frequency Ranges FR1 and FR2
  - reference to ETSI TSs (conformance specifications and essential requirements).
  - align IMT terminology in AS/CA S042.4
  - publication target October 2021
- Activity B (Part 1)
  - emergency call requirements and Device Identifier
- Activity C (Part 5):
  - amend Part 5 to update references to the ETSI ENs (harmonised Standards). At time of approval ETSI EN target publication - Jan 2022.
- Activity D (Part 5):
  - update requirements to 3GPP Release 16
  - Working Committee constitution to be reassessed
- Other activities (Part 5), including:
  - SIP location
  - NILR
  - MMS to 000

### **Primary deliverables**

- a revised AS/CA S042.1 General Customer Equipment Standard
- a revised AS/CA S042.4 IMT-2000 Customer Equipment Standard
- a new AS/CA S042.5 IMT-2020 Customer Equipment Standard

### **Supporting deliverables**

- a recommendation on how the proposed AS/CA Standard should be applied in the ACMA *Telecommunications (Labelling Notice for Customer Equipment and Customer Cabling) Instrument 2015*. This does not include the application of other AS/CA Standards that may be referenced by this Standard.
- report that includes:
  - justification of any deviations from international/overseas standards or Australian Standards (AS & AS/NZS)
  - a rationale for proposed new requirements.

The project milestones of the Working Committee are:

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Targets</b>
<b>Approval to start</b>	September 2020
First WC meeting	January 2021
<b>Public comment start</b>	April 2021
Public comment close	June 2021
Ballot start	September 2021
Ballot close	September 2021
<b>Approval for publication</b>	October 2021
Publication	October 2021

## **4 Membership of the WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment Working Committee**

**WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** Working Committee members will be selected to ensure adequate representation of industry and consumer interests. Members need not be members of Communications Alliance and may include representatives from regulatory bodies.

Membership will be assessed on the basis of achieving/ensuring appropriate and balanced representation of interested, affected sectors. In the interests of achieving a workable sized committee, the lodging of an Expression of Interest does not guarantee membership on the **WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** Working Committee.

Membership of Communications Alliance Working Committees is restricted to one voting member per organisation. Additional members from an organisation are

able to nominate as participating members. Unlike voting members, participating members will not be eligible to participate in any vote in the Working Committee, unless authorised by the voting member in their absence.

The Working Committee constituency by sector is:

Sector
Carrier (3)
Supplier: Equipment/Cable (6)
Testing laboratory (2)
Regulator (1) (non-voting)

## 5 Role of Working Committee Members

Members of the **WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** Working Committee are required to:

- participate in Working Committee meetings;
- where possible, ensure that an 'alternate' representative from your organisation is able to attend meetings in your absence;
- contribute to the content development and drafting of the proposed AS/CA S042 **Requirements for connection to an air interface of a Telecommunications Network** Standard;
- assist in the preparation of project reports, where necessary;
- assist with the public review process of the proposed draft AS/CA S042 **Requirements for connection to an air interface of a Telecommunications Network** Standard; and
- vote on the publication on the completion of the content development at the end of the project.

## 6 Consumer/Community Representative Travel Costs

Communications Alliance will consider on a case by case basis the payment of travel costs associated with the attendance of consumer/community representatives at Working Committee meetings. Wherever possible, meetings will be held by teleconference and other electronic means.

## 7 Expressions of Interest

### Please note:

If you have previously been nominated for the **WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** Working Committee through a consumer organisation, you need not lodge an Expression of Interest.

Expressions of Interest for Working Committee membership must include:

- Statement of relevant experience, why you are interested in participating in the Working Committee and which group you are representing (if any);
- Brief resume outlining your experience; and
- Completed and signed nomination form.

Expressions of Interest for the **WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment** Working Committee should be lodged, preferably by email, with:

Mike Johns, Project Manager, on  
e-mail [m.johns@commsalliance.com.au](mailto:m.johns@commsalliance.com.au)

Alternatively, Expressions of Interest can be forwarded to:

**WC94 : IMT-2020 Customer Equipment Working Committee**  
**COMMUNICATIONS ALLIANCE**  
**PO Box 444**  
**Milsons Point NSW 1565**

Queries can be directed to the Project Manager by email or alternatively via:  
telephone (02) 9959 9111 or facsimile (02) 9954 6136.

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