

**Technical Committee on Communications Software (TCS)**  
**Minutes from the meeting at GC 2015**  
**San Diego, CA, USA.**

Monday December 8, 2015 @ 12 pm.  
Room: Gaslamp 1.

The following meeting agenda was proposed and accepted.

- Opening / Introduction
- Review / Approval of minutes of last meeting held @ ICC 2015
- Conference updates:
  - a. GLOBECOM 2016, ICC 2016
  - b. Other conferences, workshops
- Special Interest Groups (SIG) activities
- TC Awards
- Adjourn

**Opening and introduction**

Prof. Linda Mokdad welcomed attendees and opened meeting.

**1. Introduction**

All participants introduced themselves. The list of the attendees is given below:

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## **2. Approval of last meeting minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting was presented by Linda and approved by all the participants.

## **3. Report on conferences and workshops**

The upcoming major events in which TCS is involved are: ICC 2016 and Globecom 2016.

TCS is co-sponsoring one symposium:

- Communications Software, Services and Multimedia Symposium. Since the precedent chair was not present, no information is available on the persons nominated by the TCS for ICC 2016 and Globecom 2016.

TCS is endorsing several others conferences.

- IEEE International Conference on Telecommunications (ICT), to be held in Tessaloniki, Greece, 2016

## **4. SIG activities**

Linda Mokdad introduced the different SIG activities of the TCS. Then, Linda invited the coordination who were present in the room to detail their activities:

- Hacene Fouchal for "Communication software for Vehicular AdHoc Networks"
- Adlen Ksentini for "NFV and DSN technologies"
- Jalel Benothman for "Security in Software Communication"
- Periklis Chatzimisios for "Communication Software for Big Data"

## **5. WebSite and the news letter**

The TC website (<http://committees.comsoc.org/commsoft/> /) is continuously updated by the TC secretary. The current membership records contain ~70 members. Adlen

encouraged TC members to visit often the website and to feel free to make comment and suggestions to improve it.

## **6. Other Business**

Hossam Hassanein raised the question about the reduction of the number of submissions to the Communications Software, Services and Multimedia Symposium symposium endorsed by the TCS committee. Indeed, the number of submissions has severally decreased for GC 2015 and ICC 2016. The TCS officers replied to this question by the fact that the persons nominated, for chairing the symposium, by the TC were not selected for both conferences. Even the TC is endorsing this CSSMS, the officers do not have any control on the persons who are chairing the symposium.

It was decided that Linda Mokdad will send an email informing the GITC about this situation and the fact that most of the nominated persons, who are very relevant to chair the Symposium, are not selected.

## **7. Awards**

Two awards "TC Software Communication Technical achievement award" have been given to:

- Prof. Azzedine Boukerche for his contributions to the theory and design of video streaming, service discover communication protocols with application to intelligent transportation systems
- Prof. Sherali Zeadally for his contributions to communication software and protocols for vehicular AdHc Networks (VANETs)

## **8. Closing**

The meeting was adjourned at 2 pm.