

## IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group Liaison Communication

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Dear Mr Trowbridge and Members of ITU-T SG15,

We are pleased to inform you that the IEEE P802.3df Project Authorization Request (PAR) proposed by the IEEE 802.3 Beyond 400 Gb/s Ethernet Study Group was approved by the IEEE SA Standards Board on Thursday 9 December 2021. The approved PAR may be found at [https://ieee802.org/3/df/proj\\_doc/IEEE\\_P802.3df\\_PAR\\_11122021.pdf](https://ieee802.org/3/df/proj_doc/IEEE_P802.3df_PAR_11122021.pdf). The Task Force webpage may be found at <https://www.ieee802.org/3/df/index.html>, and includes the complete list of approved Task Force objectives.

The first meeting of the IEEE P802.3df Task Force will occur during the IEEE 802.3 January 2022 Interim session that will be held the weeks of 10 to 14 January 2022, and 17 to 21 January 2022. Information regarding this interim session may be found at <https://www.ieee802.org/3/interims/index.html>. Upon formation the Task Force will begin the process of selecting baselines. We look forward to future interaction concerning the new

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Ethernet signals we will be defining that may be transported over OTN networks and will share details concerning the format of those signals with you as they become available.

Sincerely,  
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