

**IEEE Communications Society  
eHealth Technical Committee Meeting**

**IEEE ICC 2019, Shanghai, 22 May 2019**

Held on Wednesday May 22<sup>th</sup> 2019, 12:30 – 13:30 during IEEE ICC 2019, Shanghai, China.  
U-shape (25ppl), Beijing, Level 2, Pudong Shangri-La

Chaired by Dr. Hsi-Pin Ma, eHealth TC Chair;  
Minute by Dr. Andrea Sciarrone, eHealth TC Secretary.

**1. Welcome/Introduction**

The Chair shortly introduced the agenda of the meeting, which was approved by the attendees. A welcome message reminding the objective of the TC has been presented. The officers and the members of the Steering committee have been presented.

**2. Approval of IEEE GLOBECOM 2018 meeting minutes**

The minutes of the IEEE GLOBECOM 2018 meeting has been approved by the TC.

**3. e-Health TC Recertification**

The Chair explains that the TC should recertify by the IEEE ComSoc. The Chair will prepare all the documents necessary and he will send them to the VP-TEA.

**4. e-Health TC Newsletter**

The chair presented the TC newsletter and explain its main objectives. No observations have been raised.

**5. e-Health TC Special Interest Groups (SIG)**

The Chair reminds to the TC members that four SIGs that have been approved by the TC during the former meeting. They are related to journal special issues, healthcom conference, workshop proposal, Future research projects proposal, and standardization.

The SIGs are the following:

- Smart and connect health
  - - ChunSheng Xin (cxin@odu.edu)
  - - Sabah Mohammed (sabah.mohammed@lakeheadu.ca)
- Big data for e-Health
  - - Jinan Fiadhi (jfiadhi@lakeheadu.ca)
- Future technologies for the health of the ageing brain
  - - Michael Taynnan Barros (michael.taob@gmail.com)
- Blockchain for e-Health
  - - Simon Fong (ccfong@umac.mo)

**6. e-Health Journal/Magazine**

The chair reminds that 1 Special Issues has been approved and another one is currently under preparation. The first one is on IEEE JSAC. It is already been approved. These are the details:

Title: “Internet of Things for in-home health monitoring”

Submission deadline: 1 December, 2019

Notification of acceptance: 1 May, 2020

Final to Publisher: 1 June 2020

Publication: 3rd Quarter 2020

## Guest Editors

- Joel J. P. C. Rodrigues, National Institute of Telecommunications (Inatel0, Brazil; Instituto de Telecomunicações, Portugal; Federal University of Piau , Brazil; email: joeljr@ieee.org
- Honggang Wang, University of Massachusetts (UMass) Dartmouth, email: hwang1@umassd.edu
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- Nada Philip, Kingston University, email: N.Philip@kingston.ac.uk
- Jia Chen, IBM, email: jiachen@us.ibm.com

Another SI is currently under preparation on the IEEE Communication Magazine.

## 7. Conferences Activities Update

ICC 2018: 18 papers out of 50 (36% acceptance ratio);

HEALTHCOM 2018, (108 papers out of 220, 49% acceptance ratio)

GLOBECOM 2018, 12 papers out of 36 (33% acceptance ratio);

ICC 2019, Shanghai, 15 papers out of 40, top 5 among 10 SAC tracks (37% acceptance ratio);

HEALTHCOM 2019, numbers not yet available

GLOBECOM 2019, 55 submissions (+57% with respect to GC'18)

ICC 2020, TPC chair Dr. Honggang Wang

GLOBECOM 2020, TPC chair, Dr. Andrea Sciarrone;

ICC 2021, TPC chair Dr. Sudip Misra (nominated)

## 8. Distinguished Lecturers

The Chair presents the three Distinguished Lecturers:

- Prof. J. P. C. Rodrigues, 2018-2019
- Dr. Giorgio Quer, 2018-2019
- Prof. Honggang Wang, 2019-2020

## 8. New TC Officers Elections

The election of the new officers will be held during GlobeCom 2019, Waikoloa, HI, USA.

The N&E is composed as follow:

- Prof. Hsi-Pin Ma, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
- Prof. Joel J. P. C. Rodrigues, National Institute of Telecommunications, Brazil; Instituto de Telecomunicações, Portugal
- Dr. Christos Verikoukis, Telecommunications Technological Centre of Catalonia, Spain
- Prof. Augusto Neto, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, Brazil
- Dr. Igor Bisio, Università degli Studi di Genova, Italy

## 7. Any other business

None.

## 8. Adjourn

The meeting is concluded at 13:30. The next meeting will be in GlobeCom 2019, Waikoloa, HI, USA.

## **Attendees List:**

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