Technical Committee on Communications Software (TCS)
Minutes from the meeting at ICC 2016
Kuala Lampur, Malaysia.

Wednesday 25, May, 2016 @ 12 am.
Room: Quartz Room.

The following meeting agenda was proposed and accepted.
- Opening / Introduction
- Review / Approval of minutes of last meeting held @ GC2015
- Conference updates:
  a. GLOBECOM 2016, ICC 2016
  b. Other conferences, workshops
- Special Interest Groups (SIG) activities
- Next officer election
- Adjourn

Opening and introduction

On behalf of the TCS Chair (Linda Mokdad, excused), Prof. Hacène Fouchal (Vice Chair) 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 Hacene and approved by all the participants.

3. Report on conferences and workshops
The upcoming major events in which TCS is involved are: ICC 2017 and Globecom 2017.

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 2017. Adlen Ksentini was nominated a and Globecom 2017.

TCS is endorsing several others conferences.

4. SIG activities
Hacene Fouchal introduced the different SIG activities of the TCS. Then, Hacene invited Scott Fowler the coordinator, who invited the present in the room to detail their activities:
- Hacene Fouchal for "Communication software for Vehicular AdHoc Networks"
- Adlen Ksentini for "NFV and SDN 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/commssoft/) 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
- Scott Fowler points out that the SIG description is not updated on the website. Adlen Ksentini will check and verify that the website includes latest information on the SIG activities.
- A discussion is launched in order to reactivate the newsletter. Lyes Khoukhi proposes that CFP for contribution should be disseminated over the TCS mailing list.

7. Officer election
Hacène Fouchal recalled that an election is to be scheduled in the next TCS meeting in Globecom 2016 (Washington). The three officer positions are concerned (Chair, Vice-Chair and secretary). Only TCS active members are eligible to be candidate. According to COMSOC rules, an active member of a TC is a person who attended physically two meeting over the five last meetings. The TCS will send an email through the mailing list to detail the needed procedure in order to be candidate.

8. Closing
The meeting was adjourned at 2 pm.