



Meeting Minutes

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Purpose of Meeting

Annual meeting of the IEEE Technical Committee on Communications Systems Integration and Modeling (CSIM-TC) which took place within IEEE ICC 2015.

Agenda

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Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Introduction

Christos Verikoukis opens the meeting introducing himself as vice-chair of the TC and the other officers. Then Christos briefly outlines the ComSoc structure and governance.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda is presented to the attendees and approved.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes Globecom 2014 (Austin, TX)

The committee unanimously approves the minutes of the last CSIM TC meeting at GLOBECOM'14.

4. Election of the Secretary

Election for the new committee secretary takes place. There is only one self-nominated candidate (Burak Kantarci). The committee unanimously votes Burak Kantarci as the new Secretary.

As the new secretary is elected, the TC officers for the upcoming 2-year period are being as follows: Christos Verikoukis (Chair), Dzmitry Kliazovich (Vice-chair), Burak Kantarci (Secretary).

4. Web site

Petros presents the new web site of the TC. Web site is moving to a new address soon (<http://sites.ieee.org/tc-csim/>). New web site is linked with social media. Members can post news through the web site as long as approved by the CSIM officers. Dzmitry and Christos suggest linking social media accounts to membership mailing list in order to help increase the number of members.

5. Students Competition

Christos presents the students competition program under ComSoc. Students competition officer is Marco di Renzo, and detailed information can be found in (<http://www.comsoc.org/blog/ieee-comsoc-student-competitions-communications-technology-changing-world>)

6. Standards Liaison

Stefano explains the standardization efforts and standardization program development under ComSoc. CSIM has two members who serve as the standards liaison of the TC: John Vardakas and Stefano Giordano. Stefano also mentions that there is financial support for standardization activities.

7. Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Christos presents the SIGs under CSIM. Currently there are 6 active SIGs under CSIM. Christos marks the status of the SIG on Design and Performance Optimization of Green Networking as “mission achieved”. In order to improve SIG activities, having SIGs contribute to the e-newsletter is planned.

Fabrizio suggests following up with the SIG chairs and inquire with them their achievements (for the closed SIGs) and/or planned activities (for the active SIGs).

Christos presents five new SIGs that have been proposed to run under CSIM. These new SIGs are as follows : OnIoT: Optimization of Networking Technologies for the Internet of Things (contact persons: E. Tragos and M. Cesana), Service Modeling for multi-tenant 5G cell-less architectures (contact persons: E. Kartsakli and K. Samdanis), Heterogeneous Ultra-Dense Networks: Modeling, Simulation, Performance Evaluation and Optimization (contact persons: M. Di Renzo and J. Coon), Security, Privacy and Trust by Design (contact persons: I. Askoxilakis), Resource Optimization in Heterogeneous Wireless Access Networks (contact persons: B. Landfeldt and V. Angelakis).

The committee unanimously agrees that the SIG chairs can be special session organizers in the next editions of CAMAD workshop.

7. CSIM eNewsletter

Christos presents the CSIM eNewsletter which is very soon to be launched. The eNewsletter will present reports from SIGs; research articles or reviews of published works; calls for papers from conferences, workshops, Special Issues supported by CSIM; presentation of relevant research projects; open positions; announcements of best paper awards from CSIM-sponsored events; reports and pictures from CSIM events; IEEE distinguished lectures delivered by CSIM members; demos or simulators; and tutorials. Dzmityr Kliazovich and Burak Kantarci will serve as the editors of the CSIM eNewsletter.

8. Reports from GIMS/GITC

Christos reports the latest information from ICC 2015 and GLOBECOM 2015. As for the GIMS/GITC meetings; Michael Devetsikiotis updated the committee on the last GITC meeting, and presented the timelines for the upcoming ICC 2016 and Globecom 2016.

9. Reports from TAC

Stefano Giordano joins the meeting, and informs the Committee about the status of the Technical Activities Council (TAC). He also explains the procedure and statistics related to the nomination of IEEE Distinguished Lecturers. Every committee can nominate of up to four candidates. Stefano emphasizes the importance to think of possible nominations from the Committee.

Stefano highlights ComSoc efforts in education and training, standardization, and presents TAC awards program. Stefano also emphasizes the importance of having involvement of the industry in the TC. It is also important to identify the TCs of other societies, that might have similar areas of interest.

9. Sponsored Events

The activity of Technical Endorsement commission is presented. An ad-hoc commission composed of Burak Kantarci, Periklis Chatzimisios and Dzmitry Kliazovich evaluates conferences/workshops requesting technical endorsement and keep track of the Committee members in the TPCs. All endorsements proposed by the ad-hoc commission are subject to the approval of the Committee Chair.

The Committee endorsed 14 events in 2015 and on the commission is currently considering new applications for possible endorsement in 2016.

CSIM will also continue to sponsor the CQRM symposium in ICC and Globecom conferences. Furthermore, CAMAD will remain as the flagship event of the committee in the following years too. CAMAD 2016 is planned to be organized in the US.

Stefano and Christos inform the Committee about the events sponsored by CSIM, for the forthcoming ICC and Globecom conferences.

13. Next CSIM-TC Meeting

The next TC meeting will take place during GLOBECOM 15 in San Diego.

14. Other Business/Adjournment

The current number of members of the CSIM TC is 270.

The website is http://cms.comsoc.org/eprise/main/SiteGen/TC_CSIM/Content/Home.html; the mailing list is csim@comsoc.org. The web site is moving to the new address as stated above.

Christos proposes that CSIM eNewsletter to be evolved to Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter and to use social networks to further disseminate CSIM activities.

Christos presents current Committee volunteers: Nelson Fonseca – Awards, John Vardakas & Stefano Giordano – Standard Liaison, Marco Di Renzo - Student Competition, Petros Spachos and Vassilios Miliotis - Web Site Management. Membership Development volunteers are Nizar Zorba (Middle East), Raul Palacios (Latin America), Dzmitry Kliazovich and Marco Di Renzo (Europe), and Burak Kantarci (US & Canada)

Christos describes current awarding procedures and presents the list of current awards of the Committee.

The meeting is adjourned at 19.00.