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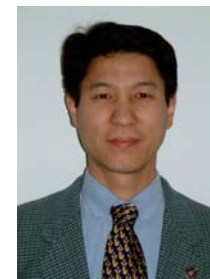
## I. Hot Topic

### 1. *Message from AP Director, Zhisheng Niu*

First of all, as the new director of IEEE Communication Society Asia Pacific Board (APB) during 2008-2009, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year 2008 to all our members in this region. Also, I would like to express my gratitude to all the past APB officers (especially to my predecessor Prof. Daehyoung Hong) as well as many earnest volunteers involved in the APB related activities. Due to their great contributions, the AP region has been continuously recognized as one of the fastest growing regions in terms of both membership development and membership services.

In this respect, we are now in the next stage to further expand our highly-recognized technical activities, membership development activities, information services, and chapter coordination so as to provide better services to the existing 9,000+ members as well as to attract more new members. No doubt, this will bring us a lot of challenges. But, on the other hand, we are surrounded by many opportunities too. For instance, ICC2008 will be held in Beijing from May 19-23, during which near 2,000 guests are expected to visit our region. Three month later, the 29<sup>th</sup> Olympic Summer Games will come to Beijing again. These will definitely provide us very good opportunities to further promote our region as well as to strengthen the collaboration inside our region.

To achieve these goals, a strong volunteer team is extremely important and prerequisite. Fortunately, with the helps from our advisors, the following volunteers have agreed to devote their precious time and experience to lead the respective committees, while much more volunteers will be invited to join with them soon.



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(Note: MDC: Membership Development Committee; CCC: Chapter Coordination Committee; TAC: Technical Activity Committee; MCC: Meeting & Conference Committee; ISC: Information Service Committee)

I do hope you are satisfied with this new team and expect your strong supports and contributions. We will do our best for sure and let us work together in a more effective way to create an even brilliant future of our AP region.

Thank you very much in advance for your strong supports and collaboration.

Sincerely yours,

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## II. Action Plan of APB 2008

### 1. Technical Activity Committee

Reported by Prof. Qian Zhang

#### 1.1 TAC Action Plan

Technical Activity Committee (TAC) has the following action plans.

1. TAC will select some outstanding active young researchers for the Asia Pacific Young Researcher Award. Call for applicants of the award is shown in this newsletter.
2. TAC will help Comsoc to promote the BAS session at Globecom2008 or ICC 2009. One candidate subject of the session is on "Challenges and opportunities for the development of next-generation mobile and wireless communication in Asia/Pacific".
3. TAC will continue to update the list of reviewers in Asia Pacific region. Furthermore, TAC will support reviewing papers and recommending session chairs and organizers for technical workshops that are sponsored by APB in AP region.

#### 1.2 CFA for the Asia Pacific Young Researcher Award

APB-TAC (Technical Affair Committee) invites applicants for the Best Young Researcher Award as follows:

- Eligibility criteria: Young researchers who have been very active in ComSoc publication and conference activities over the last 3 years are candidates.
- Age limit is 35.
- Applicants must be members in the Asia/Pacific region (Several outstanding young researcher awards can be issued at the same time.)
- Award Emoluments.
- Best young researcher awardee will receive a certificate and US\$500.
- Outstanding young researcher awardee will receive a certificate and \$250.
- Award ceremony will be held during APB meeting or banquet of conference in AP region.

Please send the following items to Prof. Qian Zhang, IEEE ComSoc APB TAC Chair (see below) by March 1, 2009.

- Applicant's biography.
- A list of publication and conference activities over the last 3 years, and a hard copy of the activities.
- Main topics / thesis of last 3yrs study.
- The cover page should contain the applicant's name, affiliation, address, telephone, fax number and e-mail address.

Questions and submission should be directed to:

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## 2. Meetings & Conferences Committee

Reported by Prof. Song Chong

### 2.1 Mission of MCC

- to distribute information on IEEE ComSoc supported international meetings and conferences to AP Regional ComSoc members
- to coordinate and support IEEE ComSoc supported international meetings and conferences in the AP region, including the APCC, ISPACS, EOCC, and APNOMS.
- to pursue the visibility of the APB in the above international conferences.
- to perform their statistical analyses for the ComSoc's major conferences including ICC, GLOBECOM, and INFOCOM, and the above AP Regional conferences.
- to develop empirical knowledge database of the ComSoc's major conferences including ICC, GLOBECOM, and INFOCOM, and the above AP Regional conferences by collecting the meeting reports.

#### ICC 2008 Final Acceptance by 1<sup>st</sup> Author (10 March)

Location	Accepted	Submitted	Ratio
USA	282	505	0.558
P.R. China	156	1012	0.154
Canada	133	205	0.649
UK	63	135	0.467
Italy	52	96	0.542
Korea	45	143	0.315
Taiwan	38	149	0.255
Singapore	35	84	0.417
France	34	89	0.382
Australia	34	72	0.472
Hong Kong	34	68	0.500
Japan	32	85	0.376
Germany	32	57	0.561
India	11	57	0.193
Belgium	11	21	0.524
Spain	10	23	0.435
Sweden	9	18	0.500
Greece	8	24	0.333
Brazil	8	16	0.500
Norway	7	14	0.500
Denmark	7	12	0.583
Iran	6	48	0.125
Finland	6	19	0.316

Location	Accepted	Submitted	Ratio
Netherlands	5	15	0.333
New Zealand	4	11	0.364
Poland	4	7	0.571
Portugal	4	7	0.571
Turkey	3	10	0.300
Pakistan	3	8	0.375
Austria	3	5	0.600
Ireland	3	5	0.600
Argentina	3	3	1.000
Malaysia	2	15	0.133
Lebanon	2	6	0.333
Hungary	2	3	0.667
Chile	2	3	0.667
Thailand	1	9	0.111
Switzerland	1	5	0.200
Israel	1	5	0.200
United Arab Emirates	1	3	0.333
South Africa	1	3	0.333
Puterto Rico	1	2	0.500
Yugoslavia	1	2	0.500
Macedonia	1	1	1.000
Uruguay	1	1	1.000
Others	0	54	0.000

### Accepted Papers

- All authors of accepted papers are counted, regardless of whether they are first, second, ... author)

Location	Authors	%
USA	785	26.3
P.R. China	380	12.7
Canada	349	11.7
Italy	163	5.5
UK	161	5.4
Korea	131	4.4
Taiwan	104	3.5
Hong Kong	95	3.2
France	92	3.1
Singapore	91	3.0
Japan	86	2.9
Germany	84	2.8
Australia	82	2.7
Belgium	40	1.3
Spain	33	1.1
India	31	1.0
Sweden	28	0.9

Location	Authors	%
Denmark	25	0.8
Greece	25	0.8
Brazil	20	0.7
Portugal	17	0.6
Finland	16	0.5
New Zealand	16	0.5
Netherlands	16	0.5
Ireland	12	0.5
Norway	10	0.3
Iran	9	0.3
Poland	9	0.3
Argentina	8	0.3
Switzerland	7	0.2
Austria	7	0.2
Chile	6	0.2
Turkey	6	0.2
Pakistan	6	0.2

Location	Authors	%
Qatar	5	0.2
Malaysia	4	0.1
Israel	4	0.1
South Africa	3	0.1
Hungary	3	0.1
Puerto	3	0.1
UAE	3	0.1
Lebanon	3	0.1
Macedonia	2	0.1
Algeria	2	0.1
Tunisia	2	0.1
Cyprus	1	0.0
Uruguay	1	0.0
?	1	0.0
Serbia & Montenegro	1	0.0
Thailand	1	0.0

### Papers Submitted and Accepted by Region (by 1<sup>st</sup> Author)

Paper Submitted by Region

Region	Authors	%
Asia/Pacific	3690	50.1
Europe, Middle East, Africa	1716	23.3
United States	1337	18.1
Canada	548	7.4
Latin America	73	1.0

Paper Accepted by Region

Region	Authors	%
Asia/Pacific	1027	34.4
Europe, Middle East, Africa	789	26.4
United States	785	26.3
Canada	349	11.7
Latin America	38	1.3

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### 3. Chapter Coordination Committee

Reported by Prof. Abbas Jamalipour

#### 3.1 Mission of CCC

- to plan and coordinate the Regional Chapter meeting once a year where possible
- to collaborate with the AP Office in running the DLT program
- to support the AP Office in organizing Executives' visit to Chapters

Last year we were very successful in accommodating all the above mission items. A total of six Distinguished Lecture Tours and one pilot program of technical presentation using the IEEE Internet Conferencing Service have been organized in the Asia Pacific Region. These are reported in the previous issues of the Newsletter and also some in Section III of this issue of the Newsletter.

Co-located with the IEEE Wireless Communications and Networking Conference (WCNC2007), in March 2007 we have organized the 2007 Asia Pacific Regional Chapters Chair Congress (AP RCCC2007) at Sheraton Hong Kong Hotel & Tower, Hong Kong. The meeting was a very successful gathering of twenty chapter chairs and the Society executives including the Society President Nim Cheung, VP - Membership Development Byeong Gi Lee, Director of Marketing Robert Shapiro, APB Director Daehyoung Hong. During the one-day event important decisions were made in order to improve and promote the activities of the Society in this emerging region.

#### 3.2 CCC Action Plan

- to continue assistance in selection and organization of high level Distinguished Lecturer Tours in the region
- to negotiate with the APB Director for funding for the next Asia Pacific Regional Chapters Chair Congress
- to plan for organizing the next regional chapter meeting once or twice during 2008-2009 period
- to search and assist in organizing executives' visits to Chapters
- to find alternative and less expensive methods for Chapter Chairs meetings

Till now, in collaboration with the AP Office, we have planned and received the approval for the following four DLT programs for 2008 which shows a very good start to a successful program for the year:

- Khaled B. Letaief, delegate of the IEEE TA/MGA, visit and technical talks in Thailand and Vietnam (DLT without ComSoc funding), 29 May - 4 June, 2008.
- Norman Beaulieu, DLT Australia (South Australia, North Queensland, Queensland, and New South Wales Chapters), 1-14 August 2008.
- Celia Desmond, India and Pakistan (Delhi, Bombay, and Bangalore Chapters), 27 May - 14 June 2008.
- Lajos Hanzo, Singapore and China (Singapore, Chengdu, and Beijing Chapters), 9-23 May, 2008.

Unfortunately due to the time constraint, we could not get the funding approval in time for having the regional chapters meeting during ICC2008 in Beijing. However, as some of Chapter Chairs will be attending the APB meeting during ICC2008, we hope that this becomes a venue for some useful discussion among the Chapter Chairs and other APB members. The CCC is looking at other conferences to be held in the region where the regional chapters meeting can be accommodated, including APCC2008. If you have any suggestion please send it to the CCC Chair.

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#### 4. Information Services Committee (ISC)

Reported by Dr. Kohei Shiimoto

##### 4.1 Mission of ISC

- to manage and update the AP Region Homepage to provide new and important information for the AP Regional ComSoc members
- to publish and distribute the AP Region email news
- to publish and distribute AP Newsletters
- to provide a liaison to the IEEE Global Communication Newsletter (GCN)
- to collaborate with the AP Office in information service related matters
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##### 4.2 ISC Action Plan

###### 1. Newsletter

###### (1) Editing and Publication of AP Newsletter

- Published twice a year, distributed at ICC and GLOBECOM

###### 2. Homepage (www.comsoc.org/-apb)

###### (1) APB Homepage Enhancement and Maintenance

- Newsletter archive
- Upcoming APB meeting announcement
- APB Meeting minutes archive
- APB Committee activity update
- Conference information particularly in AP region
- Call for papers/participation particularly in AP region
- Others

###### (2) APB email news: apb-announcement@ieee.org

(See <http://www.comsoc.org/-apb/maillinglist/> for archives)

- Dissemination of call for papers/participation under approval of AP Director
- Homepage update announcement to members (approximately bi-monthly publication)
- Approval of subscription requests
- Others

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#### 5. Membership Development Committee

Reported by Dr. Raghavan Muralidharan

##### 5.1 Mission of MDC

- to manage the AP Regional e-mail system containing all AP Regional ComSoc members
- to provide information and analyze statistics related to membership in the AP Region and overall

- to collaborate with the ISC and the AP Office in relation to information distribution
- to coordinate with other ComSoc organizations in developing Sister Societies

##### 5.2 MDC Action Plan

- establishment of a chapter in Hyderabad, India
- establishment of a full chapter in Bangalore, India (change from a joint chapter)
- advertise the success of "IndustryNow" program that was kick started in India
- enroll some more companies in India into the IndustryNow program
- Initiate the industryNow program in China, Korea and Japan
- motivate Associate members to be elevated to Members for retention. Thus they get to vote and hold offices.
- motivate Members to apply for SMs, again for retention. Section rebate for SMs is more by \$1

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#### III. Report on Distinguished Lecturer Tour (DLT)

Reported by IEEE APO - as at 8 May 2008

In 2007, Communications Society approved 6 Distinguished Lecture Tours for the Asia Pacific Region, and pilot 1 technical presentation using the IEEE Internet Conferencing Service.

The DLT #1 by Roth Glitho, DLT #2 by Nirwan Ansari and the pilot Internet presentation by Raj Jain were reported in the previous issues of the AP Newsletter.

The DLT #3 by Vijay Bhargava, DLT #4 by Celia Desmond (cancelled), DLT #5 by Anthony Ephremides and DLT #6 by Bumip Khasnabish are reported as follows:

AP DLT #3: 12<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> November 2007

Lecturer - Vijay Bhargava

Hosting Chapter	2007 Chapter Chair
Tainan ComSoc Chapter	Kuei-Chiang Lai
Taipei ComSoc Chapter	Po-Ning Chen
Hong Kong ComSoc Chapter	Jerome Liu

The DLT covered Tainan, Taipei and Hong Kong. The lecture entitled "Research Challenges in Cognitive Radio Networks" was delivered in the following locations:

1. Tainan, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2007,
2. Taipei - National Taiwan University, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2007,
3. Hsinchu - National Chiao-Tung University, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2007, and

Report from Po-Ning Chen, 2006/2007 Chair of the IEEE ComSoc Taipei Chapter

Due to the requests from many local members, Taipei and Tainan ComSoc Chapter Chairs, together with IEEE IT- Soc Taipei Chapter Chair and Director of the Communication Research Center at NTU, jointly initiated a DLT for Professor Vijay Bhargava of University of British Columbia (Canada).

This request was graciously approved by IEEE ComSoc - Director of the Membership Programs Development, Dr. Shri Goyal; AP ComSoc Director, Prof. Daehyoung Hong; and AP ComSoc Chapters Coordination Committee Chair, Prof. Abbas Jamalipour. Ms. Carole Swaim (The ComSoc Senior Administrator), Ms. Fanny Su (Manager, IEEE APO) and Ms. Serena Dhing (Project / Administrative Executive, IEEE APO) have kindly helped us to co-ordinate this DLT.

Many local universities were enthusiastic to hosting him. Among these were Prof. Chung-Ju Chang (Director of the Nanoelectronics and Infotronic Systems Research Center, NCTU), Prof. Jason Yi-Bing Lin (Dean of the College of Computer Science, NCTU), and Prof. Ching-Fu Chang (President of NCNU). Unfortunately, due Prof. Bhargava's tight schedule he was not able to meet all of them. Therefore in order to benefit more members around the island, three lectures were arranged to be held - Tainan, Taipei, and Hsinchu.

The Tainan lecture was hosted by Prof. Kuei-Chiang Lai, IEEE ComSoc Tainan Chapter Chair, Prof. Jhy-Horng Wen Past IEEE ComSoc Tainan Chapter Chair, Prof. Szu-Lin Su (NCKU) and Prof. Chih-Pen Li (NSYSU). Through the masterful and intriguing guidance of Prof. Bhargava, the members in southern Taiwan now have a better understanding of the promising research area of cognitive radio.

The Taipei Lecture was hosted in person by the IEEE Taipei Section Chair, Prof. Ruey-Beei Wu, and other staff of NTU, including Prof. Char-Dir Chung.

The last lecture was held in Hsinchu, which was hosted by Prof. Chung-Ju Chang (Director of the Nanoelectronics and Infotronic Systems Research Center, NCTU), Prof. Jason Yi-Bing Lin (Dean of the College of Computer Science, NCTU), and other NCTU faculty members including Prof. Yu-Ted Su, Prof. Stefan Moser and Prof. Chung-Hsuan Wang. Most of the professors in NCTU and NTHU in this research area have attended the lecture, with attendance at around 150.

4. **Hong Kong - City University of Hong Kong, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2007.**

There were over 20 participants / audiences with a good mix of students, university lecturers, professional and researchers. The feedback survey from participants was that the presentation was excellent.

**AP DLT #4: Scheduled Plan 3<sup>rd</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> December 2007**

Lecturer - Celia Desmond

Hosting Chapter	2007 Chapter Chair
Lahore ComSoc Chapter	Tariq M Jadoon
Islamabad Section	Saleem Tariq
Delhi ComSoc Chapter / Delhi Section	Ram Gopal Gupta

Due to unforeseen circumstances, this DLT was cancelled. The DLT entitled "Trends in the Telecommunications Industry" was scheduled to cover Lahore, Islamabad and Delhi.

1. Lahore, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - National University of Computer & Emerging Sciences
2. Lahore, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - Lahore University of Management Sciences
3. Lahore, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - University of Engineering & Technology
4. Islamabad, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - Muhammad Ali Jinnah university
5. Islamabad, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - University of Engineering & Technology, Peshawar
6. Islamabad, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - NUST Institute of Information Technology, Rawalpindi
7. Delhi, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2007

**AP DLT #5: 18<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2007**

Lecturer - Anthony Ephremides

Hosting Chapter	2007 Chapter Chair
Indonesia ComSoc Chapter, Jakarta	Muhammad Ary Murti
Calcutta ComSoc Chapter, India	Debashis Saha
Malaysia ComSoc Chapter, Kuala Lumpur	Borhanuddin Bin Mohd Ali

The DLT covered Jakarta, Calcutta and Kuala Lumpur. The lecture entitled "Crossing the Layers in Wireless Network Studies" was delivered in the following locations:

1. **Calcutta, 18<sup>th</sup> December 2007,**
  - o Audience Size
    - More than 20 from academia
    - Between 16 to 20 from industry
  - o There were more participants from academia as the topic suited them better
  - o Calcutta ComSoc Chapter has promoted IEEE ComSoc Membership during this event and has recruited some new members during this lecture
2. **Kuala Lumpur, 21<sup>st</sup> December 2007;**
3. **Jakarta, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2007;**
  - o Audience Size
    - More than 20 from academia
    - Less than 5 from industry
  - o There were more participants from academia as the topic suited them better

**AP DLT #6: 12<sup>th</sup> December 2007 - 14<sup>th</sup> January 2008**

Lecturer - Bhumip Khasnabish

Hosting Chapter	2007 Chapter Chair
Madras ComSoc Chapter	Sivan Ramachandran
Bangalore Section	Ramakrishna Kappagantu (Section Vice Chair)
Calcutta ComSoc Chapter	Debashis Saha

The DLT covered Madras, Bangalore and Calcutta, in India. The lecture entitled "Converged Services and NGN: Implementation and Implications" was delivered in the following locations:

1. **Madras, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2007,**



### Report from IEEE Madras ComSoc Chapter

An IEEE Distinguished Lecture Program was organized on 14th December 2007 at Hotel Sangeetha Residency Myslapore, by IEEE Communications Society Madras Chapter in association with IEEE Madras Section, IEEE Computer Society Madras Chapter and Computer Society of India Chennai Chapter. The speaker was Dr. Bhumip Khasnabish, Distinguished Member of Technical Staff at Verizon Laboratories, Waltham, Massachusetts, USA.

The topic of the presentation was "Convergence Services and Next Generation Networks - Implementation and Implications". Dr. Bhumip presented a complete overview of the infrastructure required for implementing Voice Over IP, detailing the different standard organizations and their architecture, including Verizon's approach for implementing VoIP services. He also presented another disruptive technology, IPTV, explaining the various approaches taken by standards bodies, and presented an interesting "0-1-2-3" user-experience requirements that are required to be satisfied to make these technologies a success. He finally presented a comprehensive list of issues in implementation of these technologies and the possible solutions, which aim to address these challenges.

The presentation was extremely well structured by dividing it into three sections and encouraging question and answer sessions after each section. The event was well attended by around 60 IEEE and CSI members. Attendees enthusiastically participated in the Q&A sessions and appreciated the usefulness of the information provided in the lecture. Dr. Bhumip also provided a detailed list of website links at the end of the lecture. The entire lecture was video-recorded and will be later made available on the IEEE COMSOC website for the benefit of the members.

Earlier, Mr. Sivan, Chair of the IEEE Communications Society Madras Chapter welcomed the gathering and introduced the speaker. Mr. H.R. Mohan, Chair of the IEEE Computer Society Madras Chapter, presented mementos to the speaker on behalf of IEEE and CSI. Mr. Ramasamy, Secretary of Computer Society of

India Chennai chapter gave the vote of thanks. The meeting was followed by dinner which provided an opportunity for members to interact with each other and the speaker in an informal way.

2. Bangalore, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2007;

3. Calcutta, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2008;

### Report from Debashis Saha, IEEE Calcutta ComSoc Chapter Chair

IEEE Communications Society Calcutta Chapter organized a DLT-2008 on 05<sup>th</sup> January 2008 in collaboration with Tata Consultancy Services at Tata Consultancy Services, Kolkata from 10am to 4 pm. The program was a tutorial on Converged Services and NGN: Implementations and Implications. The speaker was Dr. Bhumip Khasnabish from Verizon Laboratories, Waltham, USA. He is a Distinguished Member of Technical Staff, IEEE.

The program was a big success with participants consisting of:

- 40 from Tata Consultancy Services,      - 2 from IBM,
- 1 from Bose Telecom,                      - 2 from BSNL,
- 2 from Rebeca Technologies,              - 2 from PWC,
- 4 from Wipro Technologies,                - 4 from Indian Institute of Management Calcutta,
- 62 from Jadavpur University,              - 1 from NSEC,
- 1 from IIT-KGP,                                - 1 from Heritage Institute of Technology,
- 1 from Pune University,                    - 1 from Dhaka University,
- 5 from Bhirbhum Institute of technology and - 2 from Brudwan University.

The program was very interactive and the participants asked queries on the present and upcoming industry standards and hurdles in implementing them.

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This year, 2008, Communications Society has planned to have at least 4 Distinguished Lecture Tours for the Asia Pacific Region. Currently, we have 3 approved DLTs: DLT#1 by Celia Desmond to visit India(Delhi, Bombay and Bangalore), DLT #2 by Lajos Hanzo to visit Singapore, Chengdu(China) and Beijing (China), DLT #3 by Norman Beaulieu to visit Australia (Adelaide, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney).

### **AP DLT #1: Scheduled Plan 27<sup>th</sup> May - 14<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

Lecturer - Celia Desmond

Hosting Chapter	2008 Chapter Chair
Delhi ComSoc Chapter / Delhi Section	Ram Gopal Gupta
Bombay ComSoc Chapter	Ashok Jagatia
Bangalore ComSoc Chapter / Bangalore Section	Ravikiran A

Celia Desmond's DLT entitled "Trends in the Telecommunications Industry" will take her to Delhi, Bombay and Bangalore.

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### **AP DLT #2: Scheduled Plan 9<sup>th</sup> May - 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2008**

Lecturer - Lajos Hanzo

Hosting Chapter	2008 Chapter Chair
Singapore ComSoc Chapter	Cheng Tee Hiang
Chengdu Section	Yangrong Li / Pingzhi Fan
Beijing ComSoc Chapter	Yangcheng Yang

Presentation topics:

Singapore & Chengdu: The Four MIMOs - Myths and Realities.

Beijing: Adaptive modulation and coding for HSDPA-style cross-layer-optimized MIMO-aided intelligent networking

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### **AP DLT #3: Scheduled Plan 1<sup>st</sup> August - 14<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

Lecturer - Norman C Beaulieu

Hosting Chapter	2008 Chapter Chair
South Australia	Kutluyil Dogancay
North Queensland ComSoc Chapter	Mohan Jacob
Queensland ComSoc Chapter	Garry A Einicke
New South Wales ComSoc Chapter	Iain Collings

Presentation topic: Designing Ultra-Wide Bandwidth (UWB) Receivers for Multi-User Interference Environments

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AP DLT #4: Scheduled Plan 29<sup>th</sup> May - 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008

Lecturer - Khaled Ben Lataief

Hosting Chapter	2008 Chapter / Section Chair
Vietnam Section	Son Thanh Nguyen Officer: Ta Cao Minh
Thailand Section	Naris Srinual Officer: Ekachai Leelarasmee
Thailand ComSoc Chapter	Sripimanwat Keattisak

Presentation topic: Ubiquitous Communications: The Next Wireless Frontier

1. Thailand Section, Bangkok

29<sup>th</sup> May 2008

- Venue: Chulalongkorn Univeristy

30<sup>th</sup> May 2008

- Venue: National telecommunication Commission

2. Vietnam Section

Saigon - 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008

- Venue: Ho Chi Minh University of Technology

Saigon - 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008

- Venue: Saigon Hi-Tech Park

Hanoi - 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008

- Venue: Hanoi University of Technology

Hoi An - 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008

- Venue: ICCE 2008

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IV. Upcoming Conferences

• CCNC 2009

<http://www.ieee-ccnc.org/2009/>

11-13 January 2009, Las Vegas, USA

Workshop Proposals Due:	23 May 2008
Special Session Proposals Due:	23 May 2008
Technical Papers Due:	29 June 2008
Technical Panels Due:	17 September 2008
Short Papers Due:	19 September 2008

• ICC 2009

<http://www.comsoc.org/confs/icc/2009/>

14-18 June 2009, Dresden, Germany

Paper submission:	08 September 2008
Acceptance Notification:	15 January 2009
Camera-Ready Papers:	01 March 2009

• ISPLC 2009

<http://www.ieee-isplc.org/2009/>

29 March-1 April 2009, Dresden, Germany

Full paper submission:	28 November 2008
Notification of Acceptance:	3 February 2009
Camera-Ready Submission:	24 February 2009

• GLOBECOM 2009

<http://www.comsoc.org/confs/globecom/2009/>

30 November - 4 December 2009, Honolulu, USA

Full paper submission:	To be advised
Notification of Acceptance:	To be advised
Camera-Ready Submission:	To be advised

• INFOCOM 2009

<http://www.ieee-infocom.org/2009/>

19-25 April 2009, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Paper registration:	August 22, 2008
Full paper submission:	August 29, 2008
Notification of Acceptance:	December 22, 2008

Calendar of Comsoc

Conference Name	Conf Date	CITY	CTRY	CFP Deadline
APSITT 2008	04/22/08 04/24/08	Bandos Island	MV	09/01/07
WTS 2008	04/24/08 04/26/08	Pomona	US	01/21/08
NGI 2008	04/28/08 04/30/08	Krakow	PL	11/30/07

Sarnoff 2008	04/28/08 04/30/08	Princeton	USA	01/10/08
IEEE CQR 2008	04/29/08 05/01/08	Carefree	USA	12/01/07
INCC 2008	05/01/08 05/03/08	Lahore	PK	1/1/08
CNSR 2008	05/05/08 05/08/08	Halifax	CA	12/14/07
WOCN 2008	05/05/08 05/07/08	Surabaya	ID	01/31/08
ISWPC 2008	05/07/08 05/09/08	Santorini	GR	11/02/07
IEEE CTW 2008	05/11/08 05/14/08	Christiansted	VI	03/01/08
K-INGN 2008	05/12/08 05/13/08	Geneva	CH	10/15/07
COMCAS 2008	05/13/08 05/14/08	Tel-Aviv	IL	
WISTP 2008	05/13/08 05/16/08	Seville	ES	01/20/08
WSTS 2008	05/13/08 05/15/08	Broomfield	USA	
HPSR 2008	05/15/08 05/17/08	Shanghai	CN	12/21/07
IEEE ICC	05/19/08 05/23/08	Beijing	CN	09/15/07
IEEE ICCSC	05/26/08 05/28/08	Shanghai	CN	11/17/07
IWQoS 2008	06/02/08 06/04/08	Enschede	NL	01/21/08
IEEE SECON 2008	06/16/08 06/20/08	San Francisco	US	12/11/07
SPECTS 2008	06/16/08 06/18/08	Edinburgh	UK	01/25/08
IEEE ICME 2008	06/23/08 06/26/08	Hannover	DE	01/14/08
AIMS 2008	07/01/08 07/03/08	Bremen	DE	02/10/08
RVIF 2008	07/13/08 07/17/08	HoChiMinh City	VN	02/25/08
SIBIRCON 2008	07/21/08 07/25/08	Novosibirsk	RU	03/01/08
ICADIWT 2008	08/04/08 08/06/08	Ostrava	CZ	04/15/08
ICCCN 2008	08/04/08 08/07/08	St. Thomas	US	02/17/08
IWCMC 2008	08/06/08 08/08/08	Chania	GR	02/01/08

WHNC 2008	08/07/08 08/08/08	Austin	USA	04/06/08
ISSSTA 2008	08/25/08 08/28/08	Bologna	IT	02/01/08
ASMS 2008	08/26/08 08/28/08	Bologna	IT	02/15/08
LANMAN 2008	09/03/08 09/06/08	Cluj-Napoca	RO	02/15/08
BROADNETS 2008	09/08/08 09/11/08	London	UK	03/21/08
ICUWB 2008	09/10/08 09/12/08	Hannover	DE	02/10/08
IEEE PIMRC	09/14/08 09/18/08	Cannes	FR	03/03/08
NGMAST 2008	09/16/08 09/19/08	Cardiff	UK	04/14/08
ICI 2008	09/23/08 09/25/08	Tashkent	UZ	05/31/08
SoftCOM 2008	09/26/08 09/28/08	Split	HR	06/01/08
ATC 2008	10/06/08 10/09/08	Hanoi	VN	05/31/08
APCC 2008	10/14/08 10/16/08	Tokyo	JP	04/30/08
IEEE DySPAN 2008	10/14/08 10/17/08	Chicago	USA	04/15/08
MIC-CSC 2008	10/17/08 10/19/08	Amman	JO	06/17/08
INM 2008	10/19/08	Lake Buena Vista	USA	To be advised
ISWCS 2008	10/21/08 10/24/08	Reykjavik	IS	05/11/08

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