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2 Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting of the Transmission, Access and Optical Systems (TAOS) Technical Committee (TC) was held at ICEC, Sultan IV room, Istanbul, Turkey, during the ICC 2006 Conference on 12 June 2006 from 10.00am to 11.15am.

The chair M. Guizani welcomed the participants. All present to the meeting introduced themselves.

The minutes of the TAOS meeting at Globecom 2005 were distributed (already posted on the TAOS web site at http://www.comsoc.org/~taos/). The minutes were approved.

The vice-chair S. Bregni reported about current involvement of TAOS in major IEEE ComSoc conferences. TAOS endorses symposia in all ICC and GLOBECOM conferences and cooperates actively to their technical management, by providing TPC members and chairs, as outlined in the following.

- ICC2006, Istanbul, Turkey: TAOS endorsed the Optical Systems and Networks symposium (S. Bregni, co-chair) in cooperation with the Optical Networking TC (ONTC) and the Communications, Switching and Routing (CS&R) TC, and the Wireless Ad-Hoc and Sensor Networks symposium (M. Guizani, co-chair). It was pointed out that this OSN symposium received almost 200 papers submitted, almost twice as in any previous ICC/Globecom symposia on optical systems and networks.
- GLOBECOM 2006, S. Francisco, USA: TAOS endorsed the General Conference on Emerging Technologies and the Advanced Technologies & Protocols for Optical Networks symposium, in cooperation with ONTC.
- ICC 2007, Glasgow, UK: TAOS endorsed the Optical Networks and Systems symposium (S. Bregni, co-chair) in cooperation with ONTC and the CS&R TC.
- GLOBECOM 2007, Washington, DC, USA: TAOS proposed two symposia, namely Optical Communication Systems and Networks, in cooperation with the CS&R TC, and Emerging Technologies for Access and Home Networks, in cooperation with the Power Lines Communications (PLC) TC.
IEEE International Symposium on Power Line Communication and Its Applications (ISPLC 2006), Orlando, FL, USA: TAOS endorsed ISPLC 2006 with the PLC TC.

S. Kartalopoulos, area co-editor of IEEE Optical Communications (quarterly supplement to IEEE Communications Magazine), informed that this supplement was terminated on Dec. 2005.

S. Bregni reported that:

- he is Distinguished Lecturer of IEEE ComSoc;
- he is voting member of the Globecom/ICC Technical Content (GITC) committee of IEEE ComSoc;
- he regularly updates the TAOS email list and web site.

S. Bregni pointed out that there is a strong need of cooperation with other TCs, in proposing symposia and workshops in future conferences and in particular in ICC and GLOBECOM. He invited all participants to submit new ideas and proposals to this aim.

M. Guizani informed the participants to the meeting that the organizers of the 5th Annual Conference on Communication Networks and Services Research (CNSR 2007), Fredericton, N. Brunswick, Canada, May 14-17, 2007, asked TAOS to endorse the conference, in order to apply for ComSoc technical sponsorship. Having reviewed the proposed TPC and call for papers, the meeting approved. TAOS will provide some TPC members, to make its endorsement effective.

Meeting adjourned at 11.15am.