Minutes of the AHSN TC
TIME: Monday December 5th, 2016 -- 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM
LOCATION: Fairchild East Terrace Level
Washington Hilton, Washington (DC), USA

AHSN TC Officers:

    Chair: Jalel Ben Othman

    Vice Chair: Cheng Li

    Secretary: Soumaya Cherkaoui

Number of Attendees: 58

The meeting started at 7:00 am and was adjourned at 8:30 am.

- **Welcome message and introduction**

  Dr. Jalel Ben Othman welcomed the 58 attendees to the AHSN TC meeting. Subsequently, the attendees introduced themselves and their affiliation.

- **Approval of the meeting agenda**

  The meeting agenda was approved unanimously by the meeting attendees.

- **Approval of the minutes of the ICC'16 AHSN TC meeting**

  The approval of the ICC'16 AHSN TC meeting minutes was postponed to the next TC meeting.

- **Business arising from the minutes**

  There was no business arising.

- **The AHSN Technical Committee 2016 Technical Recognition Award**

  Dr. Jalel Ben Othman, the current TC chair, introduced the history, objectives, the criteria and procedure for awarding this recognition. Nominations were solicited by e-mail from the AHSN TC members.

  The selection committee members were:
  - (Chair) Jalel Ben-Othman, University of Paris , Current TC Chair
  - Dr. Nei Kato, Tohoku University, Past TC Chair
  - Dr. Azzedine Boukerche, University of Ottawa, Past TC Chair
  - Dr. Mario Gerla, UCLA, Past Award Recipient

  The recipients of this year's award were **Prof. Nirwan Ansari**, *for advancing the field of ad hoc and sensor networks*, and **Prof. Zygmunt J. Haas**, *for outstanding contributions to securing ad hoc and sensor networks*. The attendees congratulated and applauded the award winners.

· **The AHSN TC Newsletter Update**
–   Dr. Sidi-Mohammed Senouci, Co-Editor-in-Chief of the AHSN TC Newsletter, provided an update on the newsletter activities. This year's second newsletter features an article by Dr. Jiajia Liu with the title of "When Smart Wearables Meet Intelligent Vehicles".
–   Dr. Sidi-Mohammed pointed-out that past issues of the AHSN TC newsletter can be found at the TC webpage. He reminded the attendees that the aim is to have newsletters published twice a year. He, therefore, invited all attendees to contribute to the newsletter with their articles related to ad hoc and sensor networks. Articles may present projects and new initiatives, showcase research results, or give surveys of current works, etc.
–   The TC Newsletter Editorial Board is comprised of the following TC members: Yacine Ghamri-Doudane (EiC), Sidi-Mohammed Senouci (CoEiC), and Mohamed Fathy Feteiha, Burak Kantarci, and Clarkson University, Damla Turgut, co-editors. The Newsletter Editorial Board can be contacted for any additional information regarding possible contributions.

· **AHSN TC Recertification**
    Dr. Jalel Ben Othman explained that COMSOC conducts recertification for TCs each four years. The AHSN TC was solicited to report on its activities during the last four years, specifically regarding membership evolution and development, activities of the TC, and support of COMSOC activities such as publications, meetings, and standardization. The AHSN TC officers submitted their report and are awaiting the results. Dr. Jalel, notes that the recertification outcome is to be confirmed soon

· **Standards Liaison Report**
    Dr. Sharief Oteafy explained the role of the Standards Liaison in participating in discussions regarding new PARs and standards that are interesting to the AHSN TC. Dr. Oteafy noted that he represented the TC in the IEEE Standards development board meeting at ICC'16, and that he is a member of the Tactile Internet WG representing the TC.   Dr. Oteafy is also planning to attend next standardisation committee meetings at current GC'16 conference.

•   **Reports on TC Activities on Conferences/Symposia**
    Dr. Jalel reminded attendees that the GC/ICC Technical Symposia that are sponsored by the AHSN TC are the *Ad Hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium*, the *Mobile and Wireless Networking Symposium*, the *Wireless Communications Symposium*, the *Cognitive Radio and Networks Symposium*, and the *Next Generation Networking Symposium*.   As sponsor, the TCs recommends candidates for the roles of symposia co-chairs for these symposiums and the TPC chair makes the final decision.
Subsequently, Dr. Jalel gave information about, and the statistics available for, the main

activities sponsored by the TC. The included the number of paper submissions, the number of TPC members, the number of accepted papers, and the acceptance rate for the *Ad Hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium,* the *Mobile and Wireless Networking Symposium, the Cognitive Radio and Networks Symposium, the Wireless Communications Symposium, and the Next Generation Networking Symposium,* for both GC'2016 and ICC'2017.

The numbers are as follows:

GC'2016 *Ad Hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium (submissions: 169, TPC: 297, Accepted papers: 68, Acceptance rate: 40.2%)*

GC'2016 *Mobile and Wireless Networking Symposium (submissions: 301, TPC: 534, Accepted papers: 115, Acceptance rate: 38.2%)*

GC'2016 *Cognitive Radio and Networks Symposium (paper submissions: 119, TPC: 199 Accepted papers: 48, Acceptance rate: 40%)*

GC'2016 *Wireless Communications Symposium (submissions: 454, TPC: 360, Accepted papers: 167, Acceptance rate: 36.7%)*

GC'2016 *Next Generation Networking Symposium (submissions: 156, TPC members: 117 Accepted papers: 60, Acceptance rate: 38.2%)*

ICC'2017 *Ad Hoc and Sensor Networks Symposium (submissions: 282, TPC: 308)*
ICC'2017 *Mobile and Wireless Networking Symposium (submissions: 321, TPC: 367)*
ICC'2017 *Cognitive Radio and Networks Symposium (submissions: 93, TPC: 108)*
ICC'2017 *Wireless Communications Symposium (submissions: 547, TPC: 289)*
ICC'2017 *Next Generation Networking Symposium (submissions: 213, TPC: 181)*

Dr. Jalel, continued by announcing the candidates proposed by the TC to be considered for symposia co-chair roles in ICC 2018 and GC 2018 conferences.

- **Other business**
  Dr. Jalel elaborated on the following subjects:
    - Future GC/ICC Technical Program Committee Activities
    - IEEE Distinguished Lecturers (DLT)
    - IEEE Fellow / Senior Member Promotion

- **Next meeting**
  Attendees were invited to the Next AHSN TC meeting at ICC'17, Paris, France in May 2017.

- **Meeting Adjourn**
  The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 am.

-----------------------------------   ---------------------------------------

Chair: Jalel Ben-Othman   Vice Chair: Cheng Li

Secretary: Soumaya Cherkaoui