During the period April 26-May 9, 2013, I was on my second Distinguished Lecturer Tour in Latin America region. This time, I visited three Brazilian chapters: Brasil South, Rio de Janeiro and Brasilia.

The program of the tour included the following seminars:

1. April 26, 2013: "Designing the green Internet" in Campinas, Sao Paolo
2. May 3, 2013: "Designing the green Internet " in Rio de Janeiro, RJ
3. May 9, 2013: "Networking and the Smart Grid" in Brasilia, DF

The following sections provide some highlights on the specific seminars.

1. **Campinas, SP**

The DLT started from Campinas, in the Brazilian state of Sao Paolo. The lecture was held at the State University of Campinas (http://www.unicamp.br/). Actually, I was visiting the university as visiting professor for April-May, so that facilitated the organization of the DLT.

My host was Nelson Fonseca, with whom we have a 10 years collaboration. The seminar was held in the early afternoon, with a good participation (around 30 people). We had an interesting Q&A session, mainly focused on issues related to tradeoffs in security vs energy efficiency, and the business opportunities in the area of green ICT.

2. **Rio de Janeiro, RJ**

My second seminar was held in Rio de Janeiro. I arrived in the evening and had the chance to discuss with my host, Waldo Russo, about organization of the event as well as general policies for supporting research and technology transfer initiatives as we moved from the airport to the hotel.

The seminar in Rio was held at PUC-RJ, the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro. The seminar was attended by around 30 people, including students, post-docs and professors. The discussion was very lively, especially with the contribution of Dr. Russo, which plans to exploit my presentation on the topic of green Internet to solicit discussion and awareness within the local ComSoc chapter.
Panoramic view of Rio de Janeiro.

3. Brasilia, DF

The last seminar was held in Brasilia, the capital of Brazil. This time, the event was held in conjunction with the conference SBRC 2013, the “31o Simposio Brasileiro de Redes de Computadores e Sistemas Distribuidos”. It is a large event that brings together 700-800 professors, researchers and students working on computer networks and distributed systems in Brazil. Technical program is solid and builds on a 25-30% acceptance rate.

The cathedral of Brasilia.
The seminar was held on May 9, 2013, in the mid-afternoon. Attendees were more than 100. The topic this time was the relationship between the communications know-how and the smart grid. The audience was extremely interest and the following discussion, both in the plenary session as well as during the following coffee break, was fruitful. I got several questions and requests for pointer to further details on several topics I covered.

Summarizing, the DLT experience was fruitful and enabled me to illustrate topics that in the region are not yet saturated in the research scenario. I always got an interested and interactive audience, with several good points of discussion. Local arrangements and personal interactions were perfect.

Finally, I’d like to express my gratitude to all the people who supported my trip for hosting me and for the enthusiasm in the initiative! I really appreciated visiting Brasil, and will come back soon!

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