IEEE Joint Communications Society and Signal Processing Chapter

Minutes of meeting held 24 February 2003
Venue: PricewaterhouseCoopers, 201 Sussex St, Sydney

Meeting opened at 7pm.

Those present: Olly D'Souza, Graeme Woodward, David Burger

Apologies: -nil-

Introduction: Apologies to those who were unable to attend, and the short notice is acknowledged. Future meetings will be scheduled well in advance.

1. TASKS
The minimum number of meetings required is 3 per annum. Presently we have 5 meeting scheduled and enough time to schedule others pending availability of speakers.

2. ACTIVITIES
2.1 A review of the Globecom '98 structure and committee build was discussed, identifying strengths and weaknesses. This is for a possible view to attracting an International Conference scheduled after 2004.

2.2 The direction of the IEE NSW ComSig Chapter in 2003 is to expand both academic and industry involvement in venues, speakers and adding value to industry.

2.3 A review of possible future meeting discussions, lectures or DL subject matter was discussed, with previous subjects like 'watermarking' and 'wireless networking' as possible basis for moving forward. These included ICT R&D reductions in Australia, suggested: Brian Anderson, CEO of ICT Australia (ANU & UNSW organisation), regarding value of local R&D presence and related government programs. A Wireless Security workshop was mentioned, suggest Adrian Hobbs of PricewaterhouseCoopers.

2.4 The ISSSTA (International Symposium of Spread Spectrum Technologies and applications), ie CDMA, is scheduled for September 2004 in Leura. This bi-annual conference is IEEE sponsored, and co-sponsored by the IEEE ComSoc Society. Graeme will check the conference structure and propose a letter to the IEEE NSW Section to gauge the local level of involvement. The chairperson is Ian Opperman, University of Oulu, Finland. See www.isssta2004.com

2.5 The ComSoc DL program availability will be reviewed for 2004 and some nominee will be discussed to allow the DL over 12month notice. This request will be copied to the IEEE Australia Council. Philip and Zak to possibly follow up.

2.6 Lectures; The logistics of scheduling lectures in the IEAust program for 2004 would be coordinated with the IEEE NSW Section, and possibly using the IEAust lecture theatre for other lectures or speakers.

2.7 Student Activities, Bruce Poon to be asked to assist contact with student members of ComSig societies.

3 IEEE NSW ComSig Committee for 2003.

- Olly d'Souza – Chair
- David Burger – Secretary/Treasurer
- Graeme Woodward – 2004 events coordinator.

Other positions to be filled/re-assigned as required.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm

Next Meeting 24th MARCH, 2003 at Lucent Technologies, Waterloo Road, North Ryde.