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- Philippe Ciblat, Telecom ParisTech
- Feifei Gao, Tsinghhua U.
- Shi Jin, Southeast U.
- Chandra Murthy, Indian Institute of Science
- Ahmed Sadek, Qualcomm, San Diego
- Mathini Sellathurai, Herriot-Watt U., Scotland
- Weifeng Su, State U. New York at Buffalo
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- CY Chi
- David Love
- Matthew McKay
- Milica Stojanovic
- Wolfgang Utschick
- Sergiy Vorobyov
- Erik Larsson, as Vice-Chair and Chair-Elect

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We are improving in most areas:

- Geography:
 - USA 12;
 - Asia 7,
 - Europe 6.5,
 - Canada 4.5.
 - Middle East 1
- 5 female members
- 2 industrial members.

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I am representing the Society on the Software Defined Networks Working Group

Somewhat of a defensive move on behalf of Society as their proposal for an IEEE New Initiative started to broaden to include "software defined everything"

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Call for expressions of interest in hosting SPAWC 2016

Related conferences:

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- ISIT 2016, Barcelona, 10-15 July
- SAM 2016 ?
- ICC 2016, Kuala Lumpur
- Infocom 2016, San Francisco, 10-15 Apr 2016

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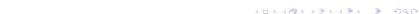
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