Media Independent Service for Software-Defined Radio Access Networks

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Abstract— In recent days, Software-defined networking paradigm, characterized by a clear separation of the control and data planes, has been attracted in wireless Radio Access Networks (RANs). This paper proposes and presents an approach for applying IEEE 802.21 Media Independent Services (MIS) framework to the Software-Defined Radio Access Network (SDRAN). MIS-capable centralized controller in this approach enables both seamless handover and dynamic radio resource allocation by keeping a clear separation of MIS control from SDN control plane in heterogeneous RAN environment.

Keyword— Software-defined radio access network, SDRAN, IEEE 802.21, MIS, Media independent service, Seamless Handover, Heterogeneous Network



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