Meeting Minutes IEEE SPS Synthetic Aperture Technical Working Group <u>15 August 2024</u>

- 1. Group members in attendance were Kumar Vijay Mishra (Chair), Ahmet Elbir (Vice-Chair), Arpan Chattopadhyay, Samuel Pinilla, Sekhar Sekharan, and Raghu G. Raj. Guest in attendance was Monika Aggarwal.
- 2. Monika Aggarwal from Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi gave a presentation on *Harshening Signal/Image/Array Processing in Medical and Underwater Scenario*. Follow-up questions on the presentation were asked by Samuel, Ahmet, and Sekhar.
- 3. TWG discussed Arpan's accepted proposal and planning for a pre-conference workshop at 2025 ICASSP. The workshop link is now available on the ICASSP website. The workshop organizing committee is working on securing funding from AOARD and ARO.
- 4. TWG discussed Shobha's proposal and planning for a post-conference summer school at 2025 ICASSP. The organizers are waiting for the call to be announced and expecting funding from ONR.
- 5. Vijay informed the TWG that paper submission is now open for the IEEE T-CI Special Section on *Computational Imaging using Synthetic Apertures*. TWG members are encouraged to spread the word about as well as submit papers to the SS. It appears that the submissions at present are not very high. So, it is suggested to organize a meeting of GEs to motivate more submissions.
- 6. TWG discussed future special issues (SIs) from TWG members.
- 7. Arpan, Chair of Webinar Subcommittee, presented updates on the webinar schedule. The subcommittee is going to organize a webinar by Dinesh Manocha (University of Maryland, College Park). Future speakers include Gonzalo Mateos (University of Delaware) and Ananthram Swami (US Army Research Laboratory).
- 8. Sekhar, Chair of Industry/Government Liaison presented updates on plans to engage with the IEEE Future Networks Initiative.
- 9. Raghu, Chair of New Initiatives subcommittee presented updates on the next steps.
- 10. SASC chair Peter was not available to attend this TWG meeting. Vijay suggested the members to follow the SASC emails for further updates.
- 11. Samuel informed the TWG that his proposals for special session and satellite workshop were accepted for 2025 ICASSP.
- 12. Vijay requested the members to participate in the ongoing TWG elections.
- 13. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 5 September 2024 at 12:00 noon US ET.