

IEEE ComSoc India Chapter Congress

Minutes of the meeting

Venue: PG Seminar Hall, E&TC Dept, Sinhgad College of Engineering, Pune
Date: 8th Jan 2015

Attendees:

Dr. Navin Kumar – ExeCom Member, IEEE ComSoc Bangalore Chapter
Dr. Manoj B S – Chapter Chair, IEEE ComSoc Kerala Chapter
Prof. P. Subramanian – Secretary, IEEE ComSoc Madras Chapter
Mr. Venkatesh – Chapter Chair, IEEE Hyderabad Chapter
Dr. Vivek Deshpande – Chapter Chair, IEEE Pune Chapter
Dr. Neelesh Mehta – Members at Large, IEEE ComSoc Board of Governor
Dr. Rajesh Ingle – Chairman, IEEE Pune Section
Prof. Makrand Jadhav – Secretary, IEEE ComSoc Pune Chapter
Prof. Mandar Khurjekar – ExeCom Member, IEEE ComSoc Pune Chapter
Munir Mohammed – Staff, IEEE India Office
Sri Chandra – Staff, IEEE India Office

India has 11 Sections and 10 ComSoc Chapters with 5700+ ComSoc Members. Out of the 10 ComSoc Chapters, 5 Chapter representatives were present during the first IEEE ComSoc India Chapter Congress meeting.

- Welcome Note by: Dr. Rajesh Ingle, Chairman, IEEE Pune Section
- All the Chapter Chairs and representatives presented the 2014 activities corresponding to their regions
- Following points were discussed
 - How to increase communication jobs?
 - Due to the huge demand in the IT Industries, Students from all technologies get sucked into software industries and unwillingly even ECE students are forced by the situation to get whatever is available.
 - IEEE Internship portal and active mentor programs would help increase Communication jobs
 - Video recordings of the workshops/events to be uploaded for the benefit of Tier2/3 cities and students who couldn't participate –
 - Munir to work with Hyderabad section on learning how they do it and implement it across ComSoc events
 - Munir to work and identify ways to upload the recordings to IEEE TV
 - Munir to create a listserv (email) group having all the ComSoc ExeCom leaders as subscribers - COMSOCIINDIACHAPTERLEADERS@listserv.ieee.org has already been created & circulated
 - All Chapter Execoms to use the group alias to report any events happening and local chapter requirements
 - This Id will also be used to circulate any distinguished speaker visiting their region so that others can promote and benefit.
 - Activities and events from this email Id would be used for reporting at the central level (India Council as well as ComSoc) and also for Blogging
 - Local Distinguished lecture speakers list to be created by every chapter and used for their Tier2/3 cities/colleges
 - Increase the Industry outreaches in every chapter – IEEE India office to support all the Industry outreaches
 - Industry leaders/seniors to be identified and elevated to become Sr.Members
 - Group to work on supporting the win the GLOBECOM proposal that has been made to host it for 2019-2020

- Regional Conference to be identified/supported by all the chapter leaders
- Technical Workshops to be hosted by multiple chapters coming together
 - Sensors enabling IoT workshop is being proposed for May 15 in Gujrat at TenSym
- All the participants felt that it would be very helpful to have ComSoc Digital Library offered free as part of ComSoc Student Membership similar to CSDL offered by Computer Society
- Community feels that it would be good to have a 4yr membership that could be promoted to the students when they join the college similar to the memberships available for IETE
- Emphasis was made to educate all ComSoc Members to participate in global events such as voting etc
- Emphasis was made to promote all ComSoc Conferences happening in India to the members from China, Middle East and African countries
- Next IEEE ComSoc India Chapter Congress would be held in June/July 2015 in Kerala

