Upcoming Webinar

"High Performance MEMS Inertial Sensors," Presented by Derek K. Shaeffer

Tuesday, January 3 @ 12:00 PM EST.

*Professional Development Hours can be requested for this webinar. See news section for more details*

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Derek K. Shaeffer will be available during the webinar to answer any questions. Please follow the link to register for the webinar which is free and open to all SSCS members.

Abstract: Over the past few years, MEMS-based inertial sensors such as gyroscopes and accelerometers have proliferated into a wide variety of consumer products. Today, these sensors are found as standard components in smart phones, tablets, gaming systems, remote controls, toys and digital still cameras. Emerging applications include wearables, health and fitness monitoring and the 'Internet of Things'. This talk will provide a tutorial overview highlighting some of the important design challenges to be faced when realizing high performance MEMS sensors.

Bio: Derek K. Shaeffer received the BSEE degree from the University of Southern California in 1993, the MSEE degree from Stanford University in 1995 and the Ph.D. degree from Stanford University in 1999, for which he did early work in the field of RF CMOS, demonstrating the world's first CMOS GPS receiver. His 1997 paper on CMOS
low-noise amplifiers is one of the most frequently cited papers in the history of the IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits with over 1500 citations to-date. He is the author or co-author of twenty-two issued patents and several pending patents, twenty-two papers, multiple tutorials and a book on CMOS RF design. He has worked professionally in the fields of test instrumentation, semiconductor memory, optical communications, wireless communications and MEMS inertial sensors. Dr. Shaeffer has also served as Guest and Associate Editors of the IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits. For the past several years, he has been Sr. Director, IC Development with InvenSense, Inc.

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RFIC 2017 Call for Papers

The 2017 IEEE Radio Frequency Integrated Circuits Symposium (RFIC 2017) welcomes technical papers. The conference will solicit papers describing original work in RFIC circuits, system engineering, design methodology, RF modeling and CAD simulation, RFIC technologies, devices, fabrication, testing, reliability, packing and modules to support RF applications in areas such as, but not limited to:

- Wireless cellular & connectivity ICs
- Low Power transceivers
- RF front-end ICs
- Mixed-signal RF and analog baseband circuits
- Reconfigurable and tunable front-ends
- Large-signal circuits
- VCOs and frequency multipliers
- Frequency generation circuits
- Modeling, CAD and testing
- Process, Device and packing technologies
- mm-Wave circuits and systems
- High-Speed data transceivers

Submission Deadline - January 9, 2017

For further information, please click here.

2017 Symposium on VLSI Circuits - Call for Papers

The 2017 Symposium on VLSI Circuits welcomes the submission of original papers on all aspects of VLSI Circuits. The Symposium on VLSI Technology will overlap with the Symposium on VLSI Circuits and will be held at the same location. Papers are welcome in the following areas:

- Innovative system directions
- Digital circuits, processors and architectures, including circuits and techniques
- Memory circuits, architectures and interfaces
- Frequency generation and clock circuits
- Analog and mixed-signal circuits
- Wireline receivers and transmitters
- Wireless receivers and transmitters
- Power conversion circuits
- Imagers, displays, sensors, VLSI circuits and systems
- and other related topics

Submission deadline: January 23, 2017

Click here for more details and submission instructions.
2017 IEEE Wireless Power Transfer Conference - Call for Papers

The 2017 IEEE Wireless Power Transfer Conference (WPTC) is a conference on wireless powering. The meeting is intended to cover a broad range of areas related to devices, integrated circuits, systems and applications of WPT across the electromagnetic spectrum. WPTC welcomes submissions of original work on:

- Technologies for wireless power transfer and energy harvesting
- Power transmitters and receivers for wireless power transfer and energy harvesting
- Integrated circuits and systems for wireless power transfer and energy harvesting
- Applications of wireless power transfer and energy harvesting
- Other device, system or application topics related to wireless power
- and other topics

Submission deadline: February 6, 2017

Click here for more details

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2017 International Symposium on Low Power Electronics and Design - Call for Papers

The 2017 International Symposium on Low Power Electronics and Design (ISLPED) is the premier forum for the presentation of innovative research in all aspects of low power electronics and design, ranging from process technologies and analog/digital circuits, simulation and synthesis tools, system-level design and optimization, to system software and applications. ISLPED welcomes submissions of original work on the topics below and more. A full list of acceptable topics can be found here.

- Technologies: Low-power technologies for device, interconnect, logic, memory, 2.5/3D
- Circuits: Low-power digital circuits for logic, memory, reliability, clocking, power gating
- Logic and Architecture: Low-power logic and microarchitecture for SoC designs, processor cores, cache
- CAD Tools and Methodologies: CAD tools and methodologies for low-power and thermal-aware design addressing power estimation, optimization, reliability and variation impact on power
- Systems and Platforms: Low-power, power-aware, and thermal-aware system design including data-center power delivery and cooling
- Software and Applications: energy-efficient, energy-aware, and thermal-aware software and application design
- Industrial Design Track: These papers have the same submission deadline as regular papers and should focus on similar topics, but are expected to provide a complementary perspective to academic research by focusing on challenges, solutions, and lessons learnt while implementing industrial-scale designs. Industrial design papers that focus on any of the topics mentioned here are welcome.

Abstract Submission Deadline: February 27, 2017

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NEWS

JSSC 50th Anniversary

The IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits, the flagship journal of the solid-state circuits community, also known as the "red rag" to many, has reached half a century of age. The IEEE Institute has written about the milestone in special article. Click here to read.

Keep an eye out for the special 50th anniversary issue of
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