1. Welcome/Introductions

2. ONTC Awards

**Outstanding Service Award**

Prof. Hussein Mouftah, University of Ottawa
“For Founding the Optical Networking Technical Committee”

**Outstanding Technical Achievement Award**

Prof. Ahmed Kamal, Iowa State University
“For Contributions to Grooming and Multipoint Communication in Optical Networks”

3. ONTC meeting @ ICC 2016 minutes

Available on the ONTC web page

[http://ontc.committees.comsoc.org/meetings/](http://ontc.committees.comsoc.org/meetings/)

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4. Updated statistics about ONS submissions to ICC and Globecom

![Graph showing submissions to ONS from 2010 to 2017](image_url)
5. Journal and Conference updates

Journals

- JOCN special issue from ICC 2016 optical wireless symposium
- JSAC special issues in localization (http://www.comsoc.org/jsac/cfp/localisation-communication-and-networking-vlc)

Conferences

Globecom 2016

- **Maite Brandt-Pierce**, University of Virginia, TPC Co-Chair
- ONS Co-Chairs:
  - **Daniel Xu**, USTC
  - **Suresh Subramaniam**, George Washington University
    - 67 submissions (35 systems + 32 networks)
- **Luca Valcarenghi**, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna, Access Networks and Systems Chair (36 submitted, 14 accepted)
- **Matt Cao**, Georgia State, Next-Generation Networking and Internet co-Chair
- Some remarks
  - Prof. Vincent Chan is encouraging to submit to ONS @ ICC and @ Globecom to maintain submission number and avoid losing the Symposium
  - Issue that ICC deadline collide with OFC submission deadline
  - Prof. Biswanath Mukherjee highlights that ONS shall attract some Selected Area in Communication topics (e.g., datacenter, virtualization, SDN) specifically related to optics
  - Optical wireless communications accepted ratio decreased
  - 2465 registrant @ Globecom 2016
  - One ONS paper was given Globecom 2016 Best Paper Award: Elam Curry, Deva K. Borah (New Mexico State University, USA), Jose Maria Hinojo (University of Seville, Spain),
“Optimal Symbol Set Design for Generalized Spatial Modulations in MIMO VLC Systems”

ICACT2016

Reporter: Thomas B. YOON, Organizer
Place: Phoenix Park PyeongChang, Korea (south)
Date: Jan. 31 ~ Feb 3, 2016

Paper Submission = 435
Paper Selection = 167
Acceptance Rate = 39%
Peer Review = 3 Reviewers/paper
Total Reviewers = 244
Oral Presentation = 167/35 Tech. Sessions
Korean:Non-Korean = 78:89
Participated Countries = 22

Ref: https://prezi.com/gx_9s4usi0ve/icact2016-plenary/

OFC 2017

• Hiroaki Harai, N2 Subcommittee (40+ submitted)
• Filippo Cugini, N3 Subcommittee
• Massimo Tornatore, N3 Subcommittee
• Jiajia Chen, N3 Subcommittee (70+ submissions, projected 50% oral and 10% poster accepted)
• Anna Tzanakaki, DSN6 Subcommittee

ONDM 2017, May 15-18, Budapest

• Submission Deadline: February 21, 2017
• General Chair:
  • Tibor Cinkler, BME, Hungary
• TPC Chairs:
  • Jacek Rak, Gdansk University of Technology, Poland
  • Marco Ruffini, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
  • Hiroaki Harai, NICT, Japan

ICC 2017, May 21-25, Paris, France

• ONS Chairs:
  • Grzegorz Danilewicz, Poznan Univ. of Technology, Poland
  • George Rouskas, NC State University, USA
  • Statistics
    • 100 submissions: 54 networks (54%), 46 systems (46%)
• Steven Hranilovic, Access Systems and Networks Chair
• Cicek Cavdar, Green Comm. Systems & Networks co-Chair

Future Conferences

• GC 2017, Singapore
  • Gangxiang (Steven) Shen (ONS)
  • Paolo Monti (TAOS)
• ICC 2018, Kansas City
  – Nasir Ghani (ONTC)
  – Tarek El-Bawab (TAOS)
• GC 2018, Abu Dhabi
  – Zuqing Zhu (ONTC)
  – Hakki Cankaya (TAOS)
• ICC 2019, Shanghai
  – Open for nominations

5. Other business

• ONTC Awards – presented annually at GC
  – Technical Achievement
  – Outstanding Service
  – ONS Chairs for future GC/ICC Conferences
• Comsoc Distinguished Lecturers
  – Nomination deadline: September 30, 2017
• IEEE Fellows
  – ONTC endorsement
• Tarek El-Bawab: IEEE Communications Magazine is looking for Associate Technical Editors
• Ahmed Kamal: Jean Armstrong won the Mountbatten Medal in the UK (http://conferences.theiet.org/achievement/awards/medals/mountbatten.cfm)

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