

Technical Committee on Information Infrastructure (TCII)

Minutes from the meeting at ICC 2009 Dresden, Germany.

Monday, June 15, 2009 @ 14:00

Konferenz 7&8, Convention Center, Dresden, Germany

The following meeting agenda was proposed and accepted.

- Opening / Introduction
- Review / Approval of minutes of last meeting (ICC 2008)
- Conference updates:
 - a- ICC'09, GLOBECOM'09, ICC'10, GLOBECOM'10
 - b- TCII flagship conference: GIIS'09
 - c- Other conferences and workshops
- GAP Project: summary of working group meetings
- Web site & mailing list
- Other Business
- Adjourn

1. Opening and introduction

Bob and Yacine welcomed the attendees and opened meeting.

2. Introduction

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

- Pascal Lorenz, University of Haute Alsace, (France), lorenz@ieee.org
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- Sidi-Mohammed Senouci, Orange Labs, (France), sidimohammed.senouci@orange-ftgroup.com
- Robert Walp, GCI – Alaska (U.S.A.), (Vice-Chair) r.walp@ieee.org
- Yacine Ghamri Doudane, ENSIIE (France), (Secretary, preparing these minutes) ghamri@ensiie.fr

3. Approval of last meeting minutes

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

4. Report on conferences

In ICC 2009, TCII is endorsing two symposiums:

- Communication and Information Systems Security Symposium: Raouf Boutaba is co-chairing this symposium with Stefanos Gritzalis, Jiankun Hu, and Peter Müller. Security is a major topic in TCII due to its importance in Information Infrastructure (topic gaining importance). The CIS Symposium received a very nice number of paper submissions (285 papers) and 100 papers had been accepted (16 sessions).
- Symposium on Selected Areas in Communications: Yacine Ghamri-Doudane (TCII Secretary) is co-chairing this symposium with Gabriel Jakobson, K.P. Subbalakshmi, Madjid Merabti, and Sedat Oelcer. TCII is handling the « vehicular Communications » area in this symposium. The SAC Symposium received 124 submissions and 45 papers had been accepted (7 sessions).

In 2007, TCII launched its flagship symposium: Global Information Infrastructure Symposium – GIIS'07. It had been held in July 2007 in Marrakech, Morocco. It was technically co-Sponsored by IEEE ComSoc and had been attended by 100 attendees and had a 30% acceptance ratio. After this success, a second edition of the Global Information Infrastructure Symposium is planned for the week following ICC'09 (June 22 to 26, 2009) in Hammamet, Tunisia. GIIS'09 received 90+ submissions and will be organized around 2 tracks: policy track (~10 papers) and technology

track (~30 papers) in addition to some posters. One workshop, three high quality tutorials, three keynotes (3) and a panel are planned. A very strong local participation is also expected.

Last but not least, TCII is also co-sponsoring the “1st International Workshop on Green Communications (GreenComm)” that is co-located with ICC 2009 (June 18, 2009) in Dresden, Germany. It is co-chaired by Jürgen Quittek, Roberto Saracco, Ken Christensen, Ernesto Zimmermann. GreenComm 2009 statistics are the following: 43 papers submitted with 14 papers accepted (30% acceptance ratio). Green Communications encompasses different important aspects at various levels: research, institutional.... TCII is a platform for such initiative. We remind that a new webpage on the topic had been added to the TCII website since our TC meeting in ICC 2008. GreenComm 2009. A 2nd workshop is planned to be held during Globecom 2009 in Hawaii, U.S.A.

5. Next conferences

The next major events in which TCII is involved are: Globecom 2009, ICC 2010 and Globecom 2010.

In Globecom 2009, TCII is involved in the organizing committee with the participation of Doug Zuckerman (General Chair), Mehmet Ulema (Technical Program Chair and GITC advisor), Raouf Boutaba (Finance Chair), Bob Walp (Professional Development Chair), Guenter Schaeffer (Student Travel Grant Chair), Roberto Saracco (Publicity Chair). TCII is co-sponsoring one symposium:

- Ad hoc, Sensor and Mesh Networks Symposium: Nizar Bouabdalah, is co-chairing this symposium with Azzedine Boukerche, Chunxiao (Tricia) Chigan and Ashfaq Khokhar.

Guenter Schaeffer, TCII member and former officer, is co-chairing with Abderrahim Benslimane, Stamatis Kartalopoulos and Qingming Ma the “Communication and Information System Security Symposium”.

In ICC 2010, TCII is co-sponsoring one symposium:

- Symposium on Selected Areas in Communications: Yacine Ghamri-Doudane (TCII Secretary) is co-chairing this symposium with Tarik Taleb, Sumit Roy, Chunming Qiao and Riccardo Raheli. TCII is handling the « vehicular Communications » track in this symposium.

Finally, in Globecom 2010, TCII is co-sponsoring one symposium:

- Symposium on Selected Areas in Communications: Sidi-Mohammed Senouci will be co-chairing this symposium. TCII is handling the « vehicular Communications » track in this symposium.

6. TCII Main Themes: Green Communications & Closing the Digital Divide

After having introduced quickly both TCII themes, Green Communications & Closing the Digital Divide, Yacine invited Bob Walp to report on the Global Access Plan (GAP) project working group meeting that is related to “closing the digital divide” theme. Bob reminded the objectives of GAP: (i) promote the development of telecommunications, and (ii) provide the users with services. A project proposal to the IEEE New Incentives Process had been submitted but the project had not been funded. A working group had been set-up to build-in to continue such effort.

A bench of people had been invited to participate to this working group, which targets the set up of a pilot-project on “subsidizing telecommunications”, they met for the first time this morning (Monday, June 15, from 8:00 to 11:00).

7. Website and Mailing List

The TC website (<http://www.ensiie.fr/~tcii/>) and mailing list (tcii@weblrms2.ensiie.fr) are continuously updated by the TC secretary (Yacine Ghamri-Doudane). Yacine encouraged TC members to visit often the website and to feel free to make comment and suggestions to improve it.

8. Other Business

No particular point added by the attendance.

9. Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 15:00 PM