

# Communication Theory Technical Committee (CTTC)

GLOBEOM 2020, Taipei Taiwan

Virtual Meeting on January 12, 2021

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The minutes from GLOBEOM 2019 were approved.
2. 2020 CTTC Election process and the new Chair and Vice-Chair were announced.
3. 2020 CTTC Awards nomination procedure and receipts were announced.
4. GC 2020, ICC 2021, GC 2021, ICC 2022 reports were given
5. CTW 2021, CTW 2022, CTW 2023 reports were given.

## DETAILED MINUTES

The virtual meeting started at 7am Pacific time, January 12, 2021 and was presided by Urbashi Mitra, the Chair of CTTC. The recorded number of attendees was 56.

### OPENING BUSINESS

1. U. Mitra opened the meeting. Vincent Chan, the Present of IEEE ComSoC, gave a short speech, highlighting the importance of diversity.
2. U. Mitra introduced how to become an active member of CTTC. She introduced the current officer team and two other positions (standards liaison and student competition program).
3. U. Mitra reviewed the executive summary from the minutes from the GLOBEOM 2019 CTTC meeting and asked for corrections or amendments. The minutes were approved without any changes.
4. U. Mitra remarked on the use of email voting for 2020 Election of CTTC Chair and Vice-Chair. She highlighted that only CTTC active members were eligible to vote. Mike Honig, on behalf of the 2020 Nominations and Election Committee, introduced the nomination process. He mentioned that there were 4 names nominated for the chair position with two of them selected for the ballot, and 5 names nominated for the vice-chair position with two selected for the ballot. The committee received 65 votes in total. U. Mitra announced Jeff Andrews as the next CTTC chair, and Petar Popovski as the next CTTC vice-chair and congratulated them.
5. M. Brandt-Pearce, the Vice-Chair of CTTC, introduced the nomination procedure of the three distinct CTTC Awards. She announced that the 2020 Early Achievement Award recipients are Harpreet Dhillon and Emil Bjornson, the 2020 Technical Achievement Award recipient is Aylin Yener, and the 2020 Outstanding Service Award recipient is Angel Lozano. She congratulated them all.

## SYMPOSIA AND WORKSHOP REPORTS

### 6. Communication Theory Symposium Reports:

- GLOBECOM 2020 was reported by Rui Dinis. There were 124 paper submissions out of which 53 were accepted with 43% acceptance rate. The conference was held in a hybrid mode.
- ICC 2021 was reported by Elza Erkip. The committee is finalizing the paper review and the conference will be virtual.
- U. Mitra announced the CTS co-chairs for GLOBECOM 2021 and ICC 2022.

### 7. CTW Workshop Reports:

- CTW 2021 Banff was reported by Andrew Eckford. It was not finalized yet whether to have the workshop fully virtual or in a hybrid mode.
- Angle Lozano remarked that all the upcoming CTWs will be pushed back by one year due to Covid'19.
- CTW 2023 Taiwan proposal was presented by Peter Hong. It was remarked that ISIT 2023 is also in Taipei and thus timing conflicts should be avoided to schedule the workshop date

8. U. Mitra introduced the IEEE ComSoc Students competition and the submission deadline.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 8am, Pacific time.

Minutes taken by M. Tao.