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CNSR 2007

Conference General Chair Welcome Message



Welcome to Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada! CNSR 2007, May 14-17, is the Fifth Annual Conference on Communication Networks and Services Research, a great opportunity for exchanging ideas and forming linkages. It is a pleasure to announce the three keynote speakers who will present their vision of wireless and sensor systems in theory and in practice, David D. Falconer, Carleton University, Honourary Conference Chair, on "Air Interfaces For Future-Generation Cellular Wireless Systems," Norm Lo, Research In Motion, Ltd., on "BlackBerry Success and Growth: Asia Pacific," and Gregory J. Pottie, University of California, Los Angeles, on "Sensor Networks For Environmental Monitoring."

For their Technical Co-sponsorship, we, the Conference Organizing Committee, thank the Communications Society of the IEEE, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. For their In-Cooperation Status, we thank the ACM, the Association for Computing Machinery, with the Special Interest Groups Design of Communication (SIGDOC) and Web (SIGWEB).

John M. DeDourek, the Conference Program Chair, as well as Bruce G. Colpitts, with Aladdin Saleh, Wireless Technology, Bell Canada, the two Technical Program Co-chairs, have our gratitude for their work in bringing forward the program. Aladdin Saleh had the additional responsibility for the acceptance and rejection of manuscripts by authors from the University of New Brunswick and authors involved in the CNSR Project. We thank all of the following people. The Conference Tutorial Chair was Mary E. Kaye. Nidal Nasser and Susumu Yoshida were the Conference Publicity Co-chairs. The CNSR 2007 Steering Committee has been a valuable source of experience and ideas, Jalal Almhana, Zhizhang (David) Chen, Ali A. Ghorbani, Jacek Ilow, Bernd J. Kurz, and Bradford G. Nickerson. The members of the Technical Program Committee and the reviewers helped us in a timely manner. It was a pleasure to make new contacts and to renew old contacts. Diane Saurette, the CNSR Financial Coordinator, always presented a balanced perspective. Mark J. Dowe, the CNSR Webmaster, got us going in online conference management. The technical speakers bring it all together. Finally, I thank an unnamed professional contact for enlightening me of the benefits of being the conference general chair.

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Enjoy the banquet talk by Sharon Morrow, a Parks Canada representative who will travel from the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site of Canada, located in Baddeck, Nova Scotia.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brent Petersen".