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**IEEE Publishes Standard Amendment Coexistence Methods for geo-location capable devices operating under general authorization**

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**PISCATAWAY, NEW JERSEY, USA, xx xx 2017** – IEEE, the world's largest technical professional organization dedicated to advancing technology for humanity, and the [IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA)](http://standards.ieee.org/), today announced the availability of the IEEE 802.19.1a™-2017 standard amendment, Coexistence Methods for geo-location capable devices operating under general authorization.

“The IEEE 802.19.1a™-2017 standard amendment enables the family of IEEE 802® wireless standards (ex. IEEE 802.11) to effectively utilize the devices operating under license-exempt or lightly license,” said Steve Shellhammer, chair of the IEEE 802.19™ Wireless Coexistence Working Group. “This is accomplished by providing standardized coexistence methods among dissimilar or independently operated wireless networks under general authorization such as TV band White Spaces, the 5GHz license-exempt bands and lightly license in 3.5GHz Citizens Broadband Radio Service bands. The IEEE 802.19.1a™-2017 standard amendment is intended to help achieve fair and efficient spectrum sharing.”

IEEE 802.19.1a™-2017 specifies radio technology independent methods for coexistence among different wireless networks operating in TV band White Spaces, the 5GHz license-exempt bands and the 3.5GHz Citizens Broadband Radio Service bands. The standard includes the following:

* Methods of leveraging the cognitive radio capabilities of the license-exempt devices, including geo-location awareness and access to information databases;
* A coexistence discovery and information server, which gathers and provides coexistence information regarding wireless networks;
* A coexistence manager, which utilizes the information from the coexistence server in order to enhance the coexistence of the wireless networks;
* A coordination enabler, which communicates with the coexistence manager within the same coexistence system and with the coordination enabler within the other coexistence system; and
* A common coexistence architecture and protocols, as well as several profiles to enable cost-efficient and flexible deployment of the coexistence system in various scenarios.

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