

Invitation to EPE-PEMC 2008 in Poznań (Poland)

**13th International Power Electronics and Motion Control Conference
(September 1 – 3, 2008)**



On behalf of the Power Electronics and Motion Control Council, the EPE Association and the National Organising Committee it is my honour to invite the whole power electronics community to the 13th Power Electronics and Motion Control Conference, EPE-PEMC 2008, held in Poznań, Poland, from September 1 to September 3, 2008.

The EPE-PEMC Conference traditionally brings together outstanding professionals in the field of Power Electronics and Motion Control from the leading research centres around the world. We are determined to keep this good tradition alive and we are convinced that the conference in Poznań will create a unique opportunity to renew and strengthen our professional contacts. We also hope that it will highlight the multidisciplinary character of Power Electronics and Motion Control and show its vast scope of applications. It is well known that the development of power electronics systems is a key condition to use renewable and clean energy, to introduce modern power conversion and energy transfer systems or improve mass transport systems and electric/hybrid cars. The power electronics systems should fulfil the conditions of low cost, reliability, miniaturization as well as the environmental requirements given by Kyoto protocol in terms of energy saving and recyclable environmental friendly materials. In order to obtain such results a close cooperation among power electronics experts, engineers and end users is highly essential. We would like to address and invite the companies and engineers dealing with power electronics components and systems, renewable energy technologies, mechanics and mechatronics systems, adjustable speed drives and automation technologies. We are sure that the participation in conference of our industrial partners can provide us with insights into the practical importance of research results and give us inspiration for novel ideas and research concepts.

The Conference is taking place in the city of Poznań the first capital of Poland, a country in Central Europe. Poznań is recognised as a perfect venue for conferences and congresses thanks to a range of modern high-quality facilities including hotels of all categories, restaurants, cafés, and cultural and congress centres. Poznań can boast 23 universities and institutions of higher education and ranks among the leading scientific and research centres in Europe. Over 120,000 students give the city a distinctive character.

The advantage of Poznań as a conference venue is also its perfect location at the intersection of major European transport routes. The modern airport Ławica offers scheduled flights to a wide range of European destinations such as Copenhagen, Vienna, Dublin, Cologne/Bonn, Frankfurt, Munich, London, Paris, Stockholm and Warsaw. Poznań is also the hub of a vast rail network and provides convenient and regular passenger services on the route from Berlin, Cologne and Brussels via Warsaw to Moscow and Kiev in the east as well as on the north-south route from Stockholm and Copenhagen via Gdańsk and Szczecin to Prague and Budapest.

Several cultural and tourist events will be organised during the conference. We believe it is a good way of getting you and your accompanying persons acquainted with the region of Wielkopolska and its capital city Poznań.

I am looking forward to see you in Poznań.

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