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Lecture Hall of the Host of the 20th Anniversary Meeting of the SID-ME Chapter, University of Stuttgart, Professor Norbert Frühauf

Venue of the 20th Anniversary Meeting in Stuttgart

Dinner Event at the 169th Cannstatter Volksfest

SID-ME Chapter Fall Meeting 2014 20th Anniversary Meeting

The Fall Meeting of the SID-ME chapter was held on October 9th and 10th, 2014 in Stuttgart, Germany, the place where SID-MEC was founded 20 years ago.

Special topics of the meeting were OLED, Liquid Crystal Technology, Flexible and Oxide Electronics and Displays and Measurements.

On the 9th of October 2014 also a special SID-ME Chapter 20th Anniversary Ceremony took place, where Professor Norbert Frühauf, the host of the anniversary meet-

ing, gave an interesting summary of the last 20 years and how it all began.

On the evening was held a special Dinner Event at the 169th Cannstatter Volksfest (Traditional German Beer Festival). The Dinner took place in a beer hall with live music. For many participants the German "Gemütlichkeit" with a Maß (1 liter) of beer or alcohol free beverages was a whole new experience.

The Director of SID-ME Chapter Professor Herbert De Smet gave some greetings to the 20th Anniversary of the SID-ME Chapter.

SID-MEC Officer Meeting

Normally the SID-MEC officer election takes place during the General Meeting, held during the Spring Meeting. However, there is no venue for the spring meeting in 2015.

It was decided to postpone the General Meeting and the Election to the Eurodisplay 2015 conference (September, Ghent). A time slot will be provided during the conference to accommodate the Meeting.

The ME chapter presently has 380 members plus 32 members in the Ghent Lowlands student branch,

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For many participants the dinner event was a whole new experience.

making a total of 412. Noteworthy is the fact that the relative share of ME chapter in the total SID membership (4508) has gone up in 1 year from 8.6% to 8.8%, which means our chapter is doing relatively well compared to the other chapters. Our SID-ME chapter is actually the 4th largest chapter after Japan, Beijing, and the largest US chapter "Bay Area" and just before Korea.

The 2014 Fall meeting had about 65 attendees (with 31 Abstracts/Contributions), which is considerable in comparison with the total membership.

The student chapter is in good shape, counting 32 members. They organize several display related events during the academic year, some of which are in collaboration with other student chapters (e.g. IEEE-Photonics Benelux and SPIE-Ghent).

Other News

Jutta Rasp no longer works as the treasurer of our chapter

Chapter Student Award

In 2014 the award of 1500 € was granted to Ms. Selin Piravadili Mucur (Gebze Institute of Technology, Turkey). This award was handed over during the Spring 2014 meeting in Istanbul.

This year's Student Award will be granted during the Eurodisplay 2015 conference.

This year, the SID-ME chapter will use the same deadline as the

submissions for Eurodisplay (April 19th, 2015). The Award Committee will select the Best Student Award winner from the student submissions to Eurodisplay. The deadline for the decision is May 15th, the same date for the decision of abstract acceptance.

The SID-ME Chapter wants to continue promoting the Award by making publicity using dedicated mailings to student members and professors, and by mentioning the Award in our newsletters. The Award Committee is actually:

- Jens Osterodt
  (Merck KGaA)
- Herbert De Smet
  (Ghent University)
- Stefan Riehemann
  (Fraunhofer IOF)
- Norbert Fruehauf
  (University of Stuttgart)

A good balance between academia and industry is kept.

Student Branch

There is still an important growth potential in the number of student members. At http://www.sid.org you find information on SID student membership. Students pay only $5 membership fee and are entitled to most of the benefits, such as accessing the reference database and accessing the Journal of the Society for Information Display.

Coming Events

The Eurodisplay 2015 will be organized by the SID-MEC. It will be held in Ghent, Belgium, from 21-23 September 2015. The conference will be located in the conference center Het Pand. Please follow our website:

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http://www.sideurodisplay.org or
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We encourage our members to pay directly to SID-Headquarters in the USA via the online member-ship form..

The Newsletter

This newsletter as well as the older issues are also available online at:

http://www.sid.org/chapters/europe/mideurope.aspx

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