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## Highlights

### Opening and Keynote I

Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 8:30-10:35

#### Keynote I: In Memory of Edward J. McCluskey: The Next Wave of Pioneering Innovations

Organizers/Chairs:

Subhasish Mitra (Stanford University), Deming Chen (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

This special plenary session will celebrate Prof. McCluskey (who passed away in 2016) through three keynote speeches by world-renowned scholars on the next wave of pioneering innovations, starting with a memorial speech by Prof. Jacob Abraham of University of Texas at Austin.

Keynote I-1: **K.-T. Tim Cheng** (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology) “Heterogeneous Integration of X-tronics: Design Automation and Education”

Keynote I-2: **John Rogers** (Northwestern University) “Electronics for the Human Body”

Keynote I-3: **Hiroto Yasuura** (Kyushu University) “Design of Society: Beyond Digital System Design”

### Keynote II

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 9:00-9:50

**Napoleon Torres-Martinez** (CEA LETI)

“Emerging Medical Technologies for Interfacing the Brain: From Deep Brain Stimulation to Brain Computer Interfaces”

### Keynote III

Thursday, January 19, 2017, 9:00-9:50

**Steve Trimberger** (Xilinx Research Labs)

“All-Programmable FPGAs: More Powerful Devices Require More Powerful Tools”

### Special Sessions

#### 1S: (Presentation + Poster Discussion) University Design Contest

Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 11:05-13:50

#### 2S: (Invited Talks) Neuromorphic Computing and Low-Power Image Recognition

Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 13:50-15:30

#### 3S: (Invited Talks) Let's Secure the Physics of Cyber-Physical Systems

Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 15:50-17:30

#### 4S: (Invited Talks) Emerging Technologies for Biomedical Applications: Artificial Vision Systems and Brain Machine Interface

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 10:15-12:20

#### 7S: (Invited Talks) When Backend Meets Frontend: Cross-Layer Design & Optimization for System Robustness

Thursday, January 19, 2017, 10:15-12:20

### Designers' Forum

#### 5S: (Oral Session) Advanced Devices and Networks for IoT Applications

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 13:50-15:30

#### 6S: (Panel Discussion) What is future AI we will create? – “Doraemon” or “Terminator”? –

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 15:50-17:30

#### 8S: (Oral Session) Advanced Automotive Security

Thursday, January 19, 2017, 13:50-15:30

#### 9S: (Oral Session) Advanced Image Sensing and Processing

Thursday, January 19, 2017, 15:50-17:30

## Tutorials

ASP-DAC 2017 offers attendees a set of two-hour intense introductions to specific topics. Each tutorial will be presented twice a day to allow attendees to cover multiple topics. If you register for tutorials, you have the option to select three out of the six topics.

### **Tutorial-1: Silicon Photonics for Computing Systems: Opportunities, Challenges, and Implementations**

Monday, January 16, 2017, 9:30-11:30, 12:45-14:45

Organizers:

Jiang Xu (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

Yuichi Nakamura (NEC)

Speakers:

Jiang Xu (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

Shigeru Nakamura (NEC)

### **Tutorial-2: Towards Energy-Efficient Intelligence in Power-/Area-Constrained Hardware**

Monday, January 16, 2017, 9:30-11:30, 12:45-14:45

Organizer:

Jae-sun Seo (Arizona State Univ.)

Speakers:

Zhengya Zhang (U. Michigan, Ann Arbor)

Mingoo Seok (Columbia Univ.)

Jae-sun Seo (Arizona State Univ.)

### **Tutorial-3: Post-Silicon Validation and Emulation-Based Validation Using Exercisers**

Monday, January 16, 2017, 9:30-11:30, 15:15-17:15

Organizers:

Ronny Morad (IBM Research - Haifa)

Vitali Sokhin (IBM Research - Haifa)

Speakers:

Ronny Morad (IBM Research - Haifa)

Vitali Sokhin (IBM Research - Haifa)

### **Tutorial-4: Quick Start Guide of Digital PLL for Digital Designers**

Monday, January 16, 2017, 9:30-11:30, 15:15-17:15

Organizer:

Kenichi Okada (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

Speakers:

Kenichi Okada (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

Salvatore Levantino (Politecnico di Milano)

### **Tutorial-5: The Emergence of Hardware Oriented Security and Trust**

Monday, January 16, 2017, 12:45-14:45, 15:15-17:15

Organizer:

Chip-Hong Chang (Nanyang Technological Univ.)

Speakers:

Chip-Hong Chang (Nanyang Technological Univ.)

Yier Jin (Univ. of Central Florida)

### **Tutorial-6: Cross-Layer Reliability Aware Design, Optimization and Dynamic Management**

Monday, January 16, 2017, 12:45-14:45, 15:15-17:15

Organizer:

Sheldon Tan (UC Riverside)

Speakers:

Sheldon Tan (UC Riverside)

Mehdi Tahoori (Karlsruhe Inst. Tech.)

Hai-Bao Chen (Shanghai Jiao Tong Univ.)

## Welcome to ASP-DAC 2017



On behalf of the Organizing Committee, I would like to invite all of the engineers on the LSI design and design automation areas to the 22nd Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC2017). ASP-DAC2017 will be held from January 16th (Mon.) to January 19th (Thu.), 2017 at Makuhari Messe, Chiba, Japan.

ASP-DAC is a high-quality and premium conference on Electronic Design Automation (EDA) area like other sister conferences such as Design Automation Conference (DAC), Design, Automation & Test in Europe (DATE), and International Conference on Computer Aided Design (ICCAD). ASP-DAC started in 1995 and has continuously offered opportunity to know the recent advanced technologies on LSI design and design automation areas, and to communicate each other for researchers and designers around Asia and South Pacific regions.

The conference site is Makuhari Messe, which is one of the biggest international convention complexes in Japan and a memorable place where the first ASP-DAC was held in 1995. Hundreds of companies are accumulated around the complex, and big events on various industrial fields including semiconductor and electronics are held every year. As Makuhari Messe is close to Tokyo, about 30 minutes by train, you can easily access the venue from Narita (New Tokyo) or Haneda (Tokyo) international airport. Joining the conference and participating in technological discussions, you can also enjoy many attractions in Tokyo area, such as Tokyo Disneyland and Disneysea, the world-highest TV tower called Tokyo Sky Tree, Akihabara, etc.

ASP-DAC2017 received 358 submissions from all over the world. Based on rigorous and thorough reviews and a full-day face-to-face meeting by the Technical Program Committee in August at Hong Kong, 111 papers have been accepted and 27 technical sessions have been organized. 4 Special Sessions have also been organized based on invited talks by the Technical Program Committee.

We have arranged three Keynote sessions at the beginning of each day to know the future directions of this area. The first keynote is a joint keynote celebrating Prof. McCluskey (who passed away in February 2016) through three speeches by world-renowned scholars on the next wave of pioneering innovations. The first speech is 'Heterogeneous integration of X-tronics: Design automation and education' by Prof. Tim Cheng of Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. The second one is 'Electronics for the Human Body' by Prof. John Rogers of Northwestern University. And the last one is 'Design of society: Beyond digital system design' by Prof. Hiroto Yasuura of Kyushu University, Japan. The second keynote address is 'Emerging medical technologies for interfacing the brain: From deep brain stimulation to brain computer interfaces' by Dr. Napoleon Torres-Martinez of CEA LETI, France. The third keynote address is 'All-programmable FPGAs: More powerful devices require more powerful tools' by Dr. Steve Trimberger of Xilinx Research Labs.

The Designers' Forum is a unique program that will share design experience and solutions of actual product designs of the industries. The topics discussed in this forum include IoT applications, AI technologies, automotive security, and advanced image sensing and processing technologies.

The University Design Contest is also an important annual event of ASP-DAC where more than 20 high-quality designs all including actual silicon proof were selected for presentation at Tuesday, January 17.

Six tutorials have been arranged on Monday, January 16. Each tutorial has 2 hour presentation, and will be held 2 times. Registrants can take any 3 of 6 tutorials with the reduced tutorial fee depending on their interests and can obtain wider perspective on the recent hot topics.

ASP-DAC2017 offers you an ideal opportunity to touch the recent technologies and the future directions on the LSI design and design automation areas. You will be able to meet and discuss with a lot of researchers and designers on this area, so please do not miss ASP-DAC2017. Finally, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to sponsors and supporters.

**Naofumi Takagi** (Kyoto University)  
General Chair, ASP-DAC 2017

## Message from the Technical Program Committee



David Z. Pan



Atsushi Takahashi



Tohru Ishihara

On behalf of the Technical Program Committee of the 22nd Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC) 2017, we would like to welcome all of you to the conference scheduled from January 16 to 19, 2017 in Chiba/Tokyo, Japan.

This year, ASP-DAC received 358 paper submissions from 25 countries/regions, with the majority of them from Asia, North America, and Europe. The challenge of selecting which papers to accept was significant. We organized the Technical Program Committee (TPC) with 107 professionals

who are leading experts on EDA, IC design, system design, hardware security, and emerging technologies/applications. These TPC members are from 13 countries/regions, and organized into 15 subcommittees. The review process ensured fairness through a rigorous double-blind review process to resolve any possible conflict of interest. The full-day TPC meeting was held at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (HKPU) on August 29, 2016, with the EDA Workshop afterwards. Almost all TPC members physically attended the TPC meeting, and some joined via teleconferencing due to personal emergency. Out of the 358 submissions, 111 high-quality regular papers were selected, which corresponds to a very competitive acceptance rate of 31%.

The complete conference program consists of regular papers, keynote speeches, as well as special and design contest sessions. They are compiled into a three-day, four parallel-session program. The keynotes are held every morning to kick off the technical sessions. The regular papers are presented in 27 sessions on tracks A, B, and C. The special and design sessions are allocated on track S.

Each Subcommittee was eligible to nominate one best paper candidate. The Best Paper Award (BPA) Committee which consists of 17 members selected 11 best paper candidates, which further went through a rigorous evaluation process. Finally two best paper award winners were selected.

The fruitful technical program of the ASP-DAC 2017 was not possible without hard work of all the authors, reviewers, and TPC members. Special thanks go to TPC Secretaries for their excellent support. Thanks to the generous financial support from HKPU, Cadence, Huawei, and IEEE/CEDA, the TPC meeting provided high-quality supplements in both academic and social programs. Finally, we would also like to thank the Organizing Committee for their extraordinary services.

We hope you enjoy the ASP-DAC 2017 technical program.

**David Z. Pan** (University of Texas at Austin)  
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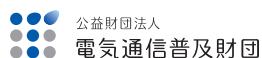


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## **University LSI Design Contest**

The University LSI Design Contest has been conceived as a unique program at ASP-DAC. The purpose of the contest is to encourage research in LSI design at universities and its realization on a chip by providing opportunities to present and discuss the innovative and state-of-the-art design. The scope of the contest covers circuit techniques for (1) Analog / RF / Mixed-Signal Circuits, (2) Digital Signal Processor, (3) Microprocessors, and (4) Custom Application Specific Circuits / Memories, and methodologies for (a) Full-Custom / Cell-Based LSIs, (b) Gate Arrays, and (c) Field Programmable Devices.

This year, the University LSI Design Contest Committee received 25 designs from five countries/areas, and selected 20 designs out of them. The selected designs will be disclosed in Session 1S at three-minute presentations, followed by interactive discussions in front of their posters with light meals. For two outstanding designs, The Best Design Award and The Special Feature Award will be presented in the opening session. We sincerely acknowledge the other contributions to the contest, too. It is our earnest belief to promote and enhance research and education in LSI design in academic organizations. Please come to the University LSI Design Contest and enjoy the stimulating discussions.

**Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2017**

**Place: Makuhari Messe International Convention Complex, International Conference Hall, 1F**

Oral Presentation: Room 103 (11:05-12:20)

Poster Presentation: Lobby [Food will be served] (12:20-13:50)

University LSI Design Contest Committee Co-Chairs:

**Noriyuki Miura**

(Kobe University)

**Hiroyuki Ito**

(Tokyo Institute of Technology)

## Designers' Forum

The Designers' Forum is a unique program that will share design experience and solutions of actual product designs of the industries. This year's program includes the invited talks on the advanced devices and networks for IoT applications, advanced automotive security, and advanced image sensing and processing. The forum also includes a panel discussion relating to the future of AI technologies.

Oral Sessions: (5S) Advanced Devices and Networks for IoT Applications

(8S) Advanced Automotive Security

(9S) Advanced Image Sensing and Processing

Panel Discussions: (6S) What is future AI we will create ? - "Doraemon" or "Terminator" ? -

Session 5S (13:50-15:30, Jan. 18th)

### [Advanced Devices and Networks for IoT Applications]

In order to realize the system for various IoT applications, it must be considered the overall element technologies from the sensor-front to the cloud via the network. In this session, for the specified concrete IoT applications, it will introduce a distinctive technology to realize it. In details, the first presentation of this session describes an autonomous mesh networking technology that allows a maintenance-free deployment of the sensor node for the infrastructural monitoring system. The second is the small, high-performance and low-power CPU technology for the wearable devices used in the wellness applications. The third is the ultra-low-power circuit techniques for energy-harvesting which realizes a millimeter-size sensors strewn as a dust computing applications. The final presentation is DFS (dynamic frequency selection) technology that is an advanced network devices to communicate the huge amount of data generated from a various IoT applications.

Session 6S (15:50-17:30, Jan. 18th)

### [What is future AI we will create? - "Doraemon" or "Terminator" ? -]

Nowadays, Artificial Intelligence (AI) research and development is in third boom. The driving force behind this advancement is deep learning technology. Its high level feature extraction ability was adopted in AI GO application "AlphaGO", and accomplished a great feat that AlphaGO overthrew human champion. But emergence of strong AI is now stirring up controversy simultaneously. Our job is just maybe replaced with AI power !! Is it true? What should we do, if autonomous AI has consciousness and has hostility toward human? These concerns is too excessive assumption, but we cannot ignore. So, in this panel session, we will discuss about real situation of current AI and think about future AI. Key word is "Doraemon" and "Terminator."

Session 8S (13:50-15:30, Jan. 19th)

### [Advanced Automotive Security]

The security implementation for automotive is getting hot and essential toward autonomous driving. This session will visit its trend, hardware implementation, hardware attack and its countermeasure. The first talk presents recent threats in automotive systems and their countermeasures with security applications. The next presentation shows the actual implementation of hardware security module for microcontrollers. The third one demonstrates the hardware attack experience in academia and proposes the key management method. The final talk shares physical and logical attacks previously being used for smart card and their countermeasures.

Session 9S (15:50-17:30, Jan. 19th)

### [Advanced Image Sensing and Processing]

Four advanced design examples of image sensors and processors are described. For designing better image quality and intelligent functionality on image sensing and processing, this session covers circuit techniques on analog-to-digital conversion, 3-D stacked device integration, system architecture integrating computational vision, and FPGA implementation efficiently accelerating partial image retrieval. The first talk presents a 250M-pixel CMOS image sensor employing column-parallel dual-gain amplifiers, followed by a back-illuminated stacked CMOS image sensor achieving multi-functional modes. The third presentation forecasts the next trend on machine vision beyond human eyes. The final talk demonstrates an FPGA-accelerated partial image-matching engine for massive media-data searching systems.

Designers' Forum Co-Chairs:

**Masaitsu Nakajima**  
(socionext, Japan)

**Koji Inoue**  
(Kyushu University, Japan)

## ACM SIGDA Student Research Forum at ASP-DAC 2017

The Student Research Forum at the ASP-DAC is renovated from a traditional poster session hosted by ACM SIGDA for Ph.D. students to present and discuss their dissertation research with experts in system design and design automation community. Starting from 2015, the forum includes both Ph.D. and M.S. students, offering great opportunity for the students to establish contacts for their future career. In addition, the forum helps the companies and academic institutes to get an overview of the latest research and discover the extraordinary candidates for their employment. The forum is open to all students of the relevant research community and is free-of-charge.

**Date and Time:** 18:00-20:00, January 17th, 2017

**Location:** Room 201 [Food will be served.]

We would like to thank the following committee members for their support and contribution to this forum.

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The sponsors of this forum are ACM SIGDA and Cadence Design Systems, Inc. We would also like to thank ASP-DAC 2017 for supporting this forum.

ACM SIGDA Student Research Forum Chair:

**Zili Shao**  
(The Hong Kong Polytechnic Univ.)

ACM SIGDA Student Research Forum Co-Chair:

**Jingtong Hu**  
(Oklahoma State University)

## Best Paper Award

### Award Winners

#### 9C-1: “Classification Accuracy Improvement for Neuromorphic Computing Systems with One-level Precision Synapses”

Yandan Wang, Wei Wen, Linghao Song, Hai Li (Univ. of Pittsburgh, U.S.A.)

#### 8B-1: “Spendthrift: Machine Learning Based Resource and Frequency Scaling for Ambient Energy Harvesting Nonvolatile Processors”

Kaisheng Ma, Xueqing Li, Srivatsa Rangachar Srinivasa (Penn State Univ., U.S.A.), Yongpan Liu (Tsinghua Univ., China), John (Jack) Sampson (Penn State Univ., U.S.A.), Yuan Xie (UCSB, U.S.A.), Vijaykrishnan Narayanan (Penn State Univ., U.S.A.)

### Candidates

#### 1A-1: “AGARSoC: Automated Test and Coverage-Model Generation for Verification of Accelerator-Rich SoCs”

Biruk Mammo, Doowon Lee, Harrison Davis, Yijun Hou, Valeria Bertacco (Univ. of Michigan, U.S.A.)

#### 2C-2: “Workload-aware Static Aging Monitoring of Timing-critical Flip-flops”

Arunkumar Vijayan, Saman Kiamehr, Fabian Oboril (Karlsruhe Inst. of Tech., Germany), Krishnendu Chakrabarty (Duke Univ., U.S.A.), Mehdi Tahoori (Karlsruhe Inst. of Tech., Germany)

#### 3B-1: “Efficient Parallel Verification of Galois Field Multipliers”

Cunxi Yu, Maciej Ciesielski (Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst, U.S.A.)

#### 3C-1: “Algorithm for Synthesis and Exploration of Clock Spines”

Youngchan Kim, Taewhan Kim (Seoul National Univ., Republic of Korea)

#### 4C-1: “Network Flow Based Cut Redistribution and Insertion For Advanced 1D Layout Design”

Ye Zhang, Wai-Shing Luk, Fan Yang, Changhao Yan (Fudan Univ., China), Hai Zhou (Northwestern Univ., U.S.A.), Dian Zhou (Univ. of Texas, Dallas, U.S.A.), Xuan Zeng (Fudan Univ., China)

#### 5B-1: “An Artificial Neural Network Approach for Screening Test Escapes”

Fan Lin (Univ. of California, Santa Barbara, U.S.A.), Kwang-Ting Tim Cheng (Hong Kong Univ. of Science and Tech., Hong Kong)

#### 7A-1: “Improving LDPC Performance Via Asymmetric Sensing Level Placement on Flash Memory”

Qiao Li, Liang Shi (Chongqing Univ., China), Chun Jason Xue (City Univ. of Hong Kong, Hong Kong), Qingfeng Zhuge, Edwin H.-M. Sha (Chongqing Univ., China)

#### 7B-1: “Trojan Localization using Symbolic Algebra”

Farimah Farahmandi, Yuanwen Huang, \*Prabhat Mishra (Univ. of Florida, U.S.A.)

#### 7C-1: “Towards Scalable and Efficient GPU-Enabled Slicing Acceleration for Continuous 3D Printing”

Aosen Wang, Chi Zhou (State Univ. of New York at Buffalo, U.S.A.), Zhanpeng Jin (State Univ. of New York, Binghamton, U.S.A.), Wenyao Xu (State Univ. of New York at Buffalo, U.S.A.)

## University LSI Design Contest Award

### Best Design Award

#### 1S-1: “W-Band Ultra-High Data-Rate 65nm CMOS Wireless Transceiver”

Korkut Kaan Tokgoz, Shotaro Maki, Seitarou Kawai, Noriaki Nagashima (Tokyo Inst. of Tech., Japan), Yoichi Kawano, Toshihide Suzuki, Taisuke Iwai (Fujitsu Labs., Japan), Kenichi Okada, Akira Matsuzawa (Tokyo Inst. of Tech., Japan)

### Special Feature Award

#### 1S-20: “Design of High-Frequency Piezoelectric Resonator-Based Cascaded Fractional-N PLL with Sub-ppb-Order Channel Adjusting Technique”

Yosuke Ishikawa, Sho Ikeda, Hiroyuki Ito (Tokyo Inst. of Tech., Japan), Akihumi Kasamatsu (NICT, Japan), Takayoshi Obara, Naoki Noguchi, Koji Kamisuki, Yao Jiyang (Tokyo Inst. of Tech., Japan), Shinsuke Hara, Ruibing Dong (NICT, Japan), Shiro Dosho, Noboru Ishihara, Kazuya Masu (Tokyo Inst. of Tech., Japan)

## 10-Year Retrospective Most Influential Paper Award

### Award Winner

(ASP-DAC 2007)

#### 8B-1: “Thermal-Aware 3D IC Placement Via Transformation”

Jason Cong, Guojie Luo, Jie Wei, Yan Zhang (Univ. of California, Los Angeles, United States)

### Candidates

#### 2A-2: “FastPlace 3.0: A Fast Multilevel Quadratic Placement Algorithm with Placement Congestion Control”

Natarajan Viswanathan, Min Pan, Chris Chu (Iowa State Univ., United States)

#### 3A-2: “FastRoute 2.0: A High-quality and Efficient Global Router”

Min Pan, Chris Chu (Iowa State Univ., United States)

#### 9C-1: “Multithreaded SAT Solving”

Matthew Lewis, Tobias Schubert, Bernd Becker (Albert-Ludwigs-Univ. of Freiburg, Germany)

## Invitation to ASP-DAC 2018



On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is my great pleasure and honor to invite you to the 23rd ASP-DAC, to be held in Jeju Island, Korea, January 22-24, 2018. Jeju Island (also known as Jejudo or Jeju) is the largest island which lies on the southern side off the coast of the Korean Peninsula.

Jeju is famous for its natural scene of breathtaking beauty. It is a popular vacation spot and remains one of the top honeymoon destinations for newlyweds. There are many sightseeing points in Jeju such as: Mount Hallasan (the island's central dominant peak), Manjanggul Lava Tube, Sunrise Peak, to name just a few. In 2007, the volcanic island and lava tube cave systems were designated as UNESCO World Natural Heritage Sites. Jeju features pleasant weather all year round, from low 6°C (42°F) to high 27°C (80°F). Jeju can conveniently be reached from many cities in Asian countries through direct flight; the flight from Seoul, the capital city of Korea which is directly reachable from all over the world, to Jeju is about an hour.

Conference venue is International Convention Center Jeju (ICCJEJU), the facility famous for hosting many conferences and international meetings, e.g. ASEAN-KOREA Commemorative Summit 2009. It is located in the Jungmun Tourist Complex with the Ocean right on the south and Mount Hallasan in the north. It is close to a wide range of hotels, resorts, tourist attractions, restaurants, which probably will bring ASP-DAC 2018 participants a wonderful experience.

Jeju is not just famous for its tourist attractions. It is a hub of many IT companies. Holding ASP-DAC 2018 in Jeju will help the local academia and the worldwide academia and semiconductor industry to get closer and exchange electronic design knowledge and experience in Jeju and learn from the ASP-DAC community.

We warmly welcome participants from all around the world to meet and exchange our visions in the future design automation and embedded system design related technologies. Your active submissions are highly appreciated in order to contribute for an excellent technical program of ASP-DAC 2018.

We hope to see you all in Jeju Island with ASP-DAC 2018!

**Youngsoo Shin**  
General Chair, ASP-DAC 2018

## Tutorials

ASP-DAC 2017 offers attendees a set of two-hour intense introductions to specific topics. Each tutorial will be presented twice a day to allow attendees to cover multiple topics. If you register for tutorials, you have the option to select three out of the six topics.

Monday, January 16				
	Room 102	Room 103	Room 104	Room 105
9:30	<b>Tutorial-1:</b> Silicon Photonics for Computing Systems: Opportunities, Challenges, and Implementations	<b>Tutorial-2:</b> Towards Energy-Efficient Intelligence in Power-/Area-Constrained Hardware	<b>Tutorial-3:</b> Post-Silicon Validation and Emulation-Based Validation Using Exercisers	<b>Tutorial-4:</b> Quick Start Guide of Digital PLL for Digital Designers
11:30				Lunch Break [coupon]
12:45	<b>Tutorial-1:</b> Silicon Photonics for Computing Systems: Opportunities, Challenges, and Implementations	<b>Tutorial-2:</b> Towards Energy-Efficient Intelligence in Power-/Area-Constrained Hardware	<b>Tutorial-5:</b> The Emergence of Hardware Oriented Security and Trust	<b>Tutorial-6:</b> Cross-Layer Reliability Aware Design, Optimization and Dynamic Management
14:45			Break	
15:15	<b>Tutorial-3:</b> Post-Silicon Validation and Emulation-Based Validation Using Exercisers	<b>Tutorial-4:</b> Quick Start Guide of Digital PLL for Digital Designers	<b>Tutorial-5:</b> The Emergence of Hardware Oriented Security and Trust	<b>Tutorial-6:</b> Cross-Layer Reliability Aware Design, Optimization and Dynamic Management
17:15				

**Tutorial-1** Monday, January 16, 9:30 - 11:30, 12:45 - 14:45@Room 102

### Silicon Photonics for Computing Systems: Opportunities, Challenges, and Implementations

Organizers:

**Jiang Xu** (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology), **Yuichi Nakamura** (NEC)

Speakers:

**Jiang Xu** (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology), **Shigeru Nakamura** (NEC)

#### Tutorial Outline:

Computing systems, from HPC and data center to automobile and cellphone, are integrating growing numbers of processors, accelerators, memories, and peripherals to meet the burgeoning performance requirements of new applications under tight energy and thermal constraints. Recent advances in silicon photonics technologies promise ultra-high bandwidth, low latency, and great energy efficiency to alleviate the inter-rack, intra-rack, intra-board, and intra-chip communication bottlenecks in computing systems. Silicon photonics technologies piggyback onto developed silicon fabrication processes to provide viable and cost-effective solutions. Industry and academia have been actively developing silicon photonics technologies for the last decade. A large number of silicon photonics devices and circuits have been demonstrated in CMOS-compatible fabrication processes. Silicon photonics technologies open up new opportunities for architectures, design techniques, and EDA tools to fully explore new approaches and address the challenges of next-generation computing systems. This tutorial reviews the latest progresses and provides insights into the challenges and future developments, and covers the following topics.

- Implementation examples
- Optical and electrical interconnects and OE interfaces
- Integrated optical switches
- Inter/intra-chip optical networks
- High-radix optical switching fabric
- Optical thermal effects
- Optical crosstalk noises
- Modeling, analysis, and simulation platforms

**Tutorial-2** Monday, January 16, 9:30 - 11:30, 12:45 - 14:45@Room 103

### Towards Energy-Efficient Intelligence in Power/Area-Constrained Hardware

Organizer:

**Jae-sun Seo** (Arizona State Univ.)

Speakers:

**Zhengya Zhang** (U. Michigan, Ann Arbor), **Mingoo Seok** (Columbia Univ.), **Jae-sun Seo** (Arizona State Univ.)

#### Tutorial Outline:

In recent years, machine learning algorithms (e.g. deep neural networks) have become widespread across a broad range of vision, speech, and biomedical applications. For similar cognitive tasks, there also has been a surge of interest in neuromorphic computing (e.g. spiking neural networks), which more closely follow biological nervous systems.

While state-of-the-art deep learning algorithms keep advancing designs of large-scale network models (e.g., 1000-layer networks) for incremental accuracy improvement, many embedded hardware applications face limitations on their scale in terms of cost, power, and area. Several special purpose hardware solutions (e.g., IBM TrueNorth, DaDianNao, MIT Eyeriss) have been previously proposed to help bring expensive algorithms to a low-power processor; however, limitations still exist in homogeneous architecture, memory footprint, on-chip communication, and online learning capability. It is a challenging task to enable essential machine learning and neuromorphic processors in mobile, wearable, internet of things (IoT), and in extreme implantable devices, due to their divergent constraints in low power and small footprint. Efficient hardware implementation on these different platforms thus require substantial and holistic system enhancements that include computation (e.g., low-precision/approximate computing), memory (e.g., weight/network compression), and communication (e.g., processor-in-memory, spatial architecture).

In this context, this tutorial will present a range of recent algorithm/architecture/circuit/device co-design techniques that can advance the hardware implementation of learning and classification algorithms for various embedded applications, such as computer vision, speech recognition, personal health monitoring, brain-computer interface, etc. We will present results of recent CMOS ASIC prototype designs, as well as technology beyond CMOS, which employ software-hardware co-design to accomplish substantial improvements in performance, energy efficiency and form factor. The proposed and demonstrated techniques include model/memory compression, architecture optimization, novel circuit design, incorporation of emerging devices, and neuro-inspired learning. These techniques will effectively reduce the computation complexity, memory footprint, and communication energy, thereby improving the overall mapping of machine learning and neuromorphic algorithms to energy- and size-constrained embedded platforms. This tutorial will help shed light on the tremendous potential and research needs towards energy- efficient intelligence in ubiquitous resource-constrained hardware systems.

**Tutorial-3** Monday, January 16, 9:30 - 11:30@Room 104, 15:15 - 17:15@Room 102

### Post-Silicon Validation and Emulation-Based Validation Using Exercisers

Organizers:

**Ronny Morad** (IBM Research - Haifa), **Vitali Sokhin** (IBM Research - Haifa)

Speakers:

**Ronny Morad** (IBM Research - Haifa), **Vitali Sokhin** (IBM Research - Haifa)

#### Tutorial Outline:

A study conducted by Wilson Research Group and Mentor Graphics in 2014 reveals that 70% of the designs don't make it to first silicon success and require re-spins. Various chip vendors reported that more than 1% of their bugs escape to silicon. Also 57% of the verification projects that involve big designs (>80M gates) use emulation. More and more companies realize that simulation alone is just not enough for ensuring that their design is clean of bugs and turn to a fast platform, whether silicon or emulation or both. However, the unique characteristics of the fast platforms (on the one hand speed, on the other hand, limited observability and controllability) make it very challenging to use them efficiently. Simply re-using tests from simulation won't give the desired benefit. A bare-metal exerciser is a technology which is increasingly used by various chip vendors for validation on emulation and silicon. An exerciser is basically a program which generates a test, executes it and then checks for correctness, all on the Design Under Test itself without any communication with a host machine. This enables high utilization of the fast platform. In addition light-weight generation gives variability without sacrificing performance. The fact that an exerciser is bare-metal means that it does not rely on an operating system, and therefore it's easier to debug a failure. The collective experience of various chip vendor companies (IBM and others) show that bare-metal exercisers are very efficient in finding unique and severe bugs that no other tool or environment were able to find.

In this two hours tutorial we'll cover the motivation for post-silicon and emulation-based validation. We'll go over existing practices and discuss their advantages as well as limitations. We'll then turn to describing bare-metal exercisers in details. We'll explain the concept, the requirements from an exerciser, and analyze the software architecture of a state-of-the-art exerciser. We'll also cover a recommended methodology for using exercisers and share experience of several companies that use exercisers. We'll conclude with presenting open problems and research directions in this domain.

This tutorial is intended for practitioners from the industry who would like to learn more about post-silicon in general and about the role of exercisers in particular as well as for academics who are looking to extend their knowledge about post-silicon validation and the research challenges it presents.

**Tutorial-4** Monday, January 16, 9:30 - 11:30@Room 105, 15:15 - 17:15@Room 103

#### **Quick Start Guide of Digital PLL for Digital Designers**

Organizer:

**Kenichi Okada** (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

Speakers:

**Kenichi Okada** (Tokyo Institute of Technology), **Salvatore Levantino** (Politecnico di Milano)

#### **Tutorial Outline:**

This tutorial will introduce the fundamentals of digital phased-locked loops (PLL's) for clock generation in Systems on Chip (SoC's). Nowadays, tens of PLLs are integrated into a single large SoC. So, jitter, area/power utilization, and design effort of clock generators are key parameters. Though PLLs have been typically designed by analog designers, fully- or mostly-synthesized digital PLLs in scaled CMOS processes are taking over traditional designs. They consist of only logic gates taken from the digital standard-cell library, so that their netlist and layout can be automatically generated by commercial digital EDA tools. After reviewing the basic architectures of digital PLLs, the tutorial will discuss the design of the main building blocks such as digitally-controlled variable delay line, digitally-controlled oscillator, divider chain, frequency locked loop, and digital loop filter. The second part of the tutorial will deal with more advanced architectures of synthesizable clock generators, such as bang-bang digital PLLs, injection locking PLLs, and multiplying delay-locked loops (MDLLs). Finally, we will move to fractional-N clock generation reviewing the most advanced techniques such as those based on digital/time converters (DTCs). By the end of this tutorial, the attendee will be able to start the design of a synthesizable digital PLL.

**Tutorial-5** Monday, January 16, 12:45 - 14:45, 15:15 - 17:15@Room 104

#### **The Emergence of Hardware Oriented Security and Trust**

Organizer:

**Chip-Hong Chang** (Nanyang Technological Univ.)

Speakers:

**Chip-Hong Chang** (Nanyang Technological Univ.), **Yier Jin** (Univ. of Central Florida)

#### **Tutorial Outline:**

Hardware has long been touted as dependable and trustable entity than the software running on it. The illusion that attackers cannot easily access the isolated integrated circuit (IC) supply chain has once and again been invalidated by remotely activated hardware Trojan and untraceable break-ins of networking systems running on fake and subverted chips reported by businesses and military strategists, and confirmed by forensic security experts analysing recent incidents. The situation was aggravated by the geographical dispersion of chip design activities and the heavy reliance on third-party hardware intellectual properties (IPs). Counterfeit chips (such as unauthorized copies, remarked/recycled dice, overproduced and subverted chips or cloned designs) pose a major threat to all stakeholders in the IC supply chain, from designers, manufacturers, system integrators to end users, in view of the severe consequence of potentially degraded quality, reliability and performance that they caused to the electronic equipment and critical infrastructure. Unfortunately, tools that can analyse the circuit netlist for malicious logic detection and full functionality recovery are lacking to prevent such design backdoors, counterfeit and malicious chips from infiltrated into the integrated circuit (IC) design and fabrication flow. This tutorial addresses and reviews recent development in preventive countermeasures, post-manufacturing diagnosis techniques and emerging security-enhanced primitives to avert these hardware security threats. This tutorial will also cover the emerging topics where hardware platforms are playing an active role in system protection and intrusion detection. It aims to create an awareness of the ultimate challenges and solutions in addressing hardware security issues in the new age of Internet of Things (IoT), where the intense interactions between devices and devices, and devices and humans have introduced new vulnerabilities of embedded devices and integrated electronic systems.

**Tutorial-6** Monday, January 16, 12:45 - 14:45, 15:15 - 17:15@Room 105

## Cross-Layer Reliability Aware Design, Optimization and Dynamic Management

Organizer:

**Sheldon Tan** (UC Riverside)

Speakers:

**Sheldon Tan** (UC Riverside), **Mehdi Tahoori** (Karlsruhe Inst. Tech.), **Hai-Bao Chen** (Shanghai Jiao Tong Univ.)

### Tutorial Outline:

Reliability has become a significant challenge for design of current nanometer integrated circuits (ICs). It was expected that the future chips will show signs of reliability-induced age much faster than the previous generations. It is predicted that the mean time between failure (MTBF) for the future exascale computing will be around 30 minutes using today's devices and computing platforms. Furthermore, long-term reliability degradation caused by aging effects are becoming a limiting constraint in 3D ICs and emerging FinFET devices due to increased failure rates. Semiconductor industry faces new challenges to maintain the reliability in the reality of ever- continued increase in the die size and number of transistors accompanying by the performance driven down-scaling in transistor size. This has led the International Technology Roadmap For Semiconductor (ITRS) to predict the onset of significant reliability problems in the future, and at a pace that has not been seen in the past. Existing technologies for ensuring reliability will not be able to satisfy the competing requirements for future ICs as they typically operate in one layer under worst-case assumptions about other layers in the design stacks. This potentially leads to inefficiencies that will make these techniques impractical in future fabrication processes.

The first part of the tutorial will describe novel approach and techniques for recently proposed physics-based electromigration (EM) modeling and assessment methods. We will present a newly proposed a physics-based model for both void nucleation phase and void growth phase and show how this new model can be applied for full-chip power grid EM analysis to account the essential redundancy of on-chip power grid networks. We then present a novel method to calculate the hydrostatic stress evolution inside a multi-branch interconnect tree that allows to avoid over optimistic prediction of the time to failure (TTF) made with the Blech-Black analysis of individual branches of interconnect tree. We further show how to extend the new physics- based model to consider the time-varying current and temperature stressing conditions, which are common working chip conditions. We finally show a recently proposed novel voltage-based EM immortality check algorithm for general interconnect trees and a new EM-signoff flow, which consists of fast EM immortality check and detailed numerical FFT analysis and its potential engagement with EM-aware physical design.

The second part of this tutorial targets device aging and in particular bias temperature instability (BTI) and hot carrier injection (HCI) which affect transistor performance over time. These aging mechanisms degrade the threshold voltage of transistors and lead to timing failures in logic paths and reduced signal to noise margin (SNM) in memories. We will cover various static (design time) as well as dynamic (based on runtime monitoring) techniques to analyze, monitor and mitigate aging effects in both logic and memory components. The effective solutions are cross- layer, meaning that they cover a wide range of abstraction levels and design stacks to be able to tackle this problem with minimum costs. The design time solutions prolog the lifetime of the circuit by minimizing the amount of aging stress on timing critical components of the design and maximizing the duration of aging relaxation for better aging recovery. Moreover, we show how aging-awareness can be integrated during logic synthesis. The runtime solutions monitor the amount of critical stress on the circuit and try to use proactive fine-grain aging mitigation to balance performance, power and aging during system operation.

In the third part of this tutorial, we will focus on the dynamic reliability management (DRM) technique based on the newly proposed electromigration models. First we will present a resource based EM model, which model the reliability or FFT of a wire due to EM effects as resources at the system level. Then we present a novel task migration method to explicitly balance consumption of EM resources for all the cores. The new method aims at the equal chance of failure of these cores, which will maximize the lifetime of the whole multi/many core system. Second, we present new DRM techniques for emerging many-core dark silicon processors. We employ the dynamic voltage and frequency scaling (DVFS) and dark silicon core on/off status as the controlling knots. We show how the energy or lifetime of cores can be optimized subject to performance, temperature and lifetime constraints. On top of this, we show if soft errors and hard reliability like EM are considered at the same time, reliability constrained energy or performance optimization will become more challenging due to conflicting impacts of powers on those reliability effects. Finally, we show how the relativity modeling and management can be done at the datacenter level. We will present a new combined datacenter power and reliability compact model using a learning based approach in which a feed-forward neural network (FNN) is trained to predict energy and long term reliability for each processor under datacenter scheduling and workloads.

## At a glance

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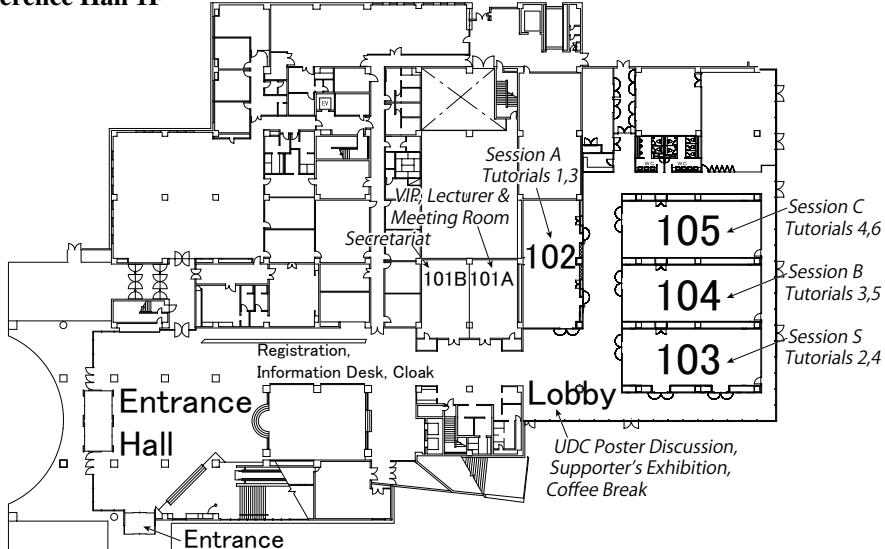
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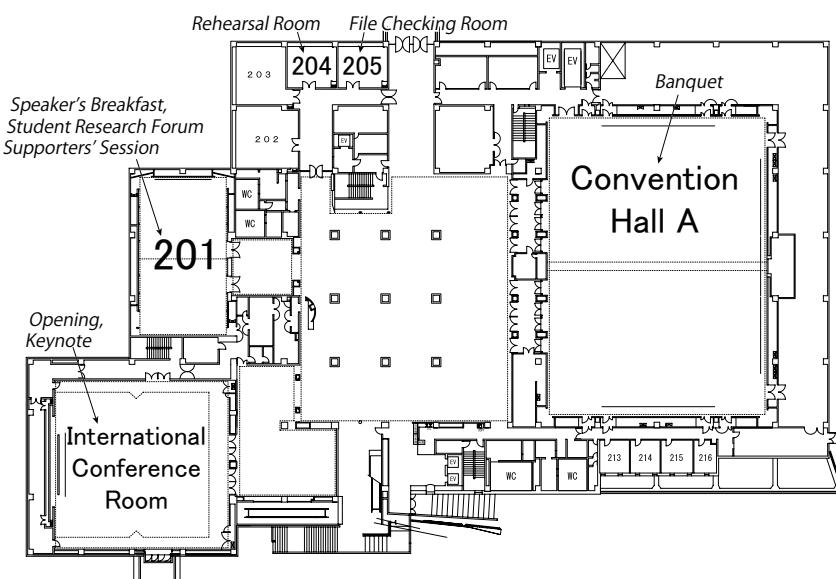
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### Keynote I

Tuesday, January 17, 9:00-10:35

#### “In Memory of Edward J. McCluskey: The Next Wave of Pioneering Innovations ”

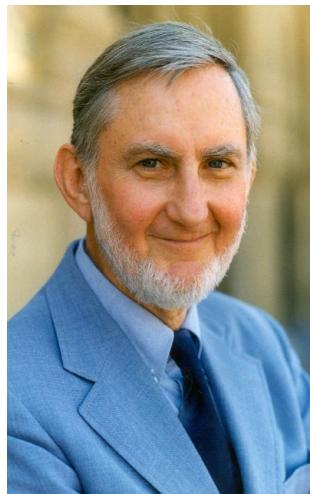
Organizers:

**Prof. Subhasish Mitra** (Stanford University)

**Prof. Deming Chen** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

This special plenary session will celebrate Prof. McCluskey (who passed away in 2016) through three keynote speeches by world-renowned scholars on the next wave of pioneering innovations, starting with a memorial speech by Prof. Jacob Abraham of University of Texas at Austin.

#### Memories of Professor Edward J. McCluskey



Prof. Edward J. McCluskey was a giant who shaped the design and testing of digital systems for over half a century. He sustained a relentless pace of fundamental contributions for efficient and robust design, high-quality testing, and reliable operation of digital systems. He was also a pioneer in establishing and fostering computer engineering as a profession.

Many consider him as the father of modern digital design. Many of his contributions to logic design, testing and fault-tolerant computing are classics: the Quine-McCluskey logic minimization procedure (which marked the beginning of Electronic Design Automation), hazards in logic circuits and fundamental-mode sequential circuits, algebraic fault properties, Murphy and ELF experiments establishing test metrics (rather than fault models) as key to high-quality testing, Very Low Voltage testing, and many key concepts in fault-tolerant computing that are even more essential for safety in future applications such as self-driving cars.

Prof. McCluskey was one of the world's leading educators. His textbooks on logic design defined the discipline. Computer Engineering and the IEEE Computer Society owe their current status to Ed in a major way. He was first president of the IEEE Computer Society. At Stanford, he founded the Digital Systems Lab (renamed Computer Systems Lab) that uniquely cultivated collaboration between EE and CS. In addition to shaping the development of digital systems, he was a great educator, producing an incredible group of 75 PhD graduates, many of whom have gone on to become industry leaders. He founded the Center for Reliable Computing (CRC) at Stanford. CRC played a major role in advancing the fields of computer reliability and testing from ad hoc pursuits to frontline academic and industrial research.

Ed received numerous awards and honors including the IEEE Emanuel R. Piore Award “for pioneering and fundamental contributions to design automation and fault tolerant computing,” the IEEE John von Neumann Medal for “fundamental contributions that shaped the design and testing of digital systems,” and the IEEE Computer Society’s Computer Pioneer Award “for seminal contributions to the design and synthesis of digital systems over five decades, including the first algorithm for logic synthesis (the Quine-McCluskey method).”



#### Memorial Speech: Tribute to Professor Edward J. McCluskey

**Prof. Jacob Abraham**  
University of Texas at Austin

### **Keynote I-1: Heterogeneous Integration of X-tronics: Design Automation and Education**

**Prof. K.-T. Tim Cheng**

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology



Advances in photonics, flexible electronics, emerging memories, etc. and Si electronics' integration with these devices have enabled new classes of integrated circuits and systems with enhanced functionality, higher performance, or lower power consumption. Driving greater integration of such heterogeneous X-tronics can facilitate the continued proliferation of low-cost micro-/nano-systems for a wide range of applications. However, achieving their large-scale integration will require design ecosystem and design automation tools/methodologies much like those that enabled electronic integration in previous decades. In this talk, I will briefly introduce two recent Manufacturing Innovation Institutes, on Integrated Photonics and on Flexible Hybrid Electronics respectively, and a research center on developing 3D Hybrid CMOS-memristor circuits, which bring together academia, industry, and federal partners to increase U.S. manufacturing competitiveness in these areas. I will then focus on their design automation efforts and highlight the needs, challenges and opportunities of developing a robust design ecosystem for X-tronics integration. I will also share the educational challenges of talent development for X-tronics design automation.

### **Keynote I-2: Electronics for the Human Body**

**Prof. John Rogers**

Northwestern University



Biology is soft, curvilinear and transient; modern semiconductor technologies are rigid, planar and everlasting. Electronic and optoelectronic systems that eliminate this profound mismatch in properties create opportunities for devices that can intimately integrate with the body, for diagnostic, therapeutic or surgical function with important, unique capabilities in biomedical research and clinical healthcare. Over the last decade, a convergence of new concepts in mechanical engineering, materials science, electrical engineering and advanced manufacturing has led to the emergence of diverse, novel classes of 'biocompatible' electronic platforms. This talk describes the key ideas, with examples ranging from wireless, skin-like electronic 'tattoos' for continuous monitoring of physiological health, to multiplexed, conformal sensor sheets for mapping cardiac electrophysiology, to bioresorbable intracranial sensors for treating traumatic brain injury.

### **Keynote I-3: Design of Society: Beyond Digital System Design**

**Prof. Hiroto Yasuura**

Kyushu University



The progress of digital system design and production technologies have produced social innovation by Information Communication Technology (ICT). Most social systems and our daily lives are fully supported by ICT. The progress has been accelerated exponentially and destructive innovations have occurred in various fields in industries and societies. Governments emphasize Industry 4.0 or Society 5.0 and people are looking for new businesses with IoT and AI with Big Data. In this talk, I will look back on the growth of ICT and look forward to future society which we will create using ICT. We can say that design technology of digital systems is now expanding to design of societies.

## **Keynote II**

Wednesday, January 18, 9:00-9:50

### **“Emerging Medical Technologies for Interfacing the Brain: From Deep Brain Stimulation to Brain Computer Interfaces”**

**Dr. Napoleon Torres-Martinez**

CEA LETI



Evolving medical technologies, including stimulators, infusion pumps, and neuroprostheses, are addressing progressively a wide range of neurological conditions, bringing fresh hope to patients where other solutions have proven to be ineffective. In this context, brain-computer interfaces (BCIs), that allow interaction between neural tissue and an external device, have been developed for many diverse conditions; in particular, they have allowed severely motor disabled patients to communicate and integrate better within their environment. Further, brain electrical stimulators or deep brain stimulators (DBS) have been in use for several decades for Parkinson disease and others diseases, giving patients new levels of quality of life not possible with more conventional pharmacological therapies. In addition, there are recent reports of various physical optical phenomena that produce a reduction in degeneration within targeted brain areas, opening new avenues for the treatment of neurological debilitating conditions. All these advances are however, limited by the mandatory long process of technological maturation and testing, for the benefit optimization and safety. Our institution has been developing new devices in these key areas, integrating medical teams and engineering expert from the device conception, addressing clear clinical problems from the early steps. New technologies are being made simpler and ever more close to reality and clinical trial than before; the design of innovative solutions to improve implantable devices opens a new era in clinical research.

## **Keynote III**

Thursday, January 19, 9:00-9:50

### **“All-Programmable FPGAs: More Powerful Devices Require More Powerful Tools”**

**Dr. Steve Trimberger**

Xilinx Research Labs



Since their inception, FPGAs have changed significantly in their capacity and architecture. The devices we use today are called upon to solve problems in mixed-signal, high-speed communications, signal processing and compute acceleration that early devices could not address. The devices continue to grow in capability and complexity. In order for designers to use them effectively, new tools are required. This talk describes the evolution of FPGA devices and tools from the earliest days to the present day, and outlines the devices and tools needed in the coming decade.

## **1K Opening & Keynote I**

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## **1A Design Assurance and Reliability**

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Chairs: Chih-Tsun Huang (National Tsing Hua Univ., Taiwan), Franco Fummi (Univ. of Verona, Italy)

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Organizers: Hiroe Iwasaki (NTT, Japan), Sunao Torii (ExaScaler, Japan), Akihiko Inoue (Panasonic, Japan), Chair: Satoshi Kurihara (Univ. of Electro-Communications, Japan)

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- (1) Designs implemented on chips in universities or other educational organizations during the last two years;
- (2) Designs that report measurement results from actual implementations;
- (3) Innovative design prototypes.

Excellent designs will be selected and honored by providing the opportunities for presentation in a special session at the conference. Award(s) will be given to a few outstanding designs, selected from those presented at the conference.

#### **Areas of Design:**

Application areas or types of the original LSI circuit designs include (but are not limited to):

- (1) Analog, RF and Mixed-Signal Circuits, (2) Digital Signal Processors, (3) Microprocessors, (4) Custom ASIC.

Methods or technologies used for implementation include:

- (a) Custom ASIC and Cell-Based LSIs, (b) Gate Arrays, (c) FPGA/PLDs.

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