Finnish-Russian University Cooperation Program in Telecommunications (FRUCT)



## **Mission**



- Help in building bridge between Finnish and Russian academic worlds
- Increase visibility of involved research teams in both counties and help in establishing direct personal contacts
  - Support publishing best student works at world top conferences
- Exchange experience and best practices in education and R&D
- Establish direct contacts between university and industry people
- Promote telecom and mobile devices oriented research and technologies
- Involve students in industry oriented research projects
  - Provide students with advanced technological training
  - Find best university and industry supervisors for the student projects
  - Help to identify niches for new startups and show what support students can get if they decide to establish own business
- Provide students with a framework for realize their R&D ambitions
- Make this program be an "incubator of new competences"



#### **History and Background**



- The program started as collaboration project between Turku University (TUCS) and St. Petersburg State University of Airspace Instrumentation (SUAI)
- In 2006 Nokia's University Collaboration program in Russia joined the program
  - Together we decided to go for open academic-industrial association in Telecom
- The program is primary targeted in Russian and Finnish academic participants, but participation from other countries is also welcome
- We are targeted in exchanging and developing competences that is achieved by making joint projects and organizing regular info sharing events (seminars)
- Before it takes final shape we will keep FRUCT informal and fully open program
  - There is no formal agreement and membership fee, if your university team wants to join us, just define in what activities you want to participate and let us know
- The program defines two levels of membership
  - Full-members expected to be active in program activities between the meetings, participate in project work (with students and professors) and seminar preparation
  - Observers welcome to follow program's progress and participate in seminars



## **Program Members**



- Full-members
  - University members
    - <u>University of Turku</u> (TUCS), contact person: <u>Alexey Dudkov</u>
    - St. Petersburg State University of Airspace Instrumentation (SUAI), contact person: Sergey Semionov
    - St. Petersburg State Electrotechnical University (LETI), contact person: Dmitrij Gaivoronskij
    - University of Oulu, contact person: Behnaam Aazhang
    - Helsinki University of Technology (HUT), contact person: Natalia Ermolova
    - St. Petersburg State Polytechnic University
  - Industry members
    - Nokia Research Center & Universities Cooperation Program in Russia, contact person: Sergey Balandin
- Observers
  - University members
    - EVTEK university of applied sciences, contact person: Ingmar Tollet
    - Bonch-Bruevich St. Petersburg State University of Telecommunications, contact person: Alexey Grudinin



## How does it work



- Any representative of the full-member organization can propose a new project
- Project can be initiated by professor, industry expert or by any student
  - When professor initiate a project, he/she has to become supervisor of the team
  - When project proposal comes from industry expert, he/she takes obligation to be team's tutor
  - When students come with idea of new project they can ask for supervisor and/or tutor from FRUCT board
- Project teams can ask FRUCT board for professional advices, results review and other types of help and support, including different types of donations (books, devices, etc)
- The expected main project deliverable is a paper, but depending on the project scope some other deliverables are also possible and appreciated
- Yearly we organize two educational & info sharing seminars (in Russia and Finland)
  - To seminars we invite top experts with lectures on the subjects of program projects
  - The seminar is a place where teams can present their project progress and results
  - The next seminar will be held in May 2008 in St-Petersburg, Russia
- Based on seminar presentations FRUCT board might recommend some papers to publication at world top conferences and Nokia allocates couple of travel grants for this
- For more information about program's structure and work principles please refer to <u>www.fruct.org</u>



#### **Focus Areas**



- Modulation, signaling and multiple access formats (spread spectrum, OFDM, CDMA, multi-carrier CDMA, etc.)
- Signature ensemble design for high-rate multi-user data transmission
- Practicable codes and coded-modulated constellations nearing channel capacity
- Signal and processing algorithms design for channel piloting and synchronization
- MIMO architectures and space-time coding schemes applicable to 4G interface
- Advanced multi-user receive algorithms
- Simulation of 4G channels and proposed transmit/receive architectures
- Embedded networks
- Service design and development

and other areas interesting for students, supervisors and tutors ...



## **List of Projects**



- 1. WiFi throughput during wireless video transmission
- 2. Laboratory of video transmission
- 3. Coding in 4G
- 4. Mobile multimedia broadcasting technologies
- 5. System level simulator for hybrid broadcast/cellular networks
- 6. Bandwidth and power efficient OFDM
- 7. Resource allocation in OFDMA
- 8. Security in Embedded Networks
- 9. Software licensing in mobile industry
- 10. Video streaming for cellular systems
- 11. Nokia Widsets service investigation





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#### Lets make together FRUCT be fruitful cooperation framework!



# Seminar program, Day 1 (November 7, Wednesday)

9:45	1.0h	Mobile Trusted Module, Jan-Erik Ekberg, Nokia	
10:45	15m	Coffee-break	
11:00	1.5h	Resources and paths of modernization of user interface of GPS. Valery Ipatov, University of Turku/St. Petersburg Electrotechnical University "LETI"	
12:30	1.0h	Lunch, ICT-restaurant	
13:30	1.0h	Embedded networks. Michel Gillet and Sergey Balandin, Nokia	
14:30	15m	Security in embedded networks. Elena Reshetova, St. Petersburg University of Airspace Instrumentation	
14:45	15m	Experimental wireless channel model derivation. Sergey Andreev, St. Petersburg University of Airspace Instrumentation	
15:00	15m	Research in telecommunication laboratory at University of Jyväskylä. Olli Alanen, University of Jyväskylä	
15:15	15m	Research activity at Institute of Communications Engineering. Tampere University of Technology. Yevgeni Koucheryavy, Tampere University of Technology	
15:30	15m	Traffic transmission optimization via wireless networks using cross-layer techniques. Yevgeni Koucheryavy, Tampere University of Technology	
15:45	15m	Coffee-break	

**Connecting People** 



16:00	1.0h	Resource management and QoS in 802.16d/e and multi-hop 802.16j networks. Alexander Sayenko, Nokia
17:00	15m	MAC protocols for broadband wireless networks: overview of ongoing research and open problems. Alexey Vinel, Institute for Information transmission problems, Russian Academy of Sciences
17:15	15m	Optimal MAC PDU size in 802.16 networks. Henrik Martikainen, University of Jyväskylä
17:30	15m	Performance evaluation of 802.16 ARQ mechanism. Vitaliy Tykhomyrov, University of Jyväskylä
17:45	15m	Optimal uplink subframe structure for WiMAX MAC protocol in PMP mode. Alexey Vinel, Institute for Information transmission problems, Russian Academy of Sciences
18:00	15m	Video surveillance networks. Aleksandra Karimaa, University of Turku





18:30	30m	Turku sights bus tour	
19:00	1.0h	Buffet dinner at Aula Café, Itäinen Rantakatu 4-6, http://www.aulacafe.fi	
20:00	1.0h	Guided tour at Aboa Vetus (Old Turku) museum	
21:00	2.0h	Cocktail reception at Aula Café	

