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Prof. **Walid Saad**, IEEE Fellow Bradley Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Virginia Tech, USA

**Title:** Extended Reality over 6G Networks: A Tale of Two Rs

**Abstract:** Unleashing the true potential of extended reality (XR) applications, encompassing virtual reality (VR), augmented reality (AR), and mixed reality, requires providing them with seamless and pervasive connectivity over wireless cellular networks such as 5G and 6G. However, deploying wireless XR applications will impose new visual and haptic requirements that are directly linked to the quality-of-experience of XR users. These requirements can only be met by wireless 6G connectivity that offers high-rate and high-reliability low latency communications (HRLLC), unlike the low rates usually considered in vanilla 5G ultra-reliable low latency communication scenarios. Therefore, in this talk, after a brief overview on our vision on the role of XR in 6G systems, we will explore the potential of using wireless 6G networks operating at the terahertz (THz) frequency bands for meeting HRLLC requirements of VR applications. We first quantify the risk for an unreliable VR performance through a novel and rigorous characterization of the tail of the end-to-end (E2E) delay. Then, we perform a thorough analysis of the tail-value-at-risk to concretely characterize the behavior of extreme wireless events crucial to the real-time VR experience. We use this analysis to derive system reliability for scenarios with guaranteed line-of-sight (LoS) as a function of THz network parameters. We then present simulation results that show how abundant bandwidth and low molecular absorption are necessary to improve the VR application reliability, although their effect remains secondary compared to the availability of LoS. Subsequently, we summarize some of our key results in two related areas: a) the reliability of AR over THz systems and b) the role of machine learning can play in enabling wireless VR applications. We conclude our talk with an overview on other key open problems in the areas of THz and cellular-connected XR.



Prof. **Mohamed-Slim Alouini**, IEEE Fellow Electrical and Computer Engineering, KAUST, Saudi Arabia

**Title:** Towards Connecting the Remaining 3+ Billion

**Abstract:** It goes without saying that we suffer from severe gaps in global internet connectivity. We tend indeed to forget that we still have about half of the world population (or about 4 billion people) without boroadband connectivity. And it is expected that 5G (in it current initial deployment stages) will further accentuate this connectivity divide. Actually, the Covid 19 pandemic also showed that the connectivity divide is in a way becoming one of the modern faces of inequality, deepening the economic and social unbalances between the 'Haves' and 'Have Nots' in a digital context. To achieve digital inclusiveness, we need to develop and deploy new technological solutions that help connecting the unconnected/under-connected in an affordable fashion. In this context, this talk aims to (i) provide an envisioned picture of 6G, (ii) serve as a research guideline in the beyond 5G era, and (iii) go over the recently proposed solutions to provide high-speed connectivity in under-covered areas in order to serve and contribute to the development of far-flungregions.



Prof. **Deep Medhi**, IEEE Fellow School of Computing and Engineering University of Missouri - Kansas City, USA

Title: Software Defined Networking for Data-Intensive Science

**Abstract:** Many scientific works (such as Large Hadron Collider) generate huge amount of data that the computational approach to process and distribute such data to garner new knowledge is extremely important. Software defined networking (SDN) is of great value for such data-intensive science (DIS). In this talk, we'll discuss different examples of DIS, in what ways SDN plays a role in DIS as well as new research opportunities.

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