Introduction to the Wireless Innovation Forum (SDR Forum Version 2.0)

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What is the Wireless Innovation Forum

A nonprofit "mutual benefit corporation" dedicated to:

"advancing technologies supporting the innovative utilization of spectrum and the development of wireless communications systems, including essential or critical communications systems"







Corporate Background

Incorporated in California as a Non-profit Mutual Benefit Organization

Registered with the US Government as a Standards Development organization under the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, as amended by the Standards Development Advancement Act of 2004

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Antitrust Division

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Notice is hereby given that, on September 20, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), The Software Defined Radio Forum ("SDR Forum" has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: The Software Defined Radio Forum,



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Pillars of Strategy

Wireless Innovation Forum						
<u>Advocacy</u>	e future of radio commu	Education	commercialization			
Collaborating with governments, regulators, standards bodies, and research sponsors, acting as the voice of the advanced wireless community	Identifying and fostering research, both with the Forum and in other bodies worldwide, on Technical, Business or Regulatory innovations required to address emerging wireless communications requirements	Educating the R&D community (researchers, developers, academia, etc.) and decision makers across the wireless value chain	Advancing standards, certifications, and demonstrations that enhance value, reduce total life cost of ownership and allow timely delivery of products, technologies and services			
Organizations driving technology innovation in commercial, civil, and defense communications around the world						







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The Forum's Collaborative Model

Standards



Memberships and Partnerships



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FY2016 Downloads

Conference Proceedings	49,825				
Work Products					
Reports	18,091				
Recommendations	17,426				
Specifications	5,338				
Market Studies	2,929				
SCA Standards Portfolio	3,808				
Other	39,525				
Total	145,20				

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Top 10 Most Wanted Wireless Innovations

- Innovation #1: Techniques for Efficient Porting of Waveform Applications Between Embedded Heterogeneous Platforms
- Innovation #2: Network Management of Mobile Ad-Hoc Radios
- Innovation #3: Receiver Performance Interference Thresholds
- Innovation #4: Low Cost Wide Spectral Range RF Front-End (Multi-octave Contiguous) (Tx,Rx)
- Innovation #5: Efficient Techniques to Minimize Power Amplifier Spectral Regrowth in Non-contiguous Spectral Environment
- Innovation #6: Increase Communications Time on Battery Charge by an Order of Magnitude
- Innovation #7: Context Aware Cognitive Radio
- Innovation #8: Interference Mitigation Techniques
- Innovation #9: Standardized computer interpretable policy language for cognitive radio
- Innovation #10: Flexible Regulatory Framework for Temporary, Cooperative and Opportunistic Access

http://www.wirelessinnovation.org/top-ten-wireless-innovations

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The Forum's Advocacy Agenda: Improving the Utilization of Spectrum

Dynamic Situational Prioritization

- Minimizing Regulatory Barriers to Entry
- Technology and Service Neutrality
- Licensed, Unlicensed, Sharing and Hierarchical Models
- **Minimum Technical Restrictions**
- Harmonized Standards
- Networked and Synchronized Databases
- **Spectrum Sensing**
- **Receiver Specifications**



http://www.wirelessinnovation.org/advocacy-agenda





FY2016 Accomplishments

WINNF-16-P-0019-V1.0.0 Context for Cognitive Radio Based Public Safety Communications Systems

WINNF-16-R-0058-V1.0.0 Response to Ofcom Call for Information on 3.8 GHz to 4.2 GHz



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FY2017 Plans

Receiver Performance Guidelines and Evaluation Criteria

Update to the Advocacy Agenda

Update to the Top 10 List

Execute on Platform Strategy



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CC SCA Mandate

To support the harmonization of the SCA standards at the international level for the mutual benefits of all stakeholders to include:

- Defining an industry driven SCA evolution roadmap for the international community
- Profiling the SCA specification and related APIs to define internationally accepted variants that are hosted by the Forum
- Developing extensions to the SCA standards that address any gaps between the defined SCA evolution roadmap and Forum accepted SCA specification variants
- Providing implementation and certification guides, tools etc. easing implementation and supporting proliferation
- Establishing and managing industry led certification programs where appropriate





CC SCA Structure

Structure for Coordinating Committee on International SCA Standards





The CC SCA is led by a Steering group of worldwide tactical radio manufacturers















Hitachi Kokusai Electric





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CC SCA Advisory Council

Grouping together the Steering Group and CC SCA Advisors

- Answering to the essential need of a venue for manufacturers and customers to interact
- Met at least twice a year since creation (~2011)
- Now delivering beyond expectations: Advisory Council enabled the normative referencing of WInnF PIM IDL Profiles by SCA 4.1

Who are Advisors?

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- Individuals related to MoDs active in the area of International SDR Standards
- Current list of Advisors covers JTNC, OCCAR-EA, FR, Ge, IT, SW, NOR MoD, EDA, NATO
- Appointed upon invitation issued by the Steering Group

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WInnF Standards for SDR

Standards serving SDR in the general sense

- Stemming from SCA
- Developed by
 - Partner entities (e.g. JTNC Standards)
 - WInnF

SCA 2.2.2 and 4.1



WInnF-developed Standards: Transceiver, IRSS, (U)Lw AEPs, PIM IDL Profiles

Policy setting efforts underway

- Web-based Issues collection mechanism, open to all
- Architecture Board operation in installation
- Branding strategy under development, with specific logos under final validation

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REPORTS

WINNF-16-P-0025.V0.6.0 (IR1) SCA 4.1 Compliancy Interim Release 1

SPECIFICATIONS

WINNF-14-S-0016-V2.0.1 IDL Profiles for Platform Independent Modeling of SDR Applications

RECOMMENDATIONS

WINNF-16-R-0085-V1.0.0 Endorsement of SCA 4.1 WINNF-16-R-0066-V1.0.0 Comments on SCA 4.1 Candidate



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FY2017 Plans: SCA 4.1 compliancy

Started early 2015 aiming for completion end 2016

Chaired by JTNC Standards

Project to deliver WInnF specification capturing compliancy criteria for all SCA 4.1 requirements

Interim deliveries already available (on partial scope)



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FY2017 Plans: Transceiver Next

Started early 2015

Project now to deliver

- PIM standard by end 2016
- PSM standards (C, SCA, VHDL, ...) to follow closely

Delayed for best reason: active participation

- Cobham, DGA, Harris, FKIE, HKE, JTNC Standards, NordiaSoft, Rockwell-Collins, Rohde & Schwarz, Thales
- TEMs so far : Paris, Ottawa, Wichita, Erlangen, Rennes, Ottawa, Paris
- Weekly 2h teleconferences

Follow-up projects to aim at

• Domain-oriented profiles for portability improvement

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Capabilities extensions

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Coalition interoperability

Started early 2015 aiming for completion end 2016

Project to deliver exploratory report identifying technology / standards gaps for coalition contexts

Contributions and involvement from government stakeholders remain welcome (NATO countries and beyond)



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Spectrum Sharing Committee: Scope

- Serve as a common industry and government standards body to support the development and advancement of spectrum sharing technologies
- Initial focus on 3.55 GHz, with aims to advance this technology for all applicable spectrum bands that can benefit from it.
- This Committee is intended to facilitate the interpretation and implementation of FCC rulemaking to a level that allows industry and government parties to collaborate on implementation of a common efficient, well functioning ecosystem around this technology.

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Spectrum Sharing Committee: Scope

The main activities that will conducted in the Committee include:

- Detailing common industry and government functionality and architecture for Spectrum Access Systems (SAS), sensors, and devices
- Interoperability requirements and protocol definition to allow for open competitive and well functioning systems
- Common framework for testing and integration of components of spectrum sharing technologies to allow for rapid certification and deployment and predictability, thus expanding the ecosystem and increasing utility of the spectrum
- Details of requirements, processes, and methods for protection of incumbent users as required by the spectrum rules
- Operational procedures definition for the well functioning of the system as it pertains to spectrum assignment, managements and interoperability



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Participation to Date – 200+ People, 50+ Organizations

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- Utilities Telecom Council
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FY2016 Approved Documents

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RUM

WINNF-15-P-0051-V1.0.0 Interim SAS to SAS Protocol Technical Report-A

- WINNF-15-P-0023-V1.0.0 Interim SAS to CBSD Protocol Technical Report-A
- WINNF-15-P-0060-V1.0.0 SSC WG4 Certification Process
- WINNF-15-P-0047-V1.0.0 SAS Functional Architecture
- WINNF-15-P-0062-V1.0.0 Interim SAS to CBSD Protocol Technical Report B WINNF-16-P-0063-V1.0.0 Interim SAS to SAS Protocol Technical Report B WINNF-16-P-0089-V1.0.0 CBRS Threat Model

SPECIFICATIONS

- WINNF-15-S-0112-V1.0.0 CBRS Operational and Functional Requirements
- WINNF-15-S-0071 CBRS Operational Security

RECOMMENDATIONS

- WINNF-15-R-0200-V1.0.0 WInnForum Comments on 2650 Protection Contours
- WINNF-15-R-0092-V1.0.0 Emission Measurement Ex Parte
- WINNF-15-R-0058/0059-V1.0.0 Reply Comments on the Second FNPRM
- WINNF-15-R-0045-V1.0.0 WInnForum Comments on the Report and Order



Release 1 Publication Timeline





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Release 2 Publication Timeline

	May '16	Jun '16	Jul '16	Aug '16	Sep '16	Oct '16	Nov '16	Dec '16	Jan '17	Feb '17	Mar '17	Apr '17	May '17	Jun '17	Jul '17	
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Elements of The Forum's "Commercialization Framework"

As a representative of a member organization, you can	Benefit/Value to the Member
Initiate and lead market focused work groups, task groups or special interest groups	to drive the creation of reports, recommendations and specifications that incubate and advance new technologies that are important to your organization.
Leverage the Forum's proven development process and IPR policy	to rapidly advance projects that will get these innovative technologies to market.
Collaborate with other member representatives from leading organizations across multiple market segments and at all levels of the wireless value chain	to quickly build an ecosystem of organizations interested in gaining economies of scale in supporting these technologies through standards based interoperation.
Leverage the Forum's flexible membership model	to expand this new ecosystem to include all relevant stakeholders.
Leverage the Forum's reputation as a "honest broker" in presenting technology	to educate regulators on issues important to our organization in establishing this new ecosystem.
Leverage the Forum's partnerships, US and European conferences, webinars and web presence	to promote the adoption of your ecosystem's technologies, guidelines and standards.

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"The Wireless Innovation Forum has long been, and continues to be, the center of mass for standards and architectures that drive the development of Software Defined and Cognitive Radios for the communications industry," says **Datron's Bob** Schutz. "Datron is committed to providing its commercial, civil and military customers with state of the art communications platforms. Datron's membership in The Wireless Innovation Forum is an acknowledgement of this commitment and the continued value, we see in the activities of The Wireless Innovation Forum."





"Five out of six a4ESSOR Main Subcontractors were already members of the Forum. a4ESSOR's main role/interest is therefore to coordinate their contributions to the Forum in relation to ESSOR products," said Ugo Manetti, President of <u>a4ESSOR</u>. "We firmly in fact believe that the Forum can offer an extraordinary opportunity, worldwide, for technical exchange in the SDR field and related matters."



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"The Wireless Innovation Forum provides Kolodzy Consulting LLC the forum in which to address the regulatory and technical issues for next generation radios," says Paul Kolodzy, of <u>Kolodzy Consulting LLC</u>. "The onset of more dynamic capabilities within radios and radio networks has created the need for such focused industry-led efforts."



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"Scientific exchange is an important factor for research," says Ute Miller of <u>RWTH Aachen</u> <u>University</u>. "The WInnForum is the ideal forum for the research areas of UMIC."



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"We are pleased to be a part of this important organization, which includes some of the world's leading technology innovators in the field of wireless spectrum," said Johanna Dwyer, General Manager of Federated Wireless.



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