



Some 50 attendees were attracted to the summer school in July.

A SUMMER School on Cellular Technologies and Solutions (www.athensch.gr) was held during 19–25 July 2010 at the Department of Telecommunication Systems and Networks (www.tesyd.teimes.gr/en), Technological Education Institute of Mesologgi, Nafpaktos, Greece.

Athens Summer School focuses on cellular technologies in Nafpaktos

The event was supported by the IEEE Joint VTS & AESS Greece Chapter and Greece GOLD Affinity Group, and it attracted 50 non-IEEE

members and 10 speakers.

The Chapter was represented by Dimitrios Efstathiou (vice-chair) and Athanasios Iossifides (IEEE liaison),

who spoke on the subjects: BTS-GPS Synchronization, WCDMA for UMTS and HSPA Evolution.

A talk on Chapter ac-

tivities and the IEEE organization was given by Dr Efstathiou, who received a lot of questions on the IEEE community. Pencils and notebooks with the Chapter logo were given to the attendees.

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Macedonia hosts power electronics conference attended by 400 engineers from 51 countries

THE 14TH International EPE-PEMC Conference was held in Ohrid, Republic of Macedonia, on 6–8 September 2010 (epe-pemc2010.com).

The event was organized by the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technologies (FEEIT) of Ss Cyril and Methodius University, under Auspices of Ministry of Education and Science, Republic of Macedonia, with cooperation of the EPE-PEMC Council in Budapest, Hungary, and EPE Association in Brussels, Belgium.

The general Chair was Slobodan Mircevski from FEEIT, and the general co-chair was Dushan Boroyevich, currently president-elect of the IEEE Power

Electronics Society. The Conference was opened by the President of the Republic of Macedonia, His Excellency Gjorge Ivanov.

Over 400 specialists, engineers and scientists from 51 countries all over the world participated in EPE-PEMC 2010. 154 papers were presented in 3 plenary, 17 lecture and 15 special sessions, and 195 in dialogue (poster) sessions.

The Conference was complemented by a technical exhibition featuring 20 industrial and academic stands.

During the gala dinner, EPE-PEMC Council Awards were given to Thomas A Lipo from the USA and Frede Blaabjerg from Denmark.

The next 15th International EPE-PEMC Conference will be held on 4–6 September 2012 in Novi Sad, Republic of Serbia (for more details, go online to: epe-pemc2012.com).

The Power Electronics and Motion Control (PEMC) conference series go back to 1970, held biannually since 1996. After joining the European Power Electronics and Drive (EPE) Association in 2000, it was renamed EPE-PEMC to stress the strength of mutual cooperation. For more about the history of EPE-PEMC, see our website at <http://epe-pemc.get.bme.hu>.

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Section Chair



Iran Section bids farewell to Caro Lucas

AFTER BATTLING with cancer for a year, Caro Lucas, a distinguished professor of the University of Tehran, passed away on 8 July 2010.

He made significant contributions to IEEE and received the IEEE Iran Section in 1990.

He was known as the father of computational intelligence in this country with contributions to biological computing and business intelligence, and was recognized by the Iranian Science and Culture Hall of Fame with their highest honour.



The President of the Republic of Macedonia, His Excellency Gjorge Ivanov, declares the Conference Open.



Istvan Nagy, chair of the EPE-PEMC Council, hands the EPE-PEMC Council Award to Tomas A Lipo.