

IEEE Communications Society eHealth Technical Committee Meeting

IEEE GLOBECOM 2022 Virtual meeting

Held on virtually on January 10th 2022, 09:00 – 10:50 as the IEEE GLOBECOM 2022, Virtual

Chaired by Prof. Honggang Wang, eHealth TC Chair.
Minute by Dr. Andrea Sciarrone, eHealth TC Vice-Chair.

Welcome/Introduction

The Chair welcomes the new eHealth TC members and he illustrates the meeting agenda.

eHealth TC Policies & Procedures (P&P)

Prof. Andrea Sciarrone, Vice-Chair of the eHealth TC, briefly summarized the updated eHealth TC P&P. Namely, the eHealth TC P&P shall be compliant with the IEEE ComSoc ByLaws. In order to guarantee this, after a deep revision of the eHealth TC P&P, the Vice-Chair proposed some changes. Prof. Andrea Sciarrone reports that he discussed these changes with Prof. Stefano Galli (IEEE ComSoc TC Director) who informally approved the proposals.

Finally, such eHealth TC P&P modifications proposed by Prof. Andrea Sciarrone have been voted and approved during the meeting held on IEEE ICC 2020. The eHealth TC P&P updates have been unanimously approved and they are effective starting from July, 23th, 2020.

Field of the modification	Current status	Motivation of the change	Proposed modification
TC membership	Member or Active Member	No “Active Member” definition in the IEEE ComSoc ByLaws. Only “Voting member”	Replace the expression “Active Member” with “Voting Member”
Secretary candidature	Only an active member can candidate	IEEE ComSoc ByLaws suggest that 2 candidates (at least) are present for an officer election.	Remove the active member constraint for the Secretary candidature. Any eHealth TC member can candidate.
Voting quorum	No quorum has been specified in the eHealth TC P&P	IEEE ComSoc ByLaws use the Robert’s rule: $\text{ceil}(\text{voting_members} / 2)$	Introduce the Robert’s rule for the quorum during any voting procedure.

eHealth TC Election

During the TC meeting the Secretary election has been held.

At the time of the election (January, 10th 2022), 23 Voting Members (VM) are present. The full list is reported below:

1. Joel Rodrigues
2. Andrea Sciarrone
3. Hsi-Pin Ma
4. Ayman Radwan
5. Igor Bisio
6. Abd-Elhamid Taha
7. Shamim Hossain
8. Rongxing Liu
9. Honggang Wang
10. Joseph Jornet
11. Christos Verikoukis
12. Damla Turgut
13. Jinan Fiadhi
14. Sabah Mohammed
15. Haoran Chi
16. Fatima Domingues
17. Ghulam Muhammad
18. Yeong Min Jang
19. Sudip Misra
20. Nada Philip
21. Chiara Garibotto
22. Shiwen Mao
23. Xiaohui Liang

Today, 19 VM out of 23 are present and therefore the quorum is reached which is 2/3 of the VMs (equal to 15 people).

The TC has received 4 nominations for the Secretary position. Here are listed (strictly in alphabetical order) the candidates for the eHealth TC Secretary position.

For each of them, statement, CV and major eHealth-based accomplishments are reported.

- Xiaohui Liang;
- Sudip Misra;
- Sabah Mohammed;
- Ayman Radman;

The Nomination & Election (N&E) Committee have evaluated the profiles and it has verified they are valid candidates.

Technical Committee (TC) elections shall be administered by the eHealth TC Chair or, in his/her absence, any other elected officer, normally during a TC meeting at GLOBECOM. In the case of two candidates for a position, election is by simple majority. For the case of more than two candidates, selection proceeds by attending voting members through a series of elections: at each stage, the individual gathering the fewest votes is eliminated, until only two remain. In the event of a tie, votes shall again be cast until the tie is broken. If that is not possible, the eHealth TC officer running the election shall cast a tie-breaking vote. eHealth TC elections will normally be open. However, upon the request of any member, the election shall proceed by secret ballot. Votes will be counted by at least one eHealth officer and any other member (officer or not). A record of vote cast must be retained for post-election audit purposes.

The result of the first round of election is the following:

- Xiaohui Liang: 5 votes (26 %)
- Sudip Misra: 2 votes (11 %)
- Sabah Mohammed: 2 votes (11 %)
- Ayman Radman: 10 votes (53 %)

Total votes: 19

Following the TC P&P, the candidates Sudip Misra and Sabah Mohammed have been removed for the election process and a new election round have been done.

The result of the second (and final) round of election is the following:

- Xiaohui Liang: 7 votes (39 %)
- Ayman Radwan: 11 votes (61 %)

Total votes: 18

Therefore, the elected eHealth TC Secretary is Ayman Radwan.

At the same time, considering the Secretary election just conducted and the eHealth TC shifting procedure, the new eHealth TC Officers Team are the following:

- Prof. Andrea Sciarrone, Chair
- Dr. Christos Verikoukis, Vice-Chair
- Dr. Ayman Radwan, Secretary

This new eHealth TC Officers Team will be immediately effective starting from Jan, 11th 2022.

Any other business

None

Adjourn

The meeting is concluded at 10:50 EDT.

Attendees List (not valid for the Voting Members calculation)

- Joel Rodrigues
- Andrea Sciarrone
- Hsi-Pin Ma
- Giorgio Quer
- Ayman Radwan
- Igor Bisio
- Abd-Elhamid Taha
- Shamim Hossain
- Rongxing Liu
- Honggang Wang
- Joseph Jornet
- Christos Verikoukis
- Damla Turgut
- Jinan Fiadhi
- Sabah Mohammed
- Haoran Chi
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- Yeong Min Jang
- Sudip Misra
- Nada Philip
- Chiara Garibotto
- Shiwen Mao
- Xiaohui Liang