

Minutes for the Optical Networking Technical Committee (ONTC) Meeting  
OFC 2019, San Diego, USA  
Wednesday, March 6, 2018, 12:00 – 14:00 pm  
Room 14A, San Diego Convention Center, 111 W Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA

1. Meeting started at 12:00 pm with lunch.
2. Attendees' self-introductions
3. Welcome from Luca Valcarenghi, and agenda was briefly introduced by Luca.
4. Approval of the minutes of ONTC meeting at GLOBECOM 2018.
5. Vincent Chan presented updates of ComSoc strategic planning status and other ComSoc technical activities reforms.
6. Conference and Journal updates and reports. Luca presents the statistics regarding ONS in ICC/GC in the past 16 years based on GITC data.

### **Conferences**

- ONDM 2019:
  - Athens, Greece
  - May 13-16, 2019
  - General Chair: Anna Tzanakaki
  - TPC Co-Chairs: Raul Munoz, Reza Nejabati, Noboru Yoshikane
- ICC 2018:
  - May 20-24, 2019, Shanghai, China
  - ONS Chairs: Xiaojun (Matt) Cao (ONTC), Scott Fowler
  - 76 submissions: 39 networks, 37 systems; 31 was accepted.
- OECC/PSC 2019:
  - Jul. 7-11, 2019, Fukuoka, Japan
  - Previous PS conference got changed to PSC and will be held together with OECC
- GC 2019, Big Island, Hawaii, ONS Chairs: Reza Nejabati, Mohan Gurusamy
- ICC 2020, Dublin, Ireland, ONS Chairs: Zuqing Zhu (ONTC), ??
- GC 2020, Taiwan, ONS Chairs: nominations submitted
- ICCCN, Jul. 29-Aug.1, 2019, Valencia, Spain

- FOAN, Sep. 2-4, 2019, Sarajevo
- ECOC, Sep. 22-26, 2019, Dublin
- ACP, Nov. 2-5, 2019, Chengdu, China

## Journals

- Journal of Optical Communications and Networking (JOCN)
  - Presented by Jane Simmons, EiC
  - JOCN will continue to publish special issues on top-scored papers from OFC and OECC. But for GC/ICC, since the conference papers have 6-7 pages each, the room for extending them to journal papers is not much.
- Optical Communications and Networks Series (OCNS) in IEEE Communications Magazine
  - Presented by Zuqing Zhu, one of the series editors
  - At least two series published in ComMag each year
  - No submission deadline, authors can submit when their manuscripts are ready
- IEEE Networking Letters
  - Presented by George Rouskas, the EiC
  - A new journal launched by ComSoc
  - Fast track of review, 4-page letter style papers

## 7. Call for Nominations:

- ONTC Awards – presented annually at GLOBECOM:
  - Technical Achievement
  - Outstanding Service
- ONS Chairs for future GLOBECOM/ICC Conferences
- ComSoc Distinguished Lecturers (DLs)
  - Nomination deadline: September 30, 2018
- IEEE Fellows
  - ONTC endorsement (Deadline March 1)

## 8. Other business

- From Tarek El Bawab Director of Standards Development of ComSoc
  - ComSoc SDB (Standards Development Board) opportunities for standards developments within the scope of ComSoc
  - Identified optical systems and networking as one of the areas where opportunities may exist
  - An IEEE funding opportunity was launched to encourage standardization initiatives
- Join IEEE-SA Industry Connections Optical Networks 2020 Activity!
  - Date: Wednesday, 6 March, 12:00-14:00, Location: Theater II, Hall E

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