## Transition Policy for the new OASIS IPR Policy

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## **Key Objectives for Transition**

- 1. Implement new IPR Policy as quickly as possible, minimizing time when both IPR Policies are active and need to be separately managed.
- 2. All TCs are operating under either the new IPR Policy or the old.
- 3. The effective date of the new IPR Policy will be at least 60 days following Board approval.

## Membership Transition

- 1. New OASIS members must sign the new Membership Agreement after the new IPR Policy is adopted in order to join OASIS.
- 2. Existing OASIS members are encouraged to sign the new Membership Agreement as soon as possible, regardless of when their membership comes up for renewal. Signing the Membership Agreement does not change membership year.
- 3. After Board approval of the new IPR Policy, all existing OASIS members must sign the new Membership Agreement by their membership renewal date or by the effective date of the new IPR Policy, whichever is later.
- 4. OASIS members who have signed the new Membership Agreement can participate in TCs that are operating under the new IPR Policy or the old IPR policy.
- 5. OASIS members who have not signed the new Membership Agreement can only participate in TCs that are operating under the old IPR policy.

## TC Transition

- 1. Once the new IPR Policy is effective, all new TCs must be formed under the new IPR Policy.
- 2. All existing TCs will be allowed nine (9) months after the effective date of the new IPR Policy to either finish their work or transition to the new IPR Policy as described below.
- 3. A TC may not transition to the new IPR Policy until 50% of the Organizational Members and Individual Members represented by Members of the TC have agreed to the new IPR Policy by signing the new Membership Agreement.
- 4. Existing TCs that have the special Board-approved RF language in their charters will automatically transition to the unrestricted RF mode of the new IPR Policy when the 50% threshold is reached. If the TC wishes to operate under the restricted RF mode of the new IPR Policy, it must initiate a Transition Approval vote, as described below.

- 5. Existing TCs will transition to the new IPR Policy as follows:
  - a. Once the TC has reached the 50% threshold it will be eligible to initiate a Transition Request to the TC Administrator to operate under the new IPR Policy. The Transition Request must pass by a majority of the voting TC members to request the TC Administrator to conduct a Transition Approval ballot. The Transition Request must specific the IPR Mode the TC wishes to operate under.
  - b. Thirty (30) calendar days must elapse after the approval of the Transition Request by the TC before opening the Transition Approval ballot. This will enable additional TC members to become eligible by signing the applicable new Membership Agreement.
  - c. The TC Administrator will conduct the ballot. In order to be a Qualified TC Member:
    - Organizational members must have signed the new Membership Agreement and have at least one voting TC Member
    - Individual members must have signed the new Membership Agreement and must be a voting TC member

The primary representative for each organization Qualified TC member and individual Qualified TC members may each cast a single vote. The ballot will remain open for a period of 14 calendar days.

- d. A Transition Approval ballot for a TC to operate under the RAND mode of the new IPR Policy requires a supermajority (2/3) of those eligible to vote.
- e. A Transition Approval ballot for a TC to operate under either RF mode of the new IPR Policy requires unanimous approval of those eligible to vote.
- f. If the Transition Approval ballot fails, the TC must pass another Transition Request vote to ask the TC Administrator to conduct another Transition Approval ballot.
- 6. Existing TCs that do not reach the 50% threshold or who do not have a successful Transition Approval ballot within nine (9) months of the effective date of the new IPR Policy will be closed. Any exceptions must be approved by the OASIS Board of Directors, whose decision is final.