



It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to this edition of PIMRC in the Capital City of the USA. This year we have an exceptionally strong program with outstanding plenary speakers, panels, tutorials, and the usual “trimmings” of the conference, plus a strong collection of papers in the evolving field of wireless communications and networks. I would like to single out the TPC co-chairs and especially Kamran Sayrafian who has gone far beyond the call of duty in carrying out many, if not most, of the functions that traditionally are shouldered by the General Chairs and other members of the Organizing Committee. Special kudos to him!

Thanks are due to a long list of people who have supported the conference in a variety of ways. I am sure all the delegates and attendees will experience a productive week as they mingle in the conference rooms and the venues of our special events. The PIMRC continues to have a special role in the plethora of conferences devoted to essentially the same overall theme of wireless communication systems of all kinds. It is an established, mature conference, highly international, broad and yet focused, and untied to any specific Technical Society. It is therefore quite unique. I take pride in being part of it this year and again a hearty welcome to all!

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