

DL VISIT REPORT – Professor Hani Hagraş

Ottawa, Canada – April 21-23, 2018

The IEEE Computational Intelligence / Systems, Man and Cybernetics (CI/SMC) Joint Ottawa Chapter had the privilege of hosting Professor Hani Hagraş (University of Essex, United Kingdom), IEEE CIS Distinguished Lecturer, during his visit to Ottawa from April 21-23, 2018. Professor Hagraş' trip was sponsored by IEEE CIS, the local IEEE Robotics & Automation, Computer Society and CI/SMC joint Ottawa chapters as well as the University of Ottawa's Computer Science Graduate Student Association (CSGSA).

Professor Hagraş arrived on Saturday April 21, 2018 at the Ottawa airport and was greeted by the chapter chair, Dr. Rafael Falcon. He was then driven to his accommodation, the Embassy Hotel & Suites, conveniently located steps away from Ottawa City Hall and the Rideau Canal.

The April 23th DL technical talk was intensely advertised through multiple channels: (1) an IEEE e-Notice to all CI/SMC chapter members, (2) EventBrite.ca, (3) the students and staff at the University of Ottawa's School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and (4) all attendees to previous events. The event was technically and financially co-sponsored by the IEEE CI/SMC joint chapter, the Ottawa Robotics & Automation chapter, the Ottawa Computer Society chapter and the University of Ottawa's Computer Science Graduate Student Association (CSGSA).

The technical talk entitled "**Type-2 fuzzy logic systems and their applications**" was held at Room 5084, School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, University of Ottawa between 12:00 and 1:30 pm.

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Professor Hani Hagraş

University of Essex, United Kingdom

CIS Distinguished Lecturer

Where?	SITE 5084 University of Ottawa 800 King Edward Ave Ottawa
When?	Monday April 23, 2018 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (EDT)
Pizza and drinks will be served!	

We had 18 attendees out of 35 registrations received via www.eventbrite.ca, with a good mix between students and practitioners/professionals. All attendees enjoyed a very lively discussion on the potential applications of Type-2 fuzzy systems. The audience was truly engaged as Professor Hagrais journeyed through the building blocks of type-2 fuzzy systems and their plethora of successful applications. A very thought-provoking Q&A period followed.

Following the talk, the CI/SMC joint chapter vice-chair, Dr. Julio Valdes, drove Professor Hagrais to the airport. Dr. Valdes wished Professor Hagrais a safe travel home and passed on the gratitude on behalf of all chapter members for this short yet fruitful visit to Ottawa.

We gratefully acknowledge the support received from the IEEE CIS Distinguished Lecturer Program to have Professor Hagrais visit Ottawa in the spring of 2018 and look forward to hosting more Distinguished Lecturers in the future.

Best regards,

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