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To: Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems Steering Committee

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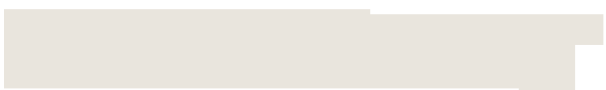
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Report to Steering Committee on MWSCAS 2004

The following attached documents are related to the 47th IEEE International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems to be held at the Hiroshima International Conference Center in collaboration with the Department of Electrical Engineering of Hiroshima University July 25-28, 2004.

1. MWSCAS 2004 report to the steering committee
2. MWSCAS 2004 request for support for student paper contest
3. Preliminary Call for Papers for the 47th MWSCAS

Hiroshima University cordially invites you all to Hiroshima for the MWSCAS 2004.



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47th IEEE International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems
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Introduction

The 47th IEEE International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems (MWSCAS) in 2004 will be hosted by Hiroshima University. So far most of the conference committee and technical committee have been chosen as part of the planning for the conference. In this brief progress report I would like to update the MWSCAS Steering Committee on the current status of the symposium organization.

Summary of Key Decisions

Several important decisions have been made regarding the conference. These decisions are summarized here and expanded upon in later paragraphs of this report.

The conference dates will be Sunday July 25 through Wednesday July 28, 2004

- a. Tutorials will be on Sunday afternoon and technical sessions will be full day Monday and Tuesday, and half a day on Wednesday.
 - b. Conference registration will include a welcome reception on Sunday and the Banquet on Tuesday.
 - c. The MWSCAS Steering Committee will have a dinner meeting on Monday.
2. The conference will be held at the **International Conference Center Hiroshima** in the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park located in the downtown of Hiroshima City (Hiroshima Convention Bureau <http://www.hiroshima-cdas.or.jp/hcb/>).
- a. The opening session and the student paper contest will be held in the Sunflower (Himawari) main theater of the Conference Center, which holds 798 people.
 - b. Breakout sessions, including poster sessions, will be held in a large conference room (Dahlia) at the conference center.

- c. The dinner banquet on Tuesday will be held at some location off International Conference Center Hiroshima yet to be determined.
- d. Basic registration fees will be as follows: (Temporary Exchange rate: ¥130 / \$1 USD)
- IEEE Members (in advance) ¥40,000 (\$308 USD)
 - IEEE Members (at symposium) ¥46,000 (\$354 USD)
 - Regular (Non-IEEE Members advance) ¥46,000 (\$354 USD)
 - Regular (Non-IEEE at symposium) ¥50,000 (\$385 USD)
 - Student and Life Members (in advance) ¥15,000 (\$115 USD)
 - Student and Life Members (at symposium) ¥20,000 (\$154 USD)
 - One-day registration fees will be offered to attract people from local industries
- e. Negotiations have been made with several hotels in the downtown of Hiroshima city near the International Conference Center Hiroshima. These hotels have provided specially discounted rates for this historical event as shown below.

HOTEL	ROOM TYPE	RATE(R/C)
RIGA Royal Hotel Hiroshima	SGL	¥11,000 (\$85 USD)
	TWN	¥20,000 (\$154 USD)
	DBL	¥15,000 (\$116 USD)
ANA Hotel Hiroshima	SGL	¥10,000 (\$77 USD)
	TWN	¥18,500 (\$143 USD)
	TRI	¥22,500 (\$173 USD)
	DBL	¥15,000 (\$116 USD)
Hiroshima Tokyu Inn	SGL	¥7,400 (\$57 USD)
	TWN	¥13,400 (\$103 USD)
Hotel Sunroute Hiroshima	SGL	¥7,000 (\$54 USD)
	TWN	¥12,000 (\$93 USD)
	DBL	¥10,000 (\$77 USD)
Hotel Park Side	SGL	¥6,000 (\$47 USD)
	TWN	¥10,000 (\$77 USD)

SGL: single, TWN: twin, DBL: double, TRI: triple

3 The Program Committee

- a. **General Chair:** I will be the General Chair of the 47th International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems (MWSCAS 2004).
- b. **General Co-Chair:** Dr. Belle A. Shenoi, Wright State University, will co-chair the conference with me. Belle is fellow of the IEEE and well known for his excellence and contribution in the Circuits and Systems Society. He was Technical Chair for the International Conference on Systems Engineering (ICSE) in 1990 and 1992 held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania USA, and Kobe, Japan, respectively.

Technical Chair for the conference will be Dr. Toshimasa Watanabe of the Graduate School of Engineering, Hiroshima University, Japan.

- d. **Technical Program Co-Chairs,** Dr. Hideaki Sakai of Kyoto University, Japan and Dr. M. Omair Ahmad of Concordia University, Canada.
- e. **Special Session Co-Chairs,** Dr. Hitoshi Kiya of Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan and Dr. Wu-Sheng Lu of University of Victoria, Canada.

Tutorial Co-Chairs, Dr. Kotaro Hirano of Kobe Design University, Japan and Dr. Sanjit K. Mitra of the University of California, Santa Barbara , USA.

- g. **Student Contest Co-Chairs,** Dr. Hiroshi Ochi of Kyushu Institute of Technology Japan and Dr. Mohamad F. Farooq of Royal Military College, Canada.
- h. **Publication Co-Chairs,** Dr. Yutaka Fukui and Dr. Yoshio Itoh of Tottori University, Japan.

Finance Chair, Dr. Shotaro Nishimura of Shimane University, Japan

- j. **Publicity Committee Chair,** Dr. Yoshikazu Miyanaga, Japan.
- k. **Registration Co-Chairs,** Dr. Mtsuji Muneyasu of Kansai University, Japan and Dr. Akira Taguchi of Musashi Institute of Technology, Japan.

Local Arrangements Committee Chair, Dr. Hideo Yamashita of Hiroshima University, Japan.

- m. **Secretariat,** Dr. Syuichi Ohno of Hiroshima University, Japan

n. Advisory Committee Chair, Dr. Rokuya Ishii, Japan.

4. Climate of Hiroshima City During the Event Period

	Average temperature	Highest temperature	Lowest Temperature	Relative Humidity	Total precipitation
July	26.9°C	30.8°C	23.7°C	75%	236.3 mm
	80.4°F	87.4°F	74.7°F		
August	27.9°C	32.1°C	24.3°C	71%	126.0 mm
	82.2°F	89.8°F	75.7°F		

5. Please see the following attached to this report:

- a. Request for monetary support from the MWSCAS Steering Committee for the student paper contest.
- b. Preliminary call for papers for the 47th MWSCAS in Hiroshima, Japan.

I would like to cordially invite all of you to the 47th IEEE Midwest Symposium to be held at Hiroshima International Conference Center. Hiroshima is well known for the two World Heritages, old and new historically. Itsukushima Shinto Shrine was built in the 12th century in Miyajima Island and still keeps its beautiful buildings and the unique red gate standing in the waters of Seto Inner Sea. Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, historically a new Heritage, reminds us and gives the opportunity to appreciate the importance of peace the world is longing for. The visits to these heritages will inspire your cultural interests that will become valuable additions to the academic and technological gains from presentations at the symposium.

Request for Monetary Support for Student Paper Contest at

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1. Introduction

Since its establishment in 1997, Student Paper Contest has become one of the most exciting events at each MWSCAS conference. Besides, this event was designed to motivate young engineers to come up with excellent papers supported with best research results. At the time of its establishment, the fund previously introduced by the MWSCAS Steering Committee for the purpose of supporting student activities was used to fund the registrations fees of the students selected for the contest and prizes to the winners. It is the intension of the 47th MWSCAS to hold an equally exciting Student Paper Contest to maintain the tradition adopted by the MWSCAS but most especially to challenge and motivate students for their excellence in their research. As part of making this intention effective, the 47th MWSCAS would like to request the Steering Committee to allocate ¥3000,000 (~~\$2909~~ USD) which will be used as follows

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| 1. Prize money for winners | ¥100,000 | (\$770) USD | 1400 |
| a. First Winner | ¥50,000 | (\$385) USD | 775 |
| b. Second Winner | ¥30,000 | (\$231) USD | 400 |
| c. Third Winner | ¥20,000 | (\$154) USD | 250 |
| 2. Registration fees for ten students selected for the contest | ¥150,000 | (\$1154) USD | |
| 3. Other expenses (Certificate Printing etc.) | ¥50,000 | (\$385) USD | 550 |

As a gesture of gratitude, the MWSCAS Steering Committee will be named the official sponsor of the Student Paper Contest.

* Temporary Exchange Rate ¥130 / \$1 USD

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International Conference Center Hiroshima is located in the Hiroshima Memorial Park at the heart of the City. Its location will provide you with a peaceful atmosphere.



Riga Hotel located some few blocks from the International Conference Center is among the hotels that have offered special rates for the conference.



This is one of the conference halls with a full range of state-of-the-art sound, lighting and video projection systems.



Faculty of Engineering of Hiroshima University