

**REPORT FOR
COMSOC DISTINGUISHED LECTURER TOUR
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Region: EMEA**

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I performed a distinguished lecture tour in Region 8 involving 3 different chapters. The title of my primary lecture was “**Software Defined Mobile Networks: Beyond LTE Architecture**”. The 3 chapters involved in the tour along with the respective chapter chairs were:

IEEE RUSSIA SIBERIA Chapter (Novosibirsk) Prof. Alexey Rodionov

IEEE ComSoc Lebanon Chapter, Dr. Bachar A. ElHassan, email:

IEEE UAE Signal Processing and Communication Chapter Prof. Bayan Sharif

The following itinerary was followed for the tour.

- 18.4: departs from <Helsinki>; Arrives at <Novosibirsk, Russia> 19.4. Meeting with Siberian Chapter Chair and senior faculty.
- 20.4: Lecture at Novosibirsk State University “Design and Implementation of Distributed Systems and Networks”. Meeting with junior faculty and visiting HiTech center at Akademgorodok.
- 21.4: Lecture at Siberian State University of Telecommunication and Information Science on SDMN. Meeting with past Chapter chair.
- 22.4 departs from <Novosibirsk> via <Helsinki> Arrives at < Beirut, Lebanon >+2days
- 26.4 Lecture in Byblos, Lebanon (Monday). American Lebanese University. Discussion with chapter chair and the faculty.
- 27.4 departs from <Beirut, Lebanon>; Arrives at <Abu Dhabi, UAE>
- 28.4 Lecture in Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, UAE. Meeting with Chapter chair and local faculty.
- 29.4 departs from <Abu Dhabi, UAE>; Arrives at <Helsinki, Finland> 30.4

Overall, the tour was very successful. Lectures were attended by 30-50 people and I received many questions from the audience. During the tour, discussion on arranging IEEE conferences, journal editing, research collaboration, and visits to Finland were held. Many new contacts with local faculty and researchers were established.

Helsinki
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