

SECOND MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY, RELIABILITY, AND INTEROPERABILITY COUNCIL IX

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PRESENTATION

WG1: Harnessing Artificial
Intelligence/Machine Learning to
Ensure the Security, Reliability, and
Integrity of the Nation's
Communications Networks

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Co-Chairs
Working Group 1



Working Group 1: Harnessing Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning to Ensure the Security, Reliability, and Integrity of the Nation's Communications Networks

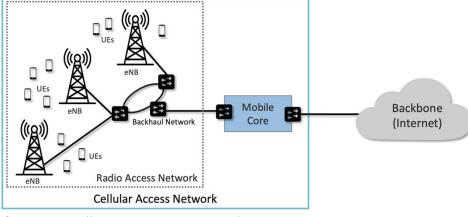
September 27, 2024

Co-Chairs: Vijay K. Gurbani, Vail Systems Jason Hogg, Microsoft

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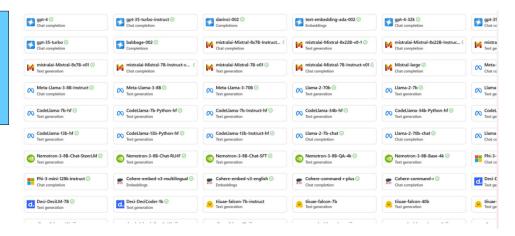
Working Group 1: Background

Fundamental question: How does AI/ML affect the security and reliability of communications networks and how to mitigate the challenges that the technology poses?



Source: https://5g.systemsapproach.org/





The Challenge(s)

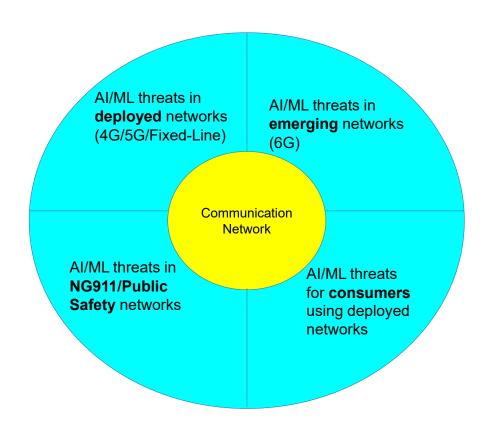
- Communications networks are complex
- Al / ML are being applied across the network
- Different types of AI / ML models
- Rapid rate of development
- How to identify and prioritize relevant threats?
- ... without boiling the ocean!

Working Group 1: Objectives

- 1. Report on the Threats Posed by Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Systems to the Security, Reliability and Integrity of Networks and Recommendations on How to Overcome Them, **March 2025**
- 2. Report on Recommended Best Practices for the FCC and Industry on the Ethical and Practical Use of Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning, **September 2025**
- 3. Report on Best Practices for the Use of Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Systems Specifically Intended for Public Safety Network, **March 2026**



Working Group 1: Background





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- 33 members
- 11 alternates
- Inaugural meeting: Wed Sep 11, 2024
 - Introduction and welcome
 - Discussed charter deliverables, and understanding problem space
 - Established meeting cadence
- Bi-weekly meetings starting Thu Oct 03, 2024



Working Group 1: Members

Co-chairs: Vijay Gurbani, *Vail Systems* Jason Hogg, *Microsoft* Mark D Annas, City of Riverside, CA

Praveen Atreya, Verizon

Mike Barnes, Mavenir Systems

Richard Barron, The MITRE Corporation

Chris Bennett, Motorola Solutions

Craig Bowman, Futuri

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Travis Reutter, ACA Connects

Travis Russell, Oracle Communications

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Narothum Saxena, UScellular

Peter Scott, Public Broadcasting Service

Rikin Thakker, NCTA

David Valdez, CTIA

Henry Young, BSA | The Software Alliance

Dongsong Zeng, U.S. Department of Commerce



Working Group 1: Alternates*

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Principles and Approach

Large complex space requiring analysis of

- AI/ML security in general (including mitigation)
- AI/ML security as it pertains to communication networks
- AI/ML security as it pertains to public safety networks

Operating principles

- Identify and leverage existing resources (eg NIST) where possible
- Partner with peer WGs to ensure relevance

Approach

- Start with the first paper "Threats Posed by AI/ML Systems to the Security, Reliability and Integrity of Networks and Recommendations on How to Overcome Them"
- · Build high-level taxonomy for scenarios and threats
- Solicit input from WG on key scenarios and top threats
 - Look for patterns in scenarios or threat vectors to create focus; Scope to broad to cover entirely

Deliverables/Schedule

	Goals
September	Goals: WG introductions9/11: WG introductions and initial overview9/23: CSRIC IX meeting
October	 Goals: Agree on scope and approach Identify volunteers to work with partner teams Information sharing; identify scenarios and threats for focus First WG meeting scheduled for 10/3
November	Goals: Agree on structure of the reportAgree on structure of the reportIdentify editors
December	Goals: Develop initial outline of report w/ key bullet points
Jan – Mar	Goals: Solidify report



Discussion / Feedback

Thank you!





DISCUSSION

WG1: Harnessing Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning to Ensure the Security, Reliability, and Integrity of the Nation's Communications Networks

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PRESENTATION

WG2:Ensuring Consumer Access to 911 on All Available Networks As Technology Evolves

BRANDON ABLEY, NENA,
STEPHEN HAYES, ERICSSON
Co-chairs
Working Group 2



Working Group # 2: Ensuring Consumer Access to 911 on All Available Networks As Technology Evolves

September 27, 2024

Co-Chairs: Brandon Abley, NENA

Stephen Hayes, Ericsson

FCC Liaison: Gerald English, Ryan Hedgpeth

Working Group #2: Background

- The group is chartered to investigate availability for 911 on alternate networks from primary telephone service provider
- We are asked to answer the following questions:
 - How should consumer devices prioritize the potential back-up network options for connecting to 911?
 - What connection latency may be introduced by this alternative network "search" process? If the latency is extreme (more than 20 seconds), what measures can be taken to reduce the latency? Should device manufacturers or service providers develop "user prompts" to advise callers who experience significant latency that the phone is in the process of connecting to 911?
 - What information will the PSAP, and the relevant functional elements associated with Next Generation Core Services, receive from a back-up, alternative network sources (e.g., dispatchable location, coordinate-based location, call-back number)? If the back-up network options degrade the information flow from the originating call to the PSAP, what can be done to ensure that actionable caller location and other essential data reliably reaches the PSAP to dispatch aid?
 - Will there be relevant classes of service developed to identify the source type of the call for PSAPs? If not, what information can the PSAPs realistically expect to receive to help them quickly and accurately identify the source (WiFi, satellite, etc.) of the call?
 - Are there any limitations to any of these back-up network sources (i.e. less granular location information, lack of automatic number identification (ANI)/automatic location identification (ALI), inability to perform location based routing)?
 - What, if any, impact do the issues identified with alternative network options for connecting to 911 have on NG911 services and capabilities?
 - Will the use of any of these alternative options impact the capabilities of, or information delivered to, PSAPs by NG911?



Working Group 2 : Members

Brandon Abley: NENA (Co-chair) Stephen Hayes: Ericsson (Co-chair)

Rob Alderfer: Charter Communications

Jeffrey Bratcher: FirstNet

Wade Buckner: International Association of Fire Chiefs

Kirk Burroughs: Apple Inc.

Victor Burton: Comtech Telecommunications Corp.

• Douglas Campbell: Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

• Stephen Devine: APCO International

Stephen Edge: Qualcomm Incorporated

Craig Fugate: America's Public Television Stations (APTS)

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Peter Musgrove: AT&T

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• Tim Schram: NARUC

Sean Scott: SecuLore

Christiaan Segura: CTIA

Dave Sehnert: RapidSOS

John Snapp: Intrado

Kelly Springer: AT&T

Ashley Strickland: Tipton County Emergency Communications District

• Brian Tegtmeyer: U.S. Department of Transportation

Fabricio Velez: INdigital

Steve Watkins: Cox Communications

Christy Williams: NCT911



Working Group 2 : Alternates*

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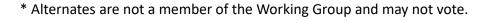
John Chiaramonte: (iCERT)

• Katherine Elkins: U.S. Department of Transportation

April Heinze: NENA

James Ramsay: NARUC

• Praveen Srivastava: Charter Communications





Deliverables/Schedule

- We have the following milestones:
 - 1. Report on Recommendations and Best Practices for Connecting Stalled 911 Calls Through Alternative Network Options, **June 2025**
 - Identifying, prioritizing and quickly connecting 911 calls via alternative network options;
 - Reducing latency when utilizing alternative network options and for ameliorating the impact of any significant latency that cannot be avoided;
 - Reducing, or eliminating, any technical limitations currently in place for any, or all, alternate network options.
 - 2. Report on Recommendations for Preventing Adverse Impacts on PSAPs and NG911 from 911 Calls Made Through Alternative Network Options, **March 2026**
 - Providing PSAPs with actionable, accurate, information, including caller location and source (call type) of call when alternative network options are selected and utilized; and
 - Addressing any impacts, positive or negative, that these alternative network options might have on NG911.



Work Plan (TBD)

- Report 1 (June 2025)
 - Executive Overview
 - Technical Background and Introduction
 - Back-up Networks Available for 9-1-1
 - Latency Issues
 - Limitations in Use of Backup Networks



Work Plan (TBD)

- Report 2 (March 2026)
 - Executive Overview
 - Technical Background and Introduction
 - Information Received at the PSAP
 - Recommendations for Future Work



Next Steps

- Finalize work plan
- Much of the research is front-loaded in Report 1
 - Assign subgroups and complete Report 1
 - Esp. re: supplemental coverage and satellite access
- Complete Report 2
 - Will need more operational input
 - Recruit potential non-member SMEs





DISCUSSION

WG2:Ensuring Consumer Access to 911 on All Available Networks As Technology Evolves

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PRESENTATION

WG3: PREPARING FOR 6G SECURITY AND RELIABILITY

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Working Group #3: Preparing for 6G Security and Reliability

September 27, 2024

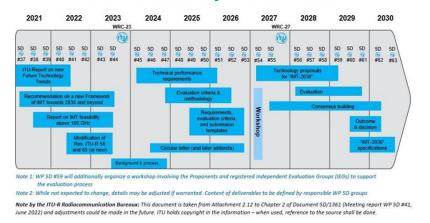
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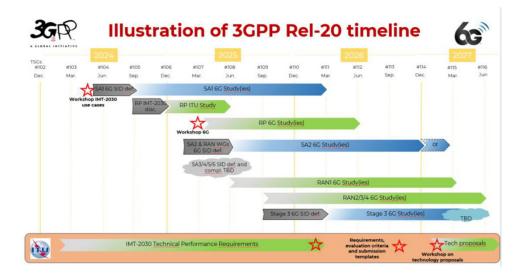
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FCC Liaison: Jeffrey Goldthorp

Working Group #3: Background

ITU-R timeline for IMT-2030





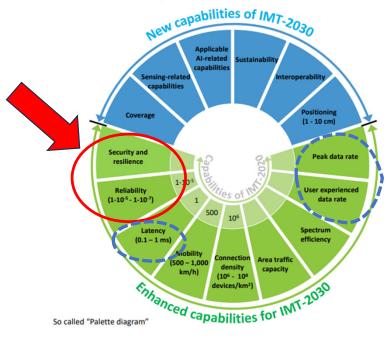
6G networks are at least seven years from commercial deployment, but wireless technology moves at such a brisk pace that the Commission is compelled to seek early recommendations from stakeholders that will lead to more secure and reliable 6G networks and services.



Working Group #3: Background

6G is expected to result in orders of magnitude improvements in network speed and latency, enabling capabilities that cause distinctions between the physical and cyber worlds to fade.

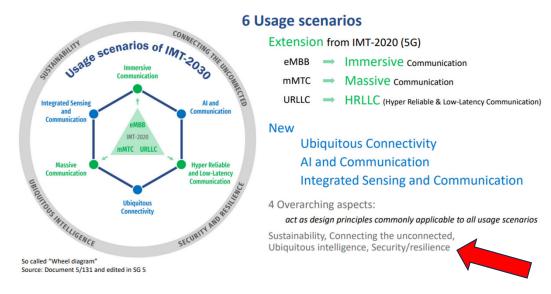
Capabilities of IMT-2030





Working Group #3: Objectives

Examine and address security and reliability risks unique to emerging 6G networks and services.





Make an early foray into examining and addressing potential security and reliability risks in emerging 6G networks and service.

Working Group #3 Members

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Initial Meeting of Working Group #3

- An initial virtual meeting was held on 17 September
 - Introduce Working Group members
 - Present the Working Group objectives, deliverable and schedule
- Presentation on 6G Security and Resiliency some early ideas*:
 - Define the 6G Threat Landscape
 - Physical layer security (i.e., spectrum sharing attacks, jamming)
 - Signaling/User-plane security and privacy
 - 6G sensing and security implications
 - Hetnets (e.g., Wi-Fi/5G/6G) security concerns
 - Zero trust adoption for RAN and 6G Core components
 - Etc.
- GSMA RAN Threats





*Presented for initial discussions within the working group

Deliverables/Schedule

- Virtual meetings scheduled on a bi-weekly basis.
 - Anticipate inviting subject matter expert presentations on specific topics or research areas.
 - ATIS workspace set up for document management and collaboration
- Will develop a plan for the development and deployment of reliable and security 6G networks and services that minimize privacy risks.
- <u>Deliverable</u>: Report on Potential Security and Reliability Risks in 6G and Recommendations for Mitigation.
- **Deliverable Schedule**: December 2025.



Thank you!





DISCUSSION

WG3: PREPARING FOR 6G SECURITY AND RELIABILITY

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WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18, 2024