



**IEEE ComSoc to Honor 2009 Career and Service Award Recipients at
IEEE GLOBECOM 2009**

*More than 2,000 Industry Experts & Leaders to Join in Ceremonies held at
Global Communications Event from 30 November – 4 December 2009 in Honolulu, Hawaii*

NEW YORK, NY (November 16, 2009) – The IEEE Communications Society (ComSoc), the leading worldwide professional organization dedicated to the advancement of communications technologies, will honor the career and service accomplishments of leading communications experts at the organization’s flagship conference to be held 30 November – 4 December at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Themed “Riding the Wave to Global Connectivity,” IEEE GLOBECOM 2009 is dedicated to advancing and showcasing the entire range of business and consumer networking technologies related to the latest advances in voice, data, image and multimedia communications. Society president and GLOBECOM 2009 general chair Doug Zuckerman says, “This is ComSoc’s – and our industry’s - premier event, with more than 2,000 industry professionals, academia and government officials representing nearly 50 different countries expected to join in the ceremonies, while attending hundreds of sessions ranging in topics from broadband video networking and green communications to the evolution of 4G wireless and the development of next-generation satellite and space networks.”

On Tuesday, 1 December at the IEEE GLOBECOM 2009 Award Luncheon, IEEE ComSoc will honor the contributions of several leading communications experts with the presentation of the organization’s distinguished career and service awards. Among the honorees at this year’s event are:

- ***David G. Belanger, Chief Scientist, AT&T Labs***, who will receive the IEEE ComSoc Industrial Innovation Award for the development of new software support tools and techniques that greatly advanced the management of large communications networks and huge quantities of computer data
- ***David Falconer, Professor, Carleton University***, who will receive the IEEE ComSoc Award for Public Service in the Field of Telecommunications. His contributions include the advancement of modems that are likely to become integral to the development of fourth-generation cellular mobile systems

- ***H. Vincent Poor, Professor, Princeton University***, who will receive the IEEE ComSoc Edwin Howard Armstrong Achievement Award for the development of advanced signal processing techniques that are likely to greatly expand the capacity of broadband wireless communications
- ***Kaoru Yano, President, NEC Corporation***, who will receive the IEEE ComSoc Distinguished Industry Leader Award for his role in greatly advancing the technologies for communications infrastructure at one of the world's largest communications companies

In addition to the ceremonies honoring these award winners, IEEE GLOBECOM 2009 will also be highlighted by several high-level executive panel discussions featuring visionary presentations by numerous industry leaders. For instance, Adam Drobot, chief technology officer and president of Advanced Technologies Solutions at Telcordia, will lead the “Industry Leader Forum on Telecom Futures” that will include Ibrahim Gedeon, chief technology officer of TELUS Communications; Youngky Kim executive vice president of Samsung; and Roberto Saracco, director of Telecom Italia’s Future Centre, among its panelists.

Other notable panelists and speakers offering keynote presentations throughout IEEE GLOBECOM 2009 also include Major General George J. Allen, director for C4 and the deputy DON chief information officer (DDCIO) for the U.S. Marine Corps; Kazuhiro Gomi, chief operating officer of NTT America; DooWhan Choi, president of Korea Telecom; Nate L. Smith, CEO of Time Warner Cable – Hawaii; and John Vig, the president of the IEEE, who will also participate in the award ceremonies.

For more information on IEEE GLOBECOM 2009, including registration and attendance details, visit the conference website, www.ieee-globecom.org/2009. Or contact: Heather Ann Sweeney, IEEE Communications Society, 3 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016. Phone: (212) 705-8938. E-mail: h.sweeney@comsoc.org.

The IEEE Communications Society (ComSoc), with over 40,000 members worldwide, is a global community comprised of a diverse group of industry and academia professionals with a common interest in advancing all communications technologies. To that end, the Society sponsors publications, conferences, certification, educational programs, local activities, and technical committees, as well as standardization projects, in communications and networking.

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