

Guest Editors' Overview

THE SUBSTANTIAL number of papers accepted for presentation at the 1996 IMS in San Francisco resulted in record submissions of expanded papers for the Special Symposium Issue of the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON MICROWAVE THEORY AND TECHNIQUES. A total of 139 IMS papers + 7 MMWMCS papers were submitted and 55 papers + 3 MMWCS papers were selected for publication (40% acceptance). At this time the acceptance rate for these papers was dictated not by the page allocation (previous special issues were somewhat constrained by this factor) but by the quality of the papers. Per directions from ADCOM and from Regular Editors of the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON MICROWAVE THEORY AND TECHNIQUES, we made sure that all highly qualified papers, deserving wider circulation, were included in this Special Issue.

This TRANSACTIONS Special Issue reflects the ongoing resurgence of the microwave industry and the commercial applications responsible for this are well represented. A significant portion of this issue is devoted to circuits for wireless technology and to modeling of active and passive circuits for these applications, particularly at the lower end of the spectrum where growth has been explosive. To inclusively address this market segment, for 1997 the MMWMC Symposium is broadening its scope to include RF IC's containing both analog and digital functions. To reflect these changes, it is changing its name to RFIC Symposium.

The majority of the papers can be classified as "applications papers" reversing the normal trend of the TRANSACTIONS (considered by many as being too theoretical). Almost 50%

of the papers were contributed from outside the United States underlining the international makeup of the IMS.

We would like to thank all the reviewers (listed in the next few pages) for their efforts—due to severe time limitations for this issue it was paramount to receive reviews on schedule. Each submitted paper was sent to at least three reviewers, and quite a few reviewers received more than one paper. More than 300 reviewers participated in this process, and we really appreciate their timely contributions.

On a personal note, the IMS Guest Editor would like to dedicate this editorial effort to the memory of Prof. Adam Smolinski, Life Fellow of IEEE, of Warsaw Technical University, who significantly influenced his early microwave career and whose untimely death this year left a great void in the European microwave community.

Also, Dr. Fiedziuszko would like to express his appreciation to Dr. E. James Crescenzi, General Chairman of the 1996 IMS, whose leadership made this year's IMS so successful, for the opportunity to serve on his committee in a dual role. It was professionally a very rewarding experience.

Finally, he would like to thank his employer, Space Systems/LORAL (formerly Ford Aerospace) for the continuing encouragement and support of IEEE MTT activities.

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