

# Introduction of the CESI IPR Policy Template

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## Overview of CESI IPR Policy Template

#### The development of the template

- We set up a task force to develop the template on March 8th, 2006
- In addition to the members of the task force, a wide variety of participants was invited to the research.
  - IT standards working groups (AVS, RFID, Linux, IGRS...)
  - Foreign Experts (Earl Nied, John Hill, Tom Robertson...)
- The template was developed on the base of AVS IPR policy.
- According to the development of IT industry, we did some modifications.
- After 15 revisions, we published the template as the result of our research.
- The template achieved the world-wide positive evaluation



## Overview of CESI IPR Policy Template

### Basic principles of the template

- The rights of IP holders are fully respected
- The policy is designed to balance the interests of standard implementers and IPR holders who own the intellectual property necessary to implement the standards.
- The standards can be accepted by the market.



## Overview of CESI IPR Policy Template

- Components of the template
  - Policy
    - General, Definitions, Contribution, Patented Technology, Patent Pool, Trade Mark, Copyright, Survival, Miscellaneous
  - Default Licensing Form for the Member of SDO
  - Form of the Disclosure and Licensing of Patents for Contributions of the Member of SDO
  - Form of the Disclosure and Licensing of Patents for Draft Standard



## Requirements of Essential Patent Technologies

- A patent technology is necessarily infringed because there is no technically feasible non-infringing alternative.
- The patented technology must be competitive
  - Technical merits
  - Implementation costs
- If a patented technology is adopted in the final standards, the patent holder will license the implementers with more favorable terms.



## Requirements of Disclosure Duty

#### Situations that members need to do disclosure

- Each member shall make a good faith effort to promptly disclose the existence of patents and published patent applications according to the extent of their actual knowledge.
- Member's actually knowledge shall be limited to the actual knowledge of its Member Representatives and authors of its contributions, if any.
- Patent technologies in the contributions of member
- Patent technologies of member in the contributions of other members



## Requirements of Disclosure Duty

- Timing of disclosure
  - As early as possible
  - Anytime prior to the State Authorities of Standardization approval of standard



## Requirements of Disclosure Duty

#### Information of disclosure

- The more information the better when selecting between contributions
- The minimum information that a member shall disclose:
  - Identity
  - Patent numbers or application number
  - Encouragement to disclose more information about licensing terms and conditions

(Ex ante disclosure is voluntary but not mandatory in this template)



## Requirements of Licensing

#### Licensing terms

- Licensing royalty free without compensation and otherwise under reasonable and non-discriminatory terms (RAND RF)
- Participate in the Patent pool
- Licensing under reasonable and non-discriminatory terms (RAND)
- No license



## Requirements of Licensing—Default Licensing Obligations

## • Purpose:

Assurance of licensing from the members of SDO who own intellectual properties necessary to implement the final standards



## Requirements of Licensing-Default Licensing Obligations

- Timing to sign the form of default licensing
  - Upon signing the Member Agreement, each member shall identify the Default Licensing Obligations in connection with its Necessary Claims to any patented technology adopted in the final standard.
- The situation that Member's Default Licensing Obligation shall apply
  - A member hasn't make any disclosure and licensing commitment with respect to his own patents covering the contributions before the end of the review period.

## The Promotion of CESI IPR Policy Template

- The authorities begin to consider to regulate IPR management in the process of IT standards development.
- Some IT standard Working Groups under MII adopt the template as their IPR policy, (AVS WG; Linux WG; RFID WG....)

## Thanks for Your Attention!

• You can download the copy of CESI IPR Policy Template from:

http://www.cesi.ac.cn/datumview.aspx?sort=3&id=5631