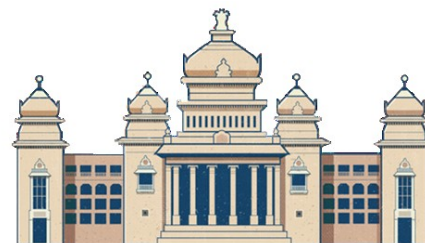


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Message from Panels Co-Chairs

COMSNETS 2015 features 3 interesting panel sessions designed to deliberate the need for innovations in ICT technologies which have potential impact to Indian market as well as Globally. Eminent members from Academia, Industry and Government are invited to share their perspectives and suggestions for future research, business, policies, etc.

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Panel 1: SDN - Has it delivered as Hyped?

Date: 7th January 2015 | **Time:** 5:45 PM to 7:00 PM | **Venue:** Sigma Hall

Since 2012, SDN has quickly climbed up the hype charts of the industry which has recorded significant investment and benefits. The technology and the emerging applications for Big Data, IoT and Cloud Computing pose interesting challenges for SDN deployment. A SDN market is estimated to be at USD 35 Billion for the next 5 years citing plenty of opportunities for the entire ICT eco-system. In this challenging business environment, a reality check is required. The directions for bridging the hype to reality and the role of all stakeholders (Service Providers, Vendors, Startups, Academia, Open Source communities, Govt.) needs to be established.

Panelists: *Ishwardutt Parulkar (Cisco), Subhas Mondal (Wipro), Daya Kamath (IBM), Jayaram Beladakere (Ericsson), Kalyankumar Asangi (Huawei)*

Panel 2: Digital India – What Role for Standards, Regulations and IP?

Date: 8th January 2015 | **Time:** 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM | **Venue:** Sigma Hall

The Honorable Prime Minister of India has setup a programme to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy called "Digital India" together with the "Make in India" and "FDI - First Develop (in) India". Some US\$ 100 billion have been pledged by foreign governments and Indian government itself has identified "smart cities", "virtual classrooms", "e-health" and e-Government" as part of its 2014-2015 Union budget of approx. US\$1.5 billion. In this challenging technology and market environment, we need to ponder on the need in India to be aware of the role of standardization, regulation and IPs and how it will directly impact these initiatives.

Panelists: *Kiritkumar Lathia (Fellow, IET), Sascha Meinrath (X-Lab), Tulika Pandey (DeiTY, Govt. of India), Dipankar Raychaudhari (Rutgers University), Manish Gupta (Xerox), Alok Nath De (Samsung)*

Panel 3: IoT - Challenges and Opportunities in Indian Market

Date: 9th January 2015 | **Time:** 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM | **Venue:** Sigma Hall

Govt. of India has recently announced significant investments to create an IoT industry in India of USD 15 Trillion by 2020. It is estimated that Indian market will share 5-6% of the global IoT industry. Indian IoT market requests attention towards some of the unique Indian challenges and opportunities related to sensors infrastructure, applications and services, directions for emerging IoT enabling technologies (5G, Big Data Analytics, Cloud, SDN) and electronics industry.

Panelists: *Venkatesh Kumaran (IESA), Somshubhro Pal Choudhury (Analog Devices), Jay Warrior (IISc), Anuj Ashokan (Tata Teleservices), Haribabu Pasupaleti (CDAC), Krishnan Raman (Flutura), Syam Madanapalli (iRam Technologies), Balamuralidhar P (TCS)*

We warmly welcome you to COMSNETS 2015 Panels session. We would like to thank all the panel members for accepting our invitation to the panel sessions. We also thank the entire COMSNETS 2015 organizing committee for their suggestion throughout the design phase of the panels and especially the Web Chair for providing the excellent website support.



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