



Broadband Forum Liaison

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Subject: Broadband Forum Organizational Changes

Dear Liaison Partner:

As an integral part of the Broadband Forum's recently announced [Broadband 20/20 vision](#) we would like to inform you of our organizational restructuring that will affect interactions with our liaison partners.

Broadband 20/20 is a vision of innovative, high-value services for the business and consumer stakeholders and their 700+ million broadband installations. These leverage use of NFV, SDN, Ultra-Fast access, Internet of Things, 5G in the home, in small business and in multi-user infrastructure of the Broadband network to create new business models and user experiences.

To support these exciting new initiatives, to foster a culture of rapid technical development, rapid response to industry requirements, and interactions with open source communities, the Forum has restructured its organization into the following **Work Areas** which are now in operation:

Broadband User Services

Fiber Access Networks

Converged Wireless-Wireline

SDN and NFV

Fiber to the Distribution Point

Physical Layer Transmission

Routing and Transport

Architecture and Migration

Oversight and coordination of the Work Areas is via the Broadband Forum's Steering Committee guided by the Technical Committee Chair. Each Work Area is comprised of **Project Streams** tasked with related technical and marketing projects. In addition to the specific topics covered under the respective Work Areas there are supporting projects for technology innovation, software, data and information models, APIs, OAM, and interoperability & certification testing.

We feel our industry partners are critical to our mutual industry success and with the Broadband Forum entering a new period of innovation, we look forward to our continued working relationship.

For further details please see [the goals of each Work Area](#), [Broadband 20/20](#). For questions regarding communication or interactions with the Forum please contact our CEO [Robin Mersh](#).

Sincerely,

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Note: A list of upcoming meetings can also be found at <http://www.broadband-forum.org/meetings/upcomingmeetingsatag glance.php>