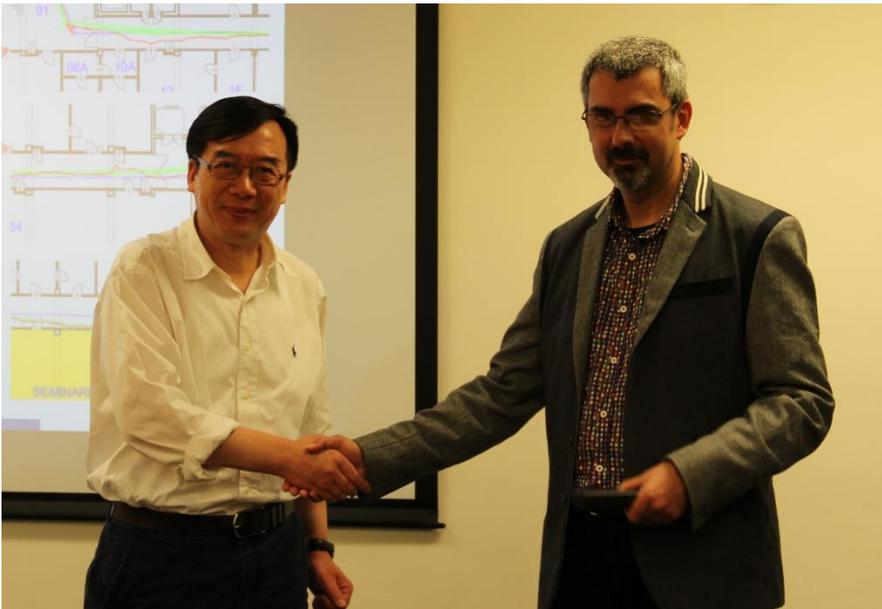


LSGI Distinguished Lecture

Topic: Novel Indoor Localization Technologies Using Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi)

Overview

It was our pleasure to invite Prof. Dr. Günther Retscher, Associate Professor at the Department of Geodesy and Geoinformation of the TU Wien – Vienna University of Technology, Austria to deliver a seminar of the LSGI Distinguished Lecture Series on 14 May 2016.



Prof. Dr. Günther Retscher provided an insight into the use of a prominent signal of opportunity, namely Wi-Fi, in his seminar. Two new approaches developed at the TU Wien – Vienna University of Technology, Austria were introduced. In the first one, localization fingerprinting was the employed positioning method. A so-called 'intelligent check-point' (iCP) concept had been developed to reduce the laborious work for the establishment of reference points and radio maps of Wi-Fi signal strength distributions located throughout the area of interest. The second approach was based on the well-known DGPS principle. Prof. Dr. Günther Retscher and his team termed it, Differential Wi-Fi (DWi-Fi). From measurements to reference stations area correction parameters were derived and applied for positioning determination of a mobile user.

Both technologies had been extensively tested in a multi-storey office building. The main findings were highlighted in this presentation. It was shown that the two approaches were capable to locate a user carrying a smartphone or other mobile device in complex buildings, like office buildings, hospitals, airports, train stations, hotels, convention centers, etc.

Prof. Dr. Günther Retscher



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