

**IEEE ComSoc Technical Committee on Power Line Communications
Committee meeting
held at 2015 IEEE ISPLC Austin, Texas,
30th of March 2015**

Chair: A. Tonello; Vice-Chair: H. Latchman; Secretary: G. Bumiller.

Attendees:

Alfredo Sanz	ATMEL, Spain
Andrea Tonello	Ecosys lab, Klagenfurt, Austria and WiPli lab, Udine, Italy
Augustin Badenes	Marvell, USA
Augustine Ikpehai	MMU. U.K.
Bamidele Adebisi	MMU, U.K.
Brian Evens	University of Austin, Texas, USA
Gerd Bumiller	University of Applied Sciences Ruhr West, Germany
Han Vinck	University Duisburg Essen, Germany
Haniph Latchman	University of Florida, USA
Hendrik Ferreira	University of Johannesburg, South Africa
Ievgenii Tsokalo	TU Dresden, Germany
Il-Han Kim	Texas Instruments, USA
Keith Kikkert	JCN, Australia
Lutz Lampe	University of British Columbia, Canada
Masaaki Katayama	Nagoya University, Japan
Moises Ribeiro	Federal University of Juiz de Fora, Brasil
Ralf Lehnert	Dresden University of Technology, Germany
Ricardo Pighi	Selta, Italy
Stefano Galli	Assia Inc.,USA

Agenda for the meeting:

- Conferences activities
 - a. Report on ISPLC 2015 (Brian Evans)
 - b. Status of ISPLC 2016 (Gerd Bumiller)
 - c. Status of WSPLC 2015 (Andrea Tonello)
 - d. Proposal for WSPLC 2016
 - e. Status of ICC 2015 (Bill Leichsteiner)
 - f. Status of Globecom 2015 (Anil Mengi)
 - g. Status of SmartGridComm 2015 (Haniph Latchman)
 - h. Status of IEEE ICC 2016 (Lutz Lampe)
 - i. Status of IEEE GLOBECOM 2016 (Andrea Tonello)
- Publication activities
 - a. Best readings (Han Vinck)
 - b. PLC DocSearch update (Francisco Canete)
- Standardization activities
 - a. Update on PLC standardizations (Anil Mengi)
- TC-PLC matters
 - a. Update of the Policies and Procedures (P&P)
 - b. Report of Awards and Nominations (Han Vinck)
 - c. Update of ISPLC steering committee members
 - d. Update of ANC members
- Any other business

Welcome and Opening

Andrea Tonello opens the meeting at 18:45

Approval of meeting minutes from Globecom 2014

Minutes of the previous meeting are approved (H. Latchman moved, H. Vinck seconded)

Conferences activities

- a. Report on ISPLC 2015 (Brian Evans)

Presentation by Brian Evans

- The program includes 15 invited papers, 33 accepted papers, while 20 papers were rejected. The conference proceedings were not available on the first day.

- b. Status of ISPLC 2016 (Gerd Bumiller)

Gerd Bumiller presents the current status of the ISPLC 2016. Call of paper goals extended to get more attraction by industry and utilities. Target is 140 submissions and

62 accepted papers for 2 ½ day conference in Bottrop.

c. Status of WSPLC 2015 (Andrea Tonello)

Andrea Tonello will organize it on 21./ 22.09.2015 in Klagenfurt, Austria

d. Proposal for WSPLC 2016

No proposal was received to organize WSPLC 2016.

e. Status of ICC 2015 (Bill Leichsteiner)

A track (chair B. Leichsteiner) on PLC for the smart grid has been organized within the general symposium. 18 total papers have been accepted which will be presented in 3 sessions: PLC channel characterization and noise mitigation (6), Privacy, security and networking (6), EV charging, storage and energy mgmt. (6 in Poster). Authors: 43 from academia and 4 from industry.

e. Status of Globecom 2015 (Anil Mengi)

A track on PLC is under organization within the selected areas in communications symposium. The chair is A. Mengi.

f. Status of SmartGridComm 2015 (Haniph Latchman)

SmartGridComm will take place in Miami on Nov. 2-5, 2015. The General co-chairs are H. Latchman and M. Koch.

g. Status of IEEE ICC 2016 (Lutz Lampe)

There will be a track on Communications for Smart Grids. The Chair is L. Lampe.

h. Status of IEEE GLOBECOM 2016 (Andrea Tonello)

The TC-PLC has nominated together with the ETS on Smart Grid Communications two co-chairs for a track on "Smart Grid and Power Line Communications" for SAC. The two nominees are: Haris Gacanin and Dusin Niyato.

- Publication activities

a. Best readings (Han Vinck)

The work was done by H. Vinck and S. Galli. Work finished and delivered so that the updated list of best readings is available in the Comsoc web site.

b. PLC DocSearch update (Francisco Canete)

Some papers are missing and F. Canete is working on this. It would be good to find a host for the PLC DocSearch.

H. Latchman informs that the domain www.isplc.org needs requires a new ownership (owned by him until now). A motion to request ComSoc to take over ownership of the domain is made (Motion by H. Latchman, second H. Vinck).

- Standardization and regulation activities

a. Update on PLC standardizations

Prepared presentation by Anil Mengi was shown, Stefano Galli commented.

- TC-PLC matters

a. Update of the Policies and Procedures (P&P)

27 of 27 voting members approved it. A. Tonello will inform ComSoc and upload the updated P&P in the TC-PLC web site.

b. Report of Awards and Nominations (Han Vinck)

The TC-PLC awards will be announced at the conference banquet.

c. Update of ISPLC steering committee members

Jian Song phased out and will be replaced by Brian Evans as General Chair of ISPLC 2015 Weilin Liu and Anil Mengi (elected) phased out. Il-Han Kim and Anil Mengi were elected for two years.

i. Update of ANC members

New ANC was elected with Ralf Lehnert as chair, Lutz Lampe, Haniph Latchman, Alfredo Sanz and Moises Ribeiro as members.

- Any other business

No other business

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 21:00 p.m.

Gerd Bumiller
TC-PLC Secretary