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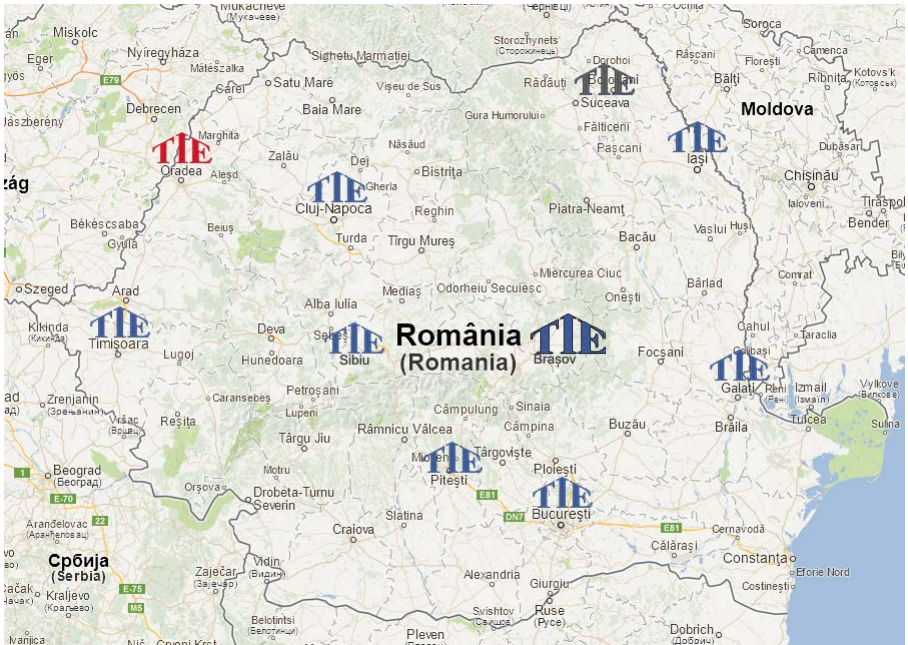


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TIE Past, Present and Future Editions



1992-2002	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2003	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2004	Technical University of Cluj-Napoca
2005	“Gh. Asachi” Technical University, Iași
2006	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2007	“Ștefan cel Mare” University of Suceava
2008	University of Pitești
2009	“Dunărea de Jos” University of Galați
2010	Technical University of Cluj-Napoca
2011	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2012	“Lucian Blaga” University of Sibiu
2013	“Transilvania” University of Braşov
2014	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2015	University of Oradea
2016	“Ștefan cel Mare” University of Suceava



Dear participants and guests,

I'm pleased and honored, on behalf of the local organizing committee, to welcome you all to University of Oradea, for the 24th Edition of TIE contest.

Oradea is a north-west border Romanian city, a multicultural town which is highly appreciated by the different ethnic groups living on the banks of the Crișul Repede River. Because the Romanian industry must cope with a fierce global competition, Oradea City Hall developed the Euro Business Industrial Park containing some important companies involved in electronic industry and manufacturing.

University of Oradea is aware that a very important target in near future is to develop a network that promotes the development of human resources for innovation. So, the Electronics and Telecommunication Department is deeply involved in developing a strong connection between industry and technical academic courses and has a growing interest for electronic packaging.

Our local organizing committee is confident that TIE 2015 will be a chance for companies involved in electronics industry and Romanian technical academic schools to unite their interests and activities.

We wish all TIE 2015 participants a very pleasant and successful attendance!

Welcome to Oradea!

Prof. Cornelia GORDAN, Ph.D.

TIE 2015 Event Director

University of Oradea, Romania



Previous TIE Winners

Year	Name	University
2014	Grigoraş Eduard	“Ştefan cel Mare” University of Suceava
2013	Bostan Adrian	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2012	Aldea Alin	University of Piteşti
2011	Precup Călin	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2010	Dungă Tudor Dan	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2009	Răducanu Bogdan	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2008	Oșan Adrian	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2007	Tamaș Cosmin Andrei	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2006	Moscalu Dragoș	“Gh.Asachi” Technical University Iași
2005	Andreiciuc Adrian	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2004	Berceanu Cristian	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2003	Munteanu George	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2002	Rangu Marius	“Politehnica” University of Timișoara
2001	Toma Corneliu	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
2000	Vlad Andrei	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1999	Savu Mihai	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1998	Alexandrescu Dan	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1997	Gavrilaș Cristian	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1996	Vintilă Mihai	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1995	Ștefan Marius Sorin	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1994	Bucioc Mihai	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
1993	Teodorescu Tudor	“Politehnica” University of Bucharest
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TIE 2015

The 24th edition of TIE takes place under a strong industrial “umbrella”. More and more electronics industry companies, which are present in this part of Europe, are interested to support, technically and financially, this event. After more than two decades of continuous, yearly, presence of TIE, the event has become a well known brand for quality of education and training at academia level for students interested in CAD of Printed Circuit Boards (PCB). Thanks to the gained knowledge, the young engineers, after graduation, are perfectly suitable to be employed by companies and involved in the development of innovative electronic products.

Looking to the industrial landscape of our country, it is obvious by that the interest of the investors to invest in electronics companies has increased. Not only companies interested in development of integrated circuits are present - Freescale, Infineon, Microchip or ON-Semiconductor have already a long experience in this region - but also more and more companies developing electronic modules are present. Today there are active, in the electronics industry, well-known companies as Continental Automotive, Celestica, Siemens, Plexus, Hella, Yazaki, Connectronics, Flextronics and many others. It is necessary to mention that, not a long time ago, the Bosch Company has started an important investment in the same field of automotive electronics, and the examples can to continue. Probably, thanks to TIE, the mentioned companies have access to a well-trained pool of electronics engineers with very good theoretical background, including PCB design knowledge.

In the last period, electronics has become a huge field for innovation. Microelectronics and nanoelectronics are today’s runners for plenty of products characterized by: “smart”, small, and more and more complex. For all these products, the interconnection structure of the electronic components plays an important role. Contrary to all the other electronic components developed and manufactured by well established companies, the PCB is a dedicated electronic component developed and manufactured only for a certain application. In fact, the

PCB is an application “tailor”-made electronic component. Under such circumstances, every company, large or SME, involved in development of innovative electronic products, mandatory needs to have proper human resources with high level of PCB design knowledge.

TIE event has succeeded to build up, during its long existence, around Romania, an academic environment strongly interested in education and training of the future engineers. In fact, it is possible to consider this geographical environment to be a real smart specialization one.

To achieve such a level of competence, it was, it is, and it will be necessary to have the electronics industry as an important actor and together with the academia to be involved in education and training of the future PCB design engineers. It is possible today to underline that TIE, supported by academia, has become also an industry-driven activity. The synergy between the electronics industry focused on development of electronic products and academia involved in education and training of the future electronic engineers has led to the continuous improvement of the quality of the graduate electronics engineers in our country.

The TIE 2015 final stage takes place in Oradea and is organized by the University of Oradea. I would like to thank to the Local Organizing Committee of TIE for the excellent support in organising TIE and for their outstanding commitment and effort in promoting high class conditions for this event.

I have also to thank to all TIE Committees for their total engagement to ensure a successful event.

Bucharest April 6, 2015

Prof. mult.D.h.c. Paul SVASTA, Ph.D.

TIE Initiator

Head of Center for Technological Electronics
and Interconnection Techniques

“Politehnica” University of Bucharest, Romania



Dear participants and guests,

With the occasion of the 24th edition of the TIE contest, on behalf of the University Senate, let me wish all the guests a warm welcome in our University and also in Oradea.

Teaching activities in our university today is a means by which we build a certain type of society, a society of knowledge, which should bring a sustainable development and prosperity. One of the key factors for economic and social development is the quality of the workforce, which depends on the theoretical and practical readiness of our graduates.

Unfortunately, the rate of practical training of the students in universities in Romania is unsatisfactory. This is a resource which academics and industry employers must capitalize more intensely by developing attractive programs aimed at practical applications. For the Department of Electronics and Telecommunications from the University of Oradea, the chance to organize this year the 24th edition of TIE, is primarily an honor and a duty to contribute to the efforts needed to increase competitiveness, regional economic and social development and beyond.

The main beneficiaries of this competition will be the competitors, which, based on experiences from previous editions, we can ensure that will be monitored by major companies to carry out fixed-term internships and also for employment after graduation. Also, the companies from the socio-economic environment who will have the opportunity to know the most competent and serious students, and the sponsors the competition, whom we want to express our gratitude and give them the opportunity to present their offers and products, exposing rollups, banners or presentation stands.

Congratulations to the contest participants and I wish full success to all the activities listed in the event's program.

Let me conclude with the motto of the University Senate **CONCORDIA RES CRESCUNT!**

Prof. Sorin CURILĂ, Ph. D.
President of the Senate
University of Oradea, Romania



The TIE 2015 Workshop and Contest

It is again an honor and a great pleasure for me to express some of my thoughts about this TIE event, which takes place under the umbrella of the IEEE CPMT Society and is mainly sustained by the IEEE CPMT, Hu & Ro Joint Chapter.

Worldwide there are many contests regarding PCB-Design. But normally they are related to an EDA-Tool and the participants have plenty of time, normally month, to present their own ideas implemented with that tool. For instance, Mentor Graphics Corp. has his “Annual Technology Leadership Award” for many years, recognizing excellence in printed circuit board design. Competitors are free to choose from six categories their design topic, but need to use Mentor Graphics EDA-Tool. More than a month they have time to send their contributions. Another example is the contest “Your IoT Connected World”, recently launched by Silicon Labs & Digi-Key. Here the designs must contain Silicon Labs MCU products. Contestants have also to be in selected countries in the Americas and Europe (Unfortunately, Romania is not mentioned!). NXP and Mouser Electronics launched their contest “2015 Big I.D.E.A.”, the design contest featuring NXP’s Dual Configurable Logic and Mouser’s schematic tool software. The contest is open until June 2015.

But in my research I have nothing found similar to TIE! And this makes TIE so different and unique.

Here, the testers are free to use the software tool of their choice to find the optimum and quickest solution in a fixed amount of time. The participant students at the TIE contest have only to show their high knowledge level regarding CAD- assisted design of interconnection structures of electronic modules.

TIE is an important pillar for innovation as it is industry- driven. This is supported by the Industrial Advisor Committee which gives the feed- back of the industrial needs. In this way the industry needs of the moment are directly implemented into the TIE contest.

The participants, coming from all University Centers of the country, show that TIE is a pool of competences formed by a high education level.

TIE paves the “way to turn the hobby into profession” for the young academia- formed and industry supported students. The fresh engineers can then be easily adapted to the specific needs of the companies involved in the development of electronic products.

TIE is a good example for how academia from this part of the European Union responds to the industry demands for educating human resources according to company needs. And this becomes even more important as many companies across the EU are now forced by strong competition to shift their production and even R. & D. activities towards this region of the EU.

The workshop organized at the final stage of TIE is a good opportunity for the participants to be informed by specialists of industry or research about the newest trends in electronic packaging.

TIE is prepared to answer to the challenges of the future, like Internet of Things (IoT), Industrie 4.0, Digital Factory, Big-Data, Wearable Electronics, 3D Printing, just to mention a few of them.

I wish good luck to all participants of this year final TIE event!

Oradea, April, 22nd, 2015

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WELCOME TO ORADEA

Romania has been known for several decades for its cost effective labor force. Hence competitive labor cost was the main driver for foreign companies to relocate or expand their manufacturing activities in our country. Most notably the textile industry and later the manufacturing of automotive components with low value added have been the staple of foreign direct investment in Romania in the first 2 decades after 1990.

We are nevertheless aware that our competitive strengths lie not in assembling components but in engineering and innovation.

Successful investors are nowadays coming to Romania for the educated and talented human resources. It is innovation that is the key factor for their long-term success and innovation needs well-trained engineers, which universities have to provide to the industry.

TIE is a prime example of a successful partnership between industry and universities. It brings together the best students and universities and the most innovative companies in the electronic industry.

In the last few years we have been successful in attracting significant foreign direct investments in Oradea, mainly through a mix of pro-business public policies and the dedicated effort of a handful of specialists working for the Oradea Industrial Park.

All along this development we have become increasingly aware of how a healthy and transparent partnership between local government, the universities and companies can help economic growth and improve the quality of life in our community.

We are proud that Oradea is hosting this year's edition of TIE and with the support of Oradea University - Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, Department of Electronics and Telecommunications, we aim to make Oradea a city where talented people want to study, work and live and where companies can develop successful and sustainable businesses.

Delia UNGUR
General Manager
Oradea Industrial park



TIE – An Opportunity for a Successfully Career

Since the first edition until now, TIE contest proved that the initial purpose was accomplished. Students that participate on this competition are assuring a start career in the field of PCB layout design, being also a reliable base for the development of a successful professional career. This contest, which from 2009 is international, bring together every year more and more participants from Romania and abroad.

The recent subjects presented at this competition have a complex and complete aspect. These are a true test for students, bringing high skill knowledge in the field of PCB layout design. With the presence of industrial members, the subjects become real and can be presented as a part from a real electronic device that is used in a real world. This aspect offer for all students' new ways of see the PCB layout design aspects, not only using the CAD software for creating the PCB, but to see the real and final product that was obtained from the competition subject. The participation for this competition can be an experience that is essential for an open minded student, who wants to expand his point of view, before going to work in the industry.

To conclude, as coach in the present and as contestant in the past, I can say that TIE is a true way of life, which unites students, teaching staffs and specialists in the PCB designing field connected to the electronic industry.

I wish to participants all the best at TIE 2015!

April 06th, 2015

Assist. Prof. Adrian-Ioan PETRARIU, Ph. D.
“Ștefan cel Mare” University of Suceava



Steps to be a TIE Winner

TIE event is a real contest for electronic enthusiastic students offering the chance to show the capabilities of a future engineer and having the opportunity to be examined by specialists in the PCB layout domain. In my point of view, the participants for TIE should be with a really passion for the electronics field. I believe that this aspect is useful to have the necessary knowledge in accomplish the subject tasks.

To succeed in preparing this competition every participant need to be very dedicated in what he does. To become a winner of this competition is needed intense training on various projects with complex requirements and working hard in optimizing the time needed for finishing them.

I heard about this competition for the first time in the 2nd year of faculty from a professor that teaches at the University where I attended. Also the results obtained by other students at the local stages that were published on the faculty website and viewing other students working in PCB layout designing have cause a strong wish for trying this new side of electronics design.

The key to success for the 2014 edition was an intense training on different kind of projects and a good organization during the competition such as: careful reading of the subject, focus on the important points and especially keeping calm during the contest.

This competition is a way of interacting future graduates with industry specialists in the PCB design field. From them you can find out what they need from a future employee in a success career.

Suceava, April 6th, 2015

Dipl. Eng. Eduard GRIGORAȘ
TIE 2014 Winner
Continental Automotive Iași



Little Things Make a Big Difference

One of our most important focus areas during the past decade has been the development of future engineers to prepare them to face the high competitive and dynamic market of the electronics industry.

Today, medical equipment, semiconductors, software and electronic devices have developed across the globe, serving many needs in diverse business and consumer markets.

Consistently delivering new products that customers like and want, increasing revenue growth and profitability, and efficiently managing a global operation are just a few of today's top-of-mind issues for high-tech in electronics industry.

Collaboration with academic environment is our priority in reaching the level of knowledge, understanding and proactivity that today's economic market is requiring from current students, the future engineers. TIE contest is the tipping point, the "must have" competition for any student that aims high for his future career in electronics industry. TIE is one of the little things in the big world of electronics that makes a big difference for Romanian students that are willing to change today for a better tomorrow.

Celestica Romania supports the very well organized TIE contest and we are more than glad that this 24th edition will be in Oradea where in the past 10 years the electronics industry has developed and where passionate individuals can find their place in key engineering roles.

Dipl. Eng. Florin MUREȘAN
Site Engineering Manager
Celestica Oradea



Welcome TIE in Oradea

With over 20 years of experience, Connect Group is one of Europe's leading service providers of cable, PCB, and module assembly (Electronic Manufacturing Services). Founded in 1987, we have grown to a European network of production & design facilities, with around 1600 employees. The factory near Oradea is the largest one in the Connect Group. Connectronics Romania employs about 0.5% of city's total population. Part of this team, more than 80 technical engineers graduated at University of Oradea. With the extensive expertise our engineers have developed over the past twenty years, our company is fully qualified to offer you the specific technical support you are looking for. The sooner we are involved in the development of your project, the higher the added value of our engineering team will be. With our broad knowledge of technical and manufacturing possibilities, we can accompany the product development process from the concept stage onwards, to give optimal production, price and quality. Engineering activities function here as an extension of customers own design teams, with open communication, sharing of knowledge and pro-active search for solutions to support customers success. In whatever product group or market your company operates, engineers can provide development, industrialization and production support. Very fast prototyping, drawing and specifications writing allows us to move quickly into (volume) production and considerably narrow lead times from drawing board to market. Today, regulations, innovations and supply chain may influence the life cycle of your product. This may impact your operations. Our company supports you in designing easy-to-produce devices and ensures that they remain easy to produce.

This influences the relation between EMS and vendor and asks for increasingly integrated systems. Including added value considerations in product life cycle management requires specialized knowledge and skills. However, to be able to grow and continuously improve our service, we need also qualified people especially engineers that are able to design, create new concepts. In this respect for industry, TIE is

excellent opportunity to meet skilled future engineers who will be able to develop in the future new products that can bring added value to a company like Connect Group.

We would like to express our gratitude to Prof. mult.Dr. h.c. Svasta who placed Oradea on the map of TIE contest, thanks to this original idea of TIE, the companies have more opportunities to interfere with academically environment.

Special thanks to Prof. Cornelia Gordan, Ph.D. and Prof. Daniel Trip, Ph.D. from Electronics and Telecommunications Department from University of Oradea for close collaboration with Connect Group, for dedication showed in good communication with all industry representatives from Oradea. One the proof of this dedication is that the 24th edition of TIE is organized here, at Department of Electronics and Telecommunication from Oradea University.

We are proud that Connect Group is taking part in this event. Hopefully we can keep this collaboration during the coming years and both parties can have benefits and offer to students and future engineers' opportunities to develop their skills and carriers.

Dipl. Eng. Octavian MALAN
Operations manager
Connect Group Romania



Plexus supports TIE

Building relationships between companies and the next generation of engineers is an important step in the continuous advances in PCB design and technology.

Bridging the gap between study and the workplace is a lot easier if there is an insight into the expectations of companies. TIE opens new communication channels between Universities and the workplace and prepares students for the realities of working in a high paced technical environment.

We are happy to partner with the Department of Electronics and Telecommunications from University of Oradea at this event, especially as it is in Oradea for the first time, being an opportunity for Plexus to strengthen relationship with TIE, Students and the University. We as a company are very interested in offering students the frames to gain “real world” experience before graduation, offering continuously various student programs, including customized laboratory experiences. In the past years, several programs have been launched with the University, driving towards the employability of the students and a skilled workforce in an increasingly competitive European labor market.

Combining this excellent contest, now in Oradea, and the reputation of TIE, definitely supports the development of better human resources for the labor market and the access to a great source of expertise for the business.

We wish all TIE 2015 participants success and a fruitful experience!

Diana NĂSTASE
H.R. Manager, Plexus



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TIE 2015 Program

Thursday, April 23, 2015

	<i>“Students” Track</i>	<i>“Steering Committee” Track</i>	<i>“Technical Committee” Track</i>
08:00-10:00	Welcome Room A002 pav. A, (Administration Council Room) University Str., No.1, Oradea		Technical meeting (local members only) Room B215, pav.B, second floor University Str., No.1, Oradea
9:15	Gathering for Eurobusiness Park visit. Location: Room A002 pav. A, (Administration Council Room)		
10:00-12:45	Visit to Eurobusiness Park Oradea Romania		
12:45- 13:30	Lunch Student Canteen University Str., No.1, Oradea		
13:00- 14:00	Registration of the participants Room A002 pav. A, (Administration Council Room), Aula Magna University Str, No.1, Oradea		
14:00-19:00	Opening Ceremony Aula Magna, University Str., No.1, Oradea		
	International Workshop „Introduction to the New Era of Industrial Revolution – Industrie 4.0” Aula Magna		Technical meeting Room B215, pav. B, second floor
19:00-20:00	Student Technical Session Presentation of TIE 2014 subjects Set-up and checking of contest computers, CAD environments University of Oradea Library, Conference Room, ground floor University Str., No.1, Oradea		
20:00-21:00	Dinner Student Canteen		
21:00-22:30	Round Table Discussion TIE Plus Steering Committee, Industrial Advisor Committee and Technical Committee meeting Room B215/B222, pav. B, second floor		

Friday, April 24, 2015

07:00-07:30	Breakfast University of Oradea Library, Main Hall, ground floor		Technical preparation University of Oradea Library, Conference Room, ground floor
07:30-08:00	TIE 2015 contest preliminary activities University of Oradea Library, Conference Room, ground floor		
08:00-12:00	TIE 2015 CONTEST University of Oradea Library, Conference Room, ground floor	09:00-11:00 Panel Discussion Electronic Industry HR Department & AFCEA Student Club Room A002 pav. A, (Administration Council Room)	Technical session University of Oradea Library, Meeting Room third floor
12:00-13:00	Lunch University of Oradea Library, Main Hall, ground floor		
13:00-18:00	Assessment of the TIE 2015 projects University of Oradea Library, Conference Room, ground floor		
18:00-18.30		Steering committee meeting Room B215, pav. B, second floor	
18.30-19.40	TIE 2015 - Awarding ceremony Aula Magna		
20:00-22:00	Gala dinner TIE 2015 Hotel Continental		

Saturday, April 25, 2015

07:30-08:30	Breakfast
09:00-12:00	Ending session / Final remarks Room B215, pav.B, second floor

Note: Items in the program marked with **bold** type represent **compulsory activities** for the given track.



Workshop

„Introduction to the New Era of Industrial Revolution – Industrie 4.0”

23 April 2015

13:00-16:30 **Registration**

Welcome TIE Steering Committee:

14:00-14:30 *Prof. Sorin CURILĂ, Ph.D., President of the University of Oradea Senate,*

Welcome universities:

Prof. Constantin BUNGĂU, Ph.D., Rector of the University of Oradea,

Welcome industries:

Delia Ungur, General Manager Eurobusiness Park Oradea

Welcome TIE technical workshop:

Prof. Dr. h. c. mult. Paul Svasta, Ph.D. President APTE

14:30-16:30 ***First Session: Changes in the Electronic Industry Environment. The role of Innovative Clusters***

Session chairs:

Prof. Dan Pitică, Ph.D., Technical University of Cluj Napoca, Romania

Prof. Dr.h.c. Zsolt Illyefalvi-Vitez, Ph.D., Electronic Technology Department, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Hungary

14:30-15:00 **Industrie 4.0 and its Impact on Automation Technology**

Mihai Drăgan, Fraunhofer IPA, Stuttgart, Germany

15:00-15:30 **Tools to foster cross-sectorial cluster cooperation: competence mapping**

Daniel Coșniță, President, Romanian Cluster Association - CLUSTERO

- 15:30-16:00** The new support frame paradigm of the innovative start-ups and spin-offs
Alexandru BORCEA, MBA, Vice President APTE, Association for Promoting Electronic Technology
- 16:00-16:30** The role of HR in innovative environments
Aurelia Florea, Director Human Resources, SC Miele Tehnica SRL
- 16:30-17:00** *Networking Break*
- 17:00-19:00** *Second Session: New Challenges in Electronic Design*
Session chairs:
Prof. Robert Boesnecker, Ph.D., Technische Hochschule Deggendorf, Germany
Prof. Cornelia Gordan, Ph.D., University of Oradea, Romania
- 17:00-17:25** Factory of the Future
Petru Demian, Ph.D., Head of Industrial Engineering, Continental Automotive Romania SRL, Timisoara
- 17:25-17:50** EuroTraining's Thematic Trainings for SMEs
Hervé Fanet, Director CEA-Léti Minatec Campus, Grenoble, France
- 17:50-18:15** Signal Integrity Analysis
Thomas Goetz, Sales Manager Central and Eastern Europe EMG, Keysight Technologies
- 18:15-19:00** TIE Plus. The step towards interconnect simulation technology
Cătălin Negrea, Ph.D., Team Leader - EE Simulation TSR, Instrumentation & Driver HMI, Research & Development Electronic Engineering, Continental Automotive Romania

Panel Discussion
Electronic Industry HR Department
&
AFCEA - Armed Forces Communications and
Electronics Association - Student Club
24 April 2015, 09:00-11:00

Room A002 pav.A, (Administration Council Room)

09:00-11:00

Moderators:

Dan PITICĂ, AFCEA UTCLUJ Student Club Advisor

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Panelists:

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TIE 2015

DESIGN OF ELECTRONIC MODULES AND ASSEMBLIES Student Professional Contest

Awarding Ceremony

24 April 2015 – Aula Magna

- 18:00-18:30** **Registration**
- 18:30-18:45** **Opening Ceremony Speeches:**
Prof. Cornelia Gordan, Ph.D., University of Oradea, Romania
Dipl. Eng. Alexandru Borcea, MBA, President of Romanian Association for Electronic and Software Industries
- 18:45-18:50** **State of the art TIE 2015**
Prof. Norocel Codreanu, Ph.D, Politehnica University of Bucharest,
TIE Technical Committee Chair
- 18:50-19:15** **TIE 2015 Awarding**
Prof. Dr.h.c.mult.Paul Svasta, Ph.D., Politehnica University of Bucharest,
TIE Steering Committee Chair
Prof. Dan Pitică, Ph.D., Technical University of Cluj Napoca,
TIE Steering Committee Co-Chair
- 19:15-19:30** **PCB Designer Certification recommended by TIE IAC**
Dipl. Eng. Cosmin Moisa, Continental Automotive Timișoara,
TIE Industrial Advisor Committee Chair
Assoc. Prof. Gabriel Chindriș, Ph.D., Technical University of Cluj Napoca,
TIE Industrial Advisor Committee Co-Chair
- 19:30-19:40** **Looking Forward TIE 2016**
Assoc. Prof. Eugen Coca, Ph.D., "Ștefan cel Mare" University of Suceava, **TIE 2016 Chair**

TIE 2015 Gala Dinner (see on page 23)

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Industrie 4.0 and its Impact on Automation Technology

Abstract: Industrie 4.0 is Germany's response to the paradigm change given by the upcoming age of digitalisation. It is time to meet the new challenges through sustainable new solutions, especially in the ever developing field of production automation.

Keywords: Industrie 4.0, automation, digital, industrial revolution.

Upon a short introduction about the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, this keynote talk tries to tackle two main topics: industrial revolutions in the context of modern technology, and also their influences on production technologies.

Although the scholars are not on the same page yet when it comes to count and label the industrial revolution we have experienced so far, it is clear that we are on the brink of revolutionary changes in technologies like IT, automation or factory management. The Strategic Initiative Industrie 4.0 launched by the German Federal Government tries to focus research and development efforts on handling the new paradigm and offering competitive solution, well beyond the state of the art,



Fig. 1: Human-robot

and its influence on automation will be noticeable.

Like personal computers some 30 years ago, (industrial) robots are about to enter a new age of unprecedented versatility and affordability, making them the key tool for lean and human-safe collaborative production processes. Once a powerful, safe and reliable cloud software platform is accomplished, a whole new playground is open for business, making flexible, automated production easy to have and to master.

Stuttgart, 23.03.2015

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Tools to foster cross-sectorial cluster cooperation: competence mapping

Abstract: Small and medium size enterprises (SMEs) face the challenge of keeping up with global innovation tendencies dominated by a new non-linear and systemic approach based on cross-sectorial cluster initiatives and networks. Identifying key competences at enterprise level represents a condition sine qua non for the business development based on innovation and internationalization.

Keyword: provide, max. 5, keyword, here: innovation, non-linear, cross-sectorial, competence mapping

Innovation can be described as the result of interactions between the various players in the so called innovative systems. The systemic vision on innovation has been called into question by (Lundvall, 1992), (Nelson, 1993) and more recently (Guth, 2012). Given these new approaches, the traditional linear model of innovation that started from basic research and then moved to applied research, prototypes and eventually reached marketable products is becoming less and less relevant. An application of systemic theory of innovation, combined with the concepts of individual and institutional learning lies in the paradigm of clusters, as innovative non-linear tools to foster regional economic development. Another important aspect of innovation is the horizontal aspect becoming more and more relevant in recent years in the frame of European re-industrialisation processes, i.e. vertical industrial sectors like textiles, automotive, etc. turn into cross-sectorial emerging industries such as creative industries, green technologies, mechatronics etc. According to recent studies (2014) performed on behalf of the National Authority for Scientific Research and supported by the Jasper Programme, several cross-sectorial cluster networks have been identified in Romanian, such as mechatronics, technical textiles and electronics for smart systems in Bucharest-Ilfov, technical textiles in the North East and

biotechnology in the West Region. At national level, creative industries and green technologies, both including electronics, seem to be the most important tendencies of cross-cluster cooperation.

The discussion is of utmost important at the enterprise level, too, as SMEs need to keep up with global innovation tendencies. Recommended tools to discover and enhance the innovation potential and trigger business development horizontally towards completely new sectors are the “competence mapping” processes. One most successful ones has been developed and extensively used in Lower Austria leading to the establishment of the mechatronics and plastics clusters and it has been transferred already to Upper Austria, South Tyrol, Sweden and Romania (pilot phase).

Competence Mapping © describes a systematic approach to identify strategically significant innovation potential and to develop cross-sectorial economic fields of strength.

In intensive workshops, companies learn to change their views from product related development to a clear definition of their competences and identification of clear new applications and markets.

The method encompasses following topics: Analysis of the business model of the organisation; Analysis of the development vectors in the organisation; Competence Fiche of the organisation, Mapping of innovation potential; Mapping of internationalisation potential. The result is presented under the form of an innovation and internationalization strategy.

From a methodological point of view it encompasses following phases:

Prepare: Members of the enterprises wishing to take part in the competence mapping © will be approached by the moderator team. The client will be provided a short methodological briefing.

Analyse: During a half to full day workshop the moderation team visits the client’s organization which enables them to get a deep insight into their business. This workshop is intended to get information about: the client’s motivation to do the competence mapping exercise in more detail; the client’s business model, to have a detailed discussion on competences, resources and skills; future factors, i.e. the client team thinks on factors having a future impact on their business and resolving obvious business opportunities.

Search: After the analysis workshop, the moderator team refines in a first step data which have been collected during the workshop according to defined syntax and reformulates more precisely competencies, skills and resources. The second task during this phase comprises detailed innovation potential research to identify business opportunities outside the current scope of activities.

Check: In a second workshop, the client double checks the competence sheets that have been created, edited and adapted in the former steps.

Start: After the second workshop the client checks a final version of the competence mapping© documents and decides internally further steps.

Bucharest, 02.04.2015

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The new support frame paradigm of the innovative start-ups and spin-offs

Abstract: The importance of innovative start-ups and spin-offs was highlighted even by the first economists like Adam Smith and Friedrich List, but understanding the evolution of their paradigm and development frame is crucial to define appropriate measures and services in their support. If Adam Smith spoke about the importance of innovation, and Friedrich List framed the first support measures and strategies, at the beginning of the 21 century, the innovation related to new comers like start-ups and spin-offs became one of the most important duties of governments and local authorities to support local, regional, national and state unions' competitiveness.

Keyword: start-up, spin-off, innovation, support

If Adam Smith spoke about innovation and its importance in the frame of the first industrial revolution, and Friedrich List in the frame of the second one, according to the Kondratieff industry cycles, in this very moment the entire globe is challenged by the fourth industrial revolution in a global world. If in the case of the first industrial revolution the focus was on the capital and individual initiatives, and in the case of the second industrial revolution was on the concentration of resources in big industrial organizations and government support to conquer new market places, at the beginning of the 21 century, in the frame of the fourth industrial revolution, the focus is on sophisticated value chains, at local, regional, national and international levels, for which the entire community and its related communities are responsible.

And it is not only about the fourth industrial revolution but about the new human condition so nicely described by Prof. Peter Drucker in 1999: *In a few hundred years, when the history of our time will be written from a long-term perspective, I think it is very probable that the most important event these historians will see is not technology. It*

is not the Internet. It is not e-commerce. It is an unprecedented change in the human condition. For the first time, and I mean that literally, very substantial and rapidly growing numbers of people have choices. For the first time, they will have to manage themselves. And let me say, we are totally unprepared for it.

In the frame of this new paradigm, nobody and any community can hide or to excuse its responsibility regarding the competitiveness, welfare, wellbeing and sustainable development of the entire community and related communities in front of the actual or future generations. Especially the support for the new generations, founders and generators of new ideas through start-ups and spin-offs, should be not neglected, from their first steps to understand the world, during their active live and beyond. Starting with the education, the foundation of the new generations, followed by innovation and creativity support and globalization, the entire value chain have to encourage the imagination and aspirations of people. People have to support each other in front of their challenges and communities have to support their members and to support other communities too. In an interconnected and globalized world any person or community should not be excluded.

We are responsible for our life and our world, but we are responsible too to support the new generations and new ideas as foundation of the world which has to come.

Bucharest, 02.04.2015

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The role of HR in innovative environments

“The world is becoming a faster changing and more turbulent place for organizations and the necessity to adapt has never been greater”

Jacob Morgan – Author at “The Future of Work”

The fact that we are living in a constantly changing world is a reality we all have to face. We cannot afford to live in the present unless we pay attention to the trends of the future workplace markets.

According to recent studies, we are facing six megatrends that will change the future of work by 2030: globalization 2.0, environmental crisis, individualism and value pluralism, digitalization, demographic change and technological convergence.

For anyone in the field of HR, it is no secret that all processes must be ahead of the technical and social trends of the world. Therefore, there is a need for a vision, strategy to represent how the world will look like in 2030. And most important of all, we have to act, to research and change our attitude accordingly.

How can we do that? First of all, living in a strong partnership with the academic environment, we believe in the Universities’ capacity to become more and more responsive to employers’ needs and offer a variety of avenues for qualification programs. Also, we contribute to support and encourage the technological advancements to train the future employees with skills adapted to the new and rapidly changing market requirements.

We, Miele, as a company, provide students the access to real life of technology in electronic industry environment. Programs such as Mastership, Internship or Practice facilitate a better assimilation of

theoretical knowledge and ensure that candidates are able to face the challenges as future employees.

Another strategic approach in preparing for future is to implement and develop the clear and simple processes using the latest trends in technology as platform to attract, keep and develop top level employees.

For me personally it is always a challenge to be able to integrate the right tools to provide the business the necessary resources for performance, guiding people towards a common understanding of their role in the growth of our organization.

Braşov, 6th of April, 2015

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Factory of the Future

Abstract: The aim of this paper is to provide a fast view of the automotive electronic production challenges and the future solutions in the automotive modern factory.

Automotive market view

Nowadays, the automotive electronic factories have to adapt to the following main challenges:

- Product Life Cycle reduction (PLC) (from 3 years to 1.5year);
- Cost pressure & increase worldwide competitiveness;
- Consumer electronic products enter the automotive market;
- Infotainment & communication are already important parts of the car;
- The modern car is more an electronic & software product than a mechanical one.

Future development

Faster Product Life Cycle imposes factories to rapidly introduce new products and variants with reasonable start-up cost and short implementation time in the production.

A possible solution for the mentioned PLC reduction cycle is to focus on clever automatization, multiproduct line concepts with easy and efficient change management and version management processes.

Cost pressure in automotive comes not only from direct and indirect customers pressure, but is amplified by the fact that more and more typical non-automotive products are integrated in the car and also non-automotive electronic & related software products enter the automotive market (for example infotainment suppliers).

So, the automotive factories are forced to produce with automotive standards/ high quality and reliability at the cost of consumer electronic market. This means that continuous optimization of internal processes, 5S, LEAN manufacturing and 6 Sigma are mandatory parts of the daily life in the future factories.

Future cars become electronic and related software products; usually more than 60 electronic units are connected and communicate between them. Even more, the new development goes in the direction of car to car communication, internet communication and semiautomatic/ automatic software update, video stream processing, and gradually semiautomatic/ automatic driving will become usually. Under this condition the future factory production equipment has to deal with high complexity electronic units, production test equipment has to simulate the real car environment and to manage a lot of product software variants and changes.

The testing of electronic units is changing from classical ICT/ test point access to boundary test and complex hardware/ software self test using design for test approach from the start of the product development.

Fast production line reconfiguration, automatic product variant management, production line adaptation and complete product traceability database combined with high degree of automatic solutions are mandatory elements for the future factories.

Considering all the above mentioned, the **future automotive factory** has to be an **intelligent system** with a very strong IT/ software structure that supports not only the technical needs relegated production processes, but also integrate decision making software solutions for all the factory values stream.

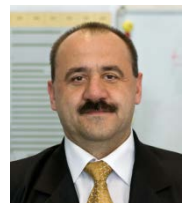
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EuroTraining's Thematic Trainings for SMEs

Abstract: EuroTraining is a European Commission sponsored FP7 Coordination and Support Action with the aim of providing a European Training Infrastructure (ETI) facilitating the provision of high calibre training across Europe. The service is available at www.eurotraining.net. A work package (WP1) is dedicated to the identification and cataloguing advanced trainings originating from EC sponsored project; as well as, the provision of thematic and multimedia trainings for SMEs. EuroTraining also supports higher education by a course materials exchange service; cataloguing the available summer schools; organizing train-the-trainers courses; and collecting international graduate programmes available in the EU. The training actions enhance the development of the European knowledge-based society in the fields of embedded systems, micro-/nanoelectronics and smart integrated systems.

Keyword: thematic training, multimedia training, small and medium size enterprises (SMEs), train-the-trainers courses, summer schools.

The figure below shows how the different workpackages and tasks of EuroTraining promote training users, including small enterprises.



The objectives of WP1: Professional Advancement Training are:

- to identify and make available advanced trainings originating from EU funded projects, and from the ENIAC and ARTEMIS platforms;
- the provision of thematic trainings, focusing on the convergence of advanced More-than-Moore elements with beyond-CMOS devices, and their integration and interfacing with existing technology; and
- to develop and offer multimedia based trainings dedicated to SMEs.

For more information about the project services and results, please visit the website at www.eurotraining.net, or contact the coordinator and/or the relevant project partner, listed in the table below.

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Signal Integrity Analysis

The proliferation of high speed serial links has driven the wide spread use of differential pairs. A differential pair is nothing more than two, single ended transmission lines, with some coupling, used together to carry a differential signal from a transmitter to a receiver.

Every single backplane produced today, and in the foreseeable future, is composed of multiple channels of differential pairs.

The capability of the system to keep the integrity of signal could be evaluated in time domain or frequency domain.

Time Domain Reflectometry is used for more than 40 characterization, modeling, and emulation applications using single or multiple ports TDR. In frequency domain 4-port Vector Network Analyzer (VNA) is used for Physical Layer Test System (PLTS).

De-embedding is commonly used to remove the contribution of probing to circuit board traces, backplane channels, semiconductor packages, connectors and discrete components.

In signal integrity applications, de-embedding is the most important technique besides calibration for obtaining artifact-free device measurements. It is noteworthy to mention that full de-embedding requires all s-parameters for the fixture.

With a differential fixture, this means the s4p Touchstone file will have all 16 elements in the 4x4 matrix.

Once you have the S-parameter file for the fixture, the built in de-embedding features of the VNA, PLTS or Software applications can

be used to separate the true performance of the device under test from the artifacts introduced by its fixture.

Few examples and comments complete the presentation.

The principles of TDR and VNA operation are detailed in references listed in the bibliography.

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TIE Plus

The step towards interconnect simulation technology

Abstract: “TIE Plus” represents a new challenge under the TIE brand, focused on supporting simulation technologies for PCB design. The main disciplinary areas of interest are signal and power integrity.

Keyword: electro-magnetic simulation, signal integrity, interconnect modeling

The continuous complexity increase of electronic assemblies correlated with today's time-to-market demands creates the need of accelerated development cycles that imply the usage of virtual prototyping techniques. From the pool of virtual prototyping disciplines, one of the leading roles in PCB design is attributed to signal and power integrity. The need to incorporate such specialized electromagnetic simulations in to the PCB design flow is determined by the fact that, at high frequencies associated with digital data transmissions, the interconnect can be no longer considered an ideal electrical connection and the parasitic elements have to be taken in to consideration. Assuring the compliance of signal waveforms to data transmission standards in a non-ideal electromagnetic environment is becoming more of a challenge as data transfer rates and component density continually increase. Modeling the parasitic elements of an electronic system interconnect and evaluating the signal parameters, as a result of the interactions with integrated circuits, represents the basic principle of signal integrity analysis.

The workshop will cover a brief introduction in the field of signal integrity and the associated topics of interest for future candidates, followed by an exemplification of a subject and its corresponding solution.

As a result of the increasing industry demand for such specialized roles of electrical engineering, TIE takes one step further in promoting high level expertise in the field of electronic packaging.

The successful implementation of a contest stage for such a high-level technical field represents a major challenge for both academia and industry, which have to align to the newest trends in computer-aided design.

TIE Plus aims to create a collaborative-competitive environment where the candidates presents their technical solutions for the proposed subject, but also exchange ideas on simulation approaches and get in touch other PCB design professionals.

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Silver anniversary of TIE!

On behalf of the local organizing committee, I wish to address you all a warm invitation to Suceava, for the 25th edition of the TIE competition. Ștefan cel Mare University of Suceava (USV), founded in 1963, is one of the fastest rising universities in the Eastern Romania region providing higher education of high quality standards. It is one of the very few universities in this region with a comprehensive curriculum, including more than 100 programs at undergraduate, master, doctoral, and post-doctoral level from all five faculty areas (Arts & Humanities, Engineering & IT, Life Sciences, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences). At present, Ștefan cel Mare University of Suceava has 9 faculties, about 8.100 students, 330 academic staff and 300 administrative and auxiliary personnel. The Computers, Automation and Electronics Department, host of the TIE 2016 competition, is actively implied in developing the human resources in IT, automation, communications, and applied electronics, the base of the Romanian economy grow in the years to come.

Suceava is the 23rd largest city in Romania, with more than 92,000 inhabitants. For nearly 200 years, between 1388 and 1565, the city of Suceava was the capital of the Principality of Moldavia and the main residence of the Moldavian princes. The city was the capital of the lands of Stephen the Great, one of the pivotal figures in the Romanian history. Among the most picturesque treasures of Romania are the Painted Monasteries of Bucovina. Their painted exterior walls are decorated with elaborate 15th and 16th century frescoes, seven of them were placed on UNESCO's World Heritage list in 1993.

See you in Suceava!

Suceava, March 26th, 2015

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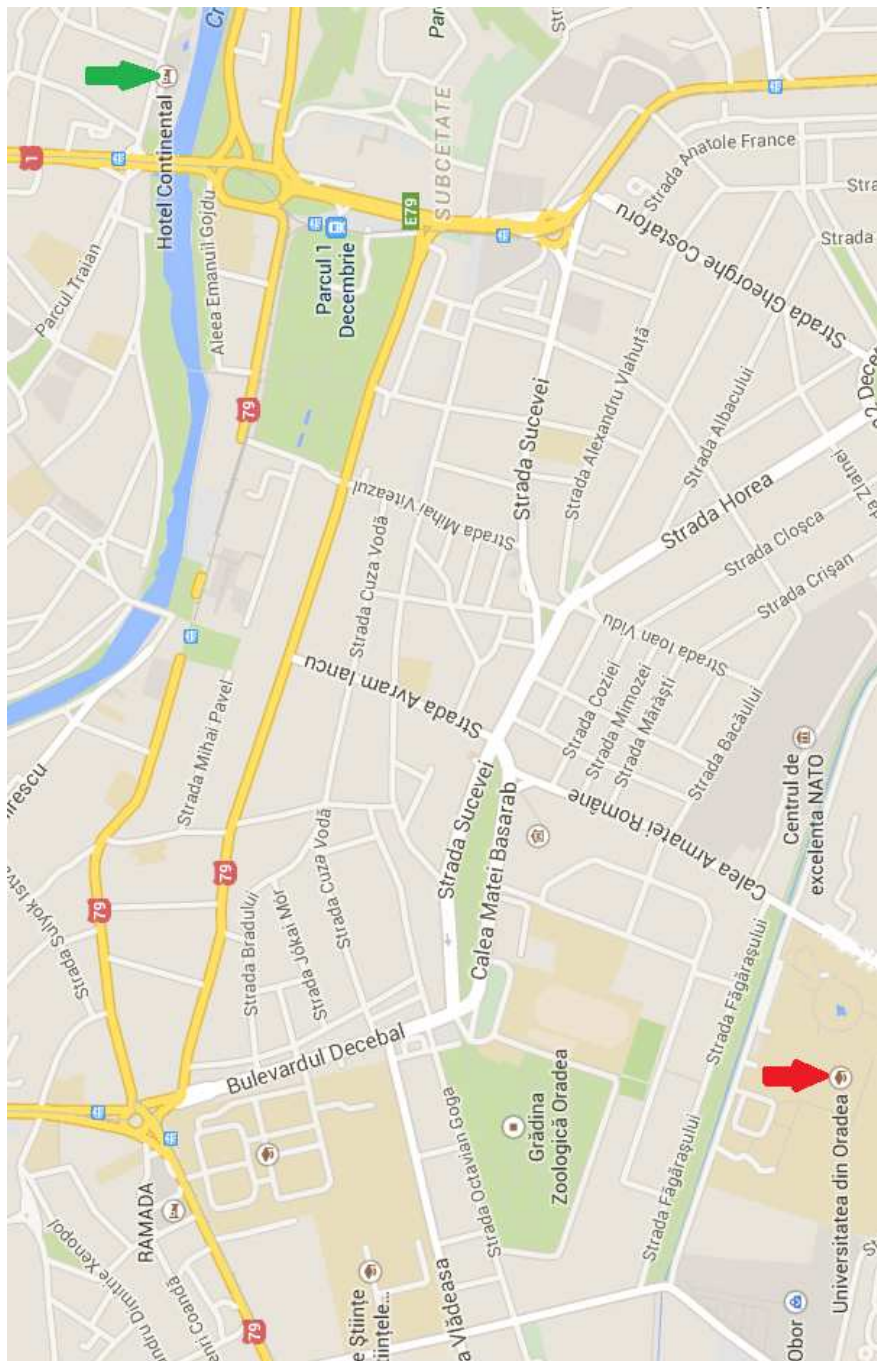
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