Message From General Chair

On behalf of the organizing committee, I sincerely welcome all of you to the 23rd International Technical Conference on Circuits/Systems, Computers and Communications (ITC-CSCC 2008) to be held in Shimonoseki City, Yamaguchi Pref., Japan, July 6-9, 2008. This is the 23th conference since 1986. This year’s conference is sponsored by IEICE Engineering Sciences Society, IEEK, and ECTI Association, and cosponsored by Yamaguchi University.

There are three special sessions. Session "Elevator Control Systems" is organized by Dr. Shingo Yamaguchi (Yamaguchi Univ.) and Dr. Sandor Markon (Fujitec Co., Ltd.), session "Hard-Disk Drive Technology" is organized by Dr. Apirat Siritaratiwat (Khon Kaen Univ.), and session "e-Learning Utilization in Education" is organized by Prof. Tokuji Hayashi (Yamaguchi Univ.). And there is a tutorial "3D Video Coding for Realistic Multimedia Services" to be presented by Prof. Yo-Sung Ho (Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology).

We are also honored to have four keynote speakers. The first one is Prof. Hideyuki Kobayashi, who is from Mizusawa VERA Observatory, National Astronomical Observatory of Japan. His topic title is "VLBI activities in Japan and East Asia" and will be addressed on July 7. The second one is Dr. Soo-Young Oh, who is from Convergence Components & Materials Research Laboratory, ETRI, Korea. His topic title is "A National Project to Move on to Ubiquitous Society: IT839" and will be addressed on July 8. The third one is Prof. Ayaho Miyamoto, who is from Yamaguchi University, Japan. His topic title is "IT-based Bridge Health Monitoring" and will be addressed also on July 8. The fourth one is Prof. Prabhas Chongsatitwattana, who is from Chulalongkorn University, Thailand. His topic title is "Evolutionary Electronics" and will be addressed on July 9.

We have organized some exciting social events including a welcome reception on July 6 and opening ceremony on July 7. The banquet will be held at Event Hall of Kaikyo Messe Shimonoseki on July 8. Particularly, we will have two entertainments: (1) Jyourou Parade and (2) Evening Concert (Italian, Japanese songs) in the banquet.

Finally, I would like to take this chance to thank all members of the organizing committees, all authors, and volunteers for contributing in making this conference a success. I hope that your participation in this conference will become an informative and rewarding experience.

Please enjoy your staying.

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