



The two main organized forms for elected engineers to exchange views, to learn each other results to be acquainted with others working somewhere in the world are the professional Journals and various smaller or larger gatherings: Conferences, Symposiums, Seminars etc. The EPE Journal serves first of all but not exclusively the needs of the European professional engineers being active in the area of Power Electronics, Electric Drives and Motion Control and related fields. The two major Conferences, the EPE and the EPE-PEMC ones beside some others are the other main offer to our community by the EPE

Association. The last Conferences were EPE 2001 in Graz and EPE-PEMC 2000 in Kosice.

In the current issue of EPE Journal some of the best papers presented in EPE-PEMC 2000 are published. One of the major selection criteria was that the papers have to address possibly the interest of most readers. We hope the selection meets this requirement and you will find them useful, fruitful and stimulating.

We seize the opportunity and kindly invite the readers and their colleagues to participate with their original contributions in the next major event in the EPE-PEMC 2002 to be held in Cavtat and Dubrovnik, Republic of Croatia. The deadline for submitting the synopsis is just around the corner. Please join us to overview and to discuss the current issues of Power Electronics, Motion Control and related areas in these three day-events. The Conference web site is: <http://www.fer.hr/epe-pemc2002>

The EPE-PEMC International Conference series is one of the oldest if not the oldest one in our profession started in 1970. The EPE-PEMC Council having representatives from 16 European countries starting from UK and ending with the Baltic States together with the EPE Association is the responsible international body behind EPE-PEMC 2002. IEEE-IE Society and the Japanese IEE can be found among the sponsors together with the most relevant domestic organizations. There is a strong determination to ensure the same high standard as in the EPE Conferences by reviewing each contribution with three independent reviewers belonging to the same known and respected group of professionals.

The tradition in these Conferences is to invite three prominent experts as keynote speaker from three continents; one from Europe, one from America and one from Asia. This tradition will continue together with the organization of a number of Special (Invited) Sessions on topics being the front line of the current interest. Internationally well known experts will chair and organize the Special Sessions inviting the contribution from those persons who are spearheading the development in the specific field.

It goes without saying that the number one objective for attending such events is professional one. But the social, cultural aspect, motivation cannot entirely be neglected. The venue of EPE-PEMC 2002, Dubrovnik & Cavtat and the 5 stars Hotel Croatia offers ideal surroundings for hard work and relaxation with the exceptional natural beauty of its landscape, with its old buildings, monuments and magnificent treasures right on the warm, blue sea.

Dubrovnik, Ragusium in Latin, situated on the south part of Adriatic coast was founded in the 7th century. Its outstanding cultural and historic monuments have earned it a place on UNESCO's World Heritage list. "Those who seek paradise on earth should come to Dubrovnik", George Bernard Shaw, the famous Irish writer, once said, and he was not far off the mark.

Please take your spouse and relatives with you. You will return home with unforgettable experience. We are looking forward to meeting you in Dubrovnik and Cavtat.

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