# **P802d**

# Type of Project: Amendment to IEEE Standard 802

# 2.1 Title: Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks—Overview and Architecture

# Amendment: URN namespace

# 4.2 Expected Date of submission of draft to the IEEE-SA for Initial Sponsor Ballot: 11/2016

# 4.3 Projected Completion Date for Submittal to RevCom: 08/2017

# 5.1 Approximate number of people expected to be actively involved in the development of this project: 20

# 5.2.b. Scope of the project: This amendment specifies a URN namespace for IEEE 802 networks. This URN is used as the root identifier for YANG data models that allow configuration and status reporting for bridges and end stations.

# 5.3 Is the completion of this standard dependent upon the completion of another standard: Yes. An IETF RFC is required to register the root for IEEE (http://www.iana.org/assignments/urn-namespaces/urn-namespaces.xhtml)

# 5.4 Purpose: Definition of a URN namespace for IEEE 802 networks, including an extensible hierarchy.

# 5.5 Need for the Project: YANG (RFC 6020) is a formalized data modeling language that can be used by NETCONF, a widely accepted protocol that is being used to simplify network configuration. Other SDOs (e.g. IETF and the Metro Ethernet Forum) have adopted YANG, and are developing a broad range of data models. Development of YANG data models for manageable entities specified in IEEE 802 standards are already underway (e.g., IEEE P802.1Qcp & IEEE P802.1Xck) and others are expected.

# 5.6 Stakeholders for the Standard: Developers, providers, and users of networking services and equipment.

# 8.1 Additional Explanatory Notes (Item Number and Explanation):

# #2.1 Uniform Resource Names (URNs) are intended to serve as persistent, location-independent, resource identifiers.

# #5.5 While 'YANG' (developed by the IETF) appears to be an acronym its expansion 'Yet Another Next Generation' is not meaningful. It is vital that 'YANG' appear in the project title to inform potential participants and the target readership of the amendment.

# #7.3A The base standard, IEEE Std 802, has already been adopted by ISO/IEC JTC1 under the PSDO Agreement and it is expected that this amendment will also be adopted with communication with JTC1 through existing channels.

# **CRITERIA FOR STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT (CSD) for a proposed PAR:**

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*The text of the CSD given here in italics is that provided on the IEEE 802 website under ‘IEEE 802 Procedural Documents’ based on IEEE 802 LMSC Operations Manuals approved 15 November 2013 and last edited 20 January* *2014. Responses to the questions asked in the CSD are given in roman font.*

# *IEEE 802 criteria for standards development (CSD)*

*The CSD documents an agreement between the WG and the Sponsor that provides a description of the project and the Sponsor's requirements more detailed than required in the PAR. The CSD consists of the project process requirements, 1.1, and the 5C requirements, 1.2.*

## *Project process requirements*

### *Managed objects*

*Describe the plan for developing a definition of managed objects. The plan shall specify one of the following:*

1. *The definitions will be part of this project.*
2. *The definitions will be part of a different project and provide the plan for that project or anticipated future project.*
3. *The definitions will not be developed and explain why such definitions are not needed.*

This project will not develop managed objects, as there are none for the base overview and architecture, IEEE Std. 802. This project is concerned with enabling NETCONF management of IEEE 802.1Q implementations through definition of a URN namespace root for development of a YANG data model.

### *Coexistence*

*A WG proposing a wireless project shall demonstrate coexistence through the preparation of a Coexistence Assurance (CA) document unless it is not applicable.*

1. *Will the WG create a CA document as part of the WG balloting process as described in Clause 13? (yes/no)*
2. *If not, explain why the CA document is not applicable.*

This is not a wireless project so a Coexistence Assurance (CA) document is not applicable.

## *5C requirements*

### *Broad market potential*

*Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall have broad market potential. At a minimum, address the following areas:*

1. *Broad sets of applicability.*
2. *Multiple vendors and numerous users.*

The proposed amendment will support the use of YANG/NETCONF, which commands broad industry support -especially from network service providers, in IEEE 802 networks. Both IEEE 802 networks and NETCONF are already supported and used by multiple vendors/network providers/network users.

### *Compatibility*

*Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard should be in conformance with IEEE Std 802, IEEE 802.1AC, and IEEE 802.1Q. If any variances in conformance emerge, they shall be thoroughly disclosed and reviewed with IEEE 802.1 WG prior to submitting a PAR to the Sponsor.*

1. *Will the proposed standard comply with IEEE Std 802, IEEE Std 802.1AC and IEEE Std 802.1Q?*
2. *If the answer to a) is no, supply the response from the IEEE 802.1 WG.*

*The review and response is not required if the proposed standard is an amendment or revision to an existing standard for which it has been previously determined that compliance with the above IEEE 802 standards is not possible. In this case, the CSD statement shall state that this is the case.*

The amendment will be in conformance with IEEE Std 802, IEEE Std 802.1AC, and the existing provisions of IEEE 802.1Q.

### *Distinct Identity*

*Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall provide evidence of a distinct identity. Identify standards and standards projects with similar scopes and for each one describe why the proposed project is substantially different.*

IEEE Std 802 is already a recognized and established standard. This project enhances IEEE Std. 802 to meet expressed customer needs; it does not duplicate existing capabilities. There is no other IEEE 802 standard or approved project that overlaps with the Scope of this project.

### *Technical Feasibility*

*Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall provide evidence that the project is technically feasible within the time frame of the project. At a minimum, address the following items to demonstrate technical feasibility:*

1. *Demonstrated system feasibility.*
2. *Proven similar technology via testing, modeling, simulation, etc.*

URN namespaces (IETF RFC 3406) are widely used as roots for YANG data models, as well as for general identifiers. Other SDOs (e.g., MEF and IETF) have already defined YANG data models and there is sufficient joint membership and liaison to ensure that IEEE 802 benefits from their prior experience. The proposed amendment will use mature URN syntax (IETF RFC 2141 ~1997).

### *Economic Feasibility*

*Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall provide evidence of economic feasibility. Demonstrate, as far as can reasonably be estimated, the economic feasibility of the proposed project for its intended applications. Among the areas that may be addressed in the cost for performance analysis are the following:*

1. *Balanced costs (infrastructure versus attached stations).*
2. *Known cost factors.*
3. *Consideration of installation costs.*
4. *Consideration of operational costs (e.g., energy consumption).*
5. *Other areas, as appropriate.*

The additional implementation resources consumed by support of the YANG data model are those of an enhanced software protocol whose requirements are bounded, well-known, and of minimal impact on equipment cost in networks requiring management. The industry-wide effort to adopt NETCONF/YANG is largely driven by a need to reduce operational costs. The design of the URN namespace in support of YANG will be such that it is hierarchical and not require a separate registry.