

**APPLICATION FOR  
COMSOC DISTINGUISHED LECTURER TOUR  
by Professor Ashutosh Dutta  
Region: EMEA (R8: South Africa)**

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Dear Andrzej Jajszczyk,

We are planning a distinguished lecture tour in Region EMEA (R8) involving IEEE South Africa Joint ComSoc/SP Chapter (the only ComSoc Chapter in South Africa). The distinguished lecturer is **Prof Ashutosh Dutta, Columbia University, New York, USA ([ad37@caa.columbia.edu](mailto:ad37@caa.columbia.edu))**. His lectures will be on Software Defined Networks (SDN), Network Function Virtualization (NFV), 5G and related topics.

The chapter involved in the tour along with the respective chapter chair is: IEEE South Africa Section Joint ComSoc/SP Chapter chaired by Prof Reza Malekian <[reza.malekian@up.ac.za](mailto:reza.malekian@up.ac.za)>

The itinerary proposed for the tour includes 3 lectures in 3 different Provinces of South Africa and is shown below:

Day#	Description	DoW	Date
1	Departure from New York, USA, main international flight	Fri	2018-03-16
2	Arrival to Johannesburg, South Africa, and rest	Sat	2018-03-17
3	Rest and meeting in Pretoria	Sun	2018-03-18
4	A full day SDN workshop at CSIR, Pretoria, Gauteng Province, which will include industry	Mon	2018-03-19
5	Meetings in Pretoria and Drive to Limpopo (300km ~ 3.5h);	Tue	2018-03-20
6	A morning Distinguished lecture at U. of Limpopo, Limpopo Province, drive back (300km~3.5h)	Wed	2018-03-21
7	Drive to airport (60km), 2h flight to Cape Town (1200km), drive from airport (30km);	Thu	2018-03-22
8	A Distinguished lecture at U. of Cape Town, Cape Town, Western Cape Province	Fri	2018-03-23
9	Flight back from Cape Town to Johannesburg and main return flight from Johannesburg to USA	Sat	2018-03-24
10	Arrival to New York, USA	Sun	2018-03-25

*We are working to organize additional meetings with industry and academia (it is currently a holiday season in South Africa so we will get responses closer to the end of January 2018).I believe we will be able to arrange at least 2 more meetings with industry and 1 more lecture.*

The breakdown of **estimated** costs to are as follows (including several confirmed sponsorships):

	Subtotals, ZAR	Contributions (in %)						Subtotal
		ComSoc	Chapter	Section	CSIR	SAIEE	Local hosts	(%)
Return international flight	R 17 000	100%						100%
Airport shuttle, Travel insurance etc.	R 2 000	100%						100%
Daily allowance R300 x 9days	R 2 700				100%			100%
Accommodation R1.4k x 8nights	R 11 200		40%		40%	20%		100%
Car rental R500 x 8days	R 4 000		100%					100%
Petrol	R 600			100%				100%
Return local flight	R 3 000		100%					100%
SIM card, airtime and data	R 500			100%				100%
snacks for lectures	R 3 000				40%		60%	100%
suppers with key people	R 2 000			50%	50%			100%
<b>Subtotal, ZAR</b>		<b>R 19 000</b>	<b>R 11 480</b>	<b>R 2 100</b>	<b>R 9 380</b>	<b>R 2 240</b>	<b>R 1 800</b>	
<i>Max allowed, ZAR</i>			<i>R 12 000</i>		<i>R 7 000</i>			
<b>Subtotal, USD</b>		<b>\$1 584</b>	<b>\$957</b>	<b>\$175</b>	<b>\$782</b>	<b>\$187</b>	<b>\$150</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL, ZAR</b>								<b>R 46 000</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL, USD</b>								<b>\$3 835</b>

I hope that the tour will be approved by ComSoc. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Best Regards,  
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