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A. IEEE Ottawa Section News & Events

1. Canadian Tracking and Fusion Group, Second Workshop - Call for Paper

The IEEE Ottawa Section is now a co-supporter of the Canadian Tracking and Fusion Group (CTFG - ctfg.ca) which is holding its second workshop (<http://ctfg.ca/workshop2012/index.html>) on April 11-13, 2012 right here in Ottawa.

Important dates

February 3, 2012: Submission of proposals

February 13 , 2012: Notification of acceptance/rejection

March 30, 2012: Submission of final presentations and workshop registration

April 11-13, 2012: CTFG 2012 Workshop

Submissions

Please submit a 300 to 400 word abstract of your 20 minute presentation to Garfield Mellema at garfield.mellema@drdc-rddc.gc.ca. Proposals for

presentations on research, development, software demonstrations, experiments, benchmark problems, research collaborations and ideas on emerging problems are actively solicited. Proposals for extended panel discussions, tutorials, or software demonstrations are also encouraged. Participation without presentation is also strongly welcomed.

Location

DRDC Ottawa is at 3701 Carling Avenue in Ottawa . As this is a secure facility you will require a passport or equivalent ID when you arrive. If you are not a Canadian citizen, please let us know when you register.

Registration

There is no fee for this workshop, but the number of participants is limited. Register by sending your name, phone number, email and postal addresses to Garfield Mellema at garfield.mellema@drdc-rddc.gc.ca. Please include your government, corporate or university affiliation. For more information, contact any of the organizers.

2. Call for papers: Fifth IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence for Security and Defense Applications

We would like to invite you to submit Full Regular or Special Session papers to the Fifth IEEE Symposium on Computational

Intelligence for
Security and Defense Applications (IEEE CISDA 2012)
with the theme of
"Creating Intelligent Surveillance".

<http://ieee-cisda.org/>

Ottawa, Canada
11-13 July 2012

Sponsored by the IEEE Computational Intelligence Society (CIS)
Technically Co-Sponsored by the IEEE Ottawa Section,
the IEEE Computer Society Ottawa Chapter and the IEEE CIS Ottawa Chapter

Important Dates:

- Special Session/Tutorial Proposals Submission: February 20, 2012
- Full Regular or Special Session Paper Submission: March 19, 2012
- Notification of Acceptance/Rejection: April 16, 2012
- Submission of Camera-Ready Submission: May 14, 2011

3. IEEE SPAC (Student Professional Awareness Conference) 2012

Speaker(s):

Prof. Winnie Ye (Carleton University), Canada Research Chair in Nano-scale IC Design for Reliable Opto-Electronics and Sensors,

David Boertjes, Phd, Technical Advisor at Ciena,

Harley Finkelstein, CPO (Chief Platform Officer) of Shopify.

Date/Time: March 15th (Thursday)

Location: Westin Ottawa (Downtown, next to Rideau Mall)

Parking: \$5 from 6pm at Westin

Registration: Tickets are available online at www.ieeespac.ca OR can be purchased at IEEE office (Carleton University Mackenzie Building ME 4238 or University of Ottawa SITE 4026).

Organizer e-mail: organizers@ieeespac.ca

Organized by: IEEE Carleton University, IEEE University of Ottawa and
IEEE Algonquin College Student Branches

Url: <http://www.ieeespac.ca/>

Abstract: IEEE Student Professional Awareness Conference (SPAC) is a formal dinner event that aims to bridge the gap between students and their career goals. SPAC offers students and employers a unique opportunity to network with each other in a professional environment along with professionals and academics representing the field of Engineering.

Companies that have been sponsoring SPAC in previous years include Ross Video, RIM, Canadian Forces, Alcatel Lucent, Ericsson, Microsoft, Espial, IBM, Code factory, Neptec, Ciena, Agilent and Department of National Defense.

4. IEEE International Conference on Communications - 2012

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Date: June 10-15, 2012

Location: Ottawa, Canada

The registration is now open for the 2012 IEEE International Conference on Communications from 10-15 June 2012 at the new Ottawa Convention Center.

To register please follow

<http://ieee-icc.org/2012/registration.html>

The conference committee is very proud to announce that ICC2012 will be a Paperless conference, the first of its kind. All conference participants with full registration will receive a complimentary BlackBerry Playbook.

The conference program will feature the following keynote and plenary speakers:

Eros Spadotto (EVP, TELUS)

Matt Bross (CTO & Vice Chairman, Huawei)

Marcus Weldon (CTO, Alcatel-Lucent)

Lucy Hood (ED, CTM)

Lauren States (VP, IBM)

Ian Akyildiz (Georgia Tech)

Victor Bahl (Microsoft)

Vincent Poor (Princeton)

Raj Jain (Washington University)

P. R. Kumar (Texas A&M University)

The conference will offer 17 technical symposia, 16 industrial forums, keynote presentations, 27 workshops, and 12 tutorials.

For more information please visit:

Conference Website

<http://www.ieee-icc.org/>

For exhibition information please visit:

Exhibitor Information

<http://www.ieee-icc.org/cfe.html>

5. VIA Rail Concession to attend IEEE CCECE 2012 in Montreal

Valid: April 26 to May 3, 2012

Territory: From all stations throughout the

VIA system to Montreal, Quebec and return. RESTRICT

IONS: Fare applies to

a maximum of two passengers per booking. One complimentary stopover is

allowed at no additional charge. For travel on all

fare plans in Business

class, the first stopover is allowed at no additional charge, provided

that this stopover takes place in Toronto, Montréal or Ottawa only.

Discount: 10% off the best available fare in Economy, Business, Sleeper,

or Sleeper Touring class. "Subject to the conditions and restrictions of

the fare plan to which the additional discount is being applied."

Exception: Discount does not apply in Economy - special fare or Business

- supersaver fare.

Identification: Participants must reference the event's VIA confirmation

number: 12336.

Information to communicate to participants: Online booking tips >> You

have to log in to your profile, or create one prior to booking. On the

Passenger information screen, select "Convention fare" from the "Discount Type" drop-down menu, and enter the discount code for your convention or event in the "Discount code" field. This code has been given to you by the conference organizer. The conference fare will be shown on the next page.

6. Eastern Ontario Student Paper Competition - 2012

Participating students come from Algonquin College, Carleton University, University of Ottawa, Royal Military College (RMC), and Queens University. Competition to be held at Algonquin College, Ottawa.

For more information visit:
http://ewh.ieee.org/sb/ottawa/algonquin/paper_comp.htm

Rules for the Paper Competition 2012:
<http://ewh.ieee.org/sb/ottawa/algonquin/IEEE2012oralPaperCompetition-Information-AlgonquinCollege.pdf>

Date: March 30, 2012
Time: 5:00pm to 8:30pm,

Location:
Algonquin College
Faculty of Technology and Trades
School of Advanced Technology
T-Building, Room # T303
1385 Woodroffe Avenue,
Ottawa, Ontario K2G 1V8
Map: <http://www.algonquincollege.com/main/yourAlgonquinTab/directions/woodroffeMap.htm>

Contact: Cameron Hunt <hunt0275@algonquinlive.com>, Abdul Al-Azzawi <alazzaa@algonquincollege.com>, or Wahab Almuhtadi <almuhtw@algonquincollege.com>.

B. IEEE News

1. Senior Membership Elevations

The IEEE Admission and Advancement Committee met on 18 February 2012 at Phoenix, Arizona, USA. The following

Ottawa members were elevated to the Senior grade

Dr. Michael Bourassa

Dr. Ihsan Eldrin

Prof. Pavan Gunupudi

Dr. Kuang-Tsan Wu

Congratulations to all the four members.

Learn about the senior membership program by visiting

http://www.ieee.org/membership_services/membership/senior/index.html

2. Engineer Wellness GoodLife Fitness Corporate Program

Staying fit is the key to reducing stress, feeling healthy, increasing your energy and enjoying an excellent quality of life. Members of

Engineering Institute of Canada (EIC) Societies, which includes IEEE, students and family, can access the benefits of exercise and healthy

living at discount of more than 55% off regular prices to GoodLife Fitness (Energie Cardio in Quebec and Nubody).

Please visit www.engineergoodlife.ca (username = eic and password = goodlife) for details.

3. IEEE Member Group Insurance Program - Life, Professional Liability, Accident, Disability and Travel

IEEE Member Group Insurance Program - Life, Professional Liability, Accident, Disability and Travel (www.ieeeinsurance.com/canada):

Regardless of employment status, these plans stay with you—whether you are starting, switching or maturing in your career.

As an IEEE member, you benefit from the group buying power of the IEEE membership base. Take a few minutes today to learn how these affordable plans, available exclusively to IEEE members, can help make sure you have adequate financial resources as your life changes and responsibilities grow. I think you will agree, the time invested will be worthwhile.

4. New members orientation webinars

All new higher grade IEEE members are invited to participate in a New Member Orientation Webinar session designed to help

members get the most out of their membership. These live Webinars, which include a 30 minute formal presentation followed by Q&A, provide an overview of IEEE membership and access instructions for members-only benefits and services. Topics include establishing a Web account, setting up a profile on memberNet, logging into myIEEE, networking opportunities, and much more.

Visit the Welcome to IEEE Web page (http://www.ieee.org/membership_services/membership/welcome.html) to register for a New Member Orientation Webinar, typically held on the fourth Thursday of each month in 2011: 24 March, 28 April, 26 May, 23 June, 28 July, 25 August, 22 September, 27 October, 22 November, and 20 December.

Webinars are held at both 9:00 AM ET and 3:00 PM ET on each day. Please e-mail Adrienne Hahn (a.hahn@ieee.org) for more information.

5. Nominations and Awards

a) IEEE is accepting nominations for 2012 EAB awards. April 30, 2012 is the last date for nominating a person, an organization or an IEEE Section for this award. Please visit http://www.ieee.org/education_careers/education/awards/index.html for further details.

b) The IEEE Nominations and Appointments Committee is looking for people with the skill, passion, and perspective to serve in 2013 as IEEE corporate officers or on committees of the IEEE Board of Directors. Self nominations are accepted. March 1, 2012 is the deadline for the nominations. Please visit the following website for more information:
http://www.ieee.org/about/corporate/nominations/nominations_guidelines.html

c)
The IEEE Member and Geographic Activities (MGA) Nominations and Appointments (N&A) Committee is soliciting nominations for the following 2013 leadership positions: Vice President/Board Chair Treasurer Vice Chairs Committee Chairs Each IEEE Region is encouraged to submit nominations to help ensure that MGA is globally balanced. Self nominations are encouraged. The deadline to submit nominations is 1 April 2012. Visit http://www.ieee.org/societies_communities/geo_activities/mga_news.html for more details

d) Nominations are due 1 July 2012 for the 2013 IEEE Medals and Recognitions. IEEE Medals are the highest recognition within the IEEE awards hierarchy, with the prestigious IEEE Medal of Honor as the premier award. IEEE Medals embrace broad and significant contributions within the technical fields of interest of IEEE. IEEE Recognitions reward member's individual contributions to IEEE, published papers,

and corporate advancements within the IEEE fields of interest. Recipients are recognized at the formal IEEE Honors Ceremony. All IEEE members are encouraged to submit a nomination for a worthy candidate within their technical fields.

For more information, visit the IEEE Awards Web page or e-mail IEEE Awards staff.

e) Call for grant applications: IEEE Foundation/IEEE Life Members Fund

The IEEE Foundation cultivates relationships and resources to advance IEEE's core purpose to foster technological innovation and excellence for the benefit of humanity. To fulfill its role, the IEEE Foundation awards grants to new and innovative projects and administers more than 130 funds that support a variety of educational, humanitarian, historical preservation, and peer recognition programs of IEEE units. The IEEE Life Members Committee seeks to support programs that promote engineering to the pre-college community, the professional development of young electrical/computer engineers, the history of electrical/computer engineering, and the interest of Life members.

The next two deadlines for grant applications for new and innovative projects are 16 March and 24 July. Before submitting an application, please review the IEEE Foundation grant guidelines. Visit

http://www.ieee.org/societies_communities/geo_activities/mga_news.html
for more details

The IEEE Foundation / IEEE Life Members Committee consider projects that:

- benefit humanity through the use of technology - improve primary and secondary math and science learning - increase active interest in engineering and science - preserve the history of IEEE associated technologies - tap the technological expertise of IEEE members - demonstrate ability to be duplicated

C. Non-IEEE News and Events/Announcements

1. Carleton University Engineering Class of '73 40th Reunion

The class of '73 from Carleton is planning their 40th reunion in May 2013 . We are actively seeking to reconnect with our classmates. If you have not yet been contacted by the organizing committee please contact Ernie Bies at erniebies@rogers.com or Malcolm Vant at mrvant@rogers.com. Hope to see you in 2013!

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