

Report on the MOW conference week

The Mobile-Optical-Wireless (MOW) conference week was held in Budapest, Hungary from 14 to 18 May, 2007. It was organized in cooperation with the IEEE AP/ComSoc/ED/MTT Societies Joint Chapter in Hungary, the European Microwave Association, the URSI Hungarian National Committee, as well as the Budapest University of Technology and Economics, the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the Scientific Society for Telecommunications and Informatics.

The MOW conference week was composed of 5 different meetings: the 12th Colloquium on Microwave Communications (Microcoll), the 7th Mediterranean Microwave Symposium (MMS), the 18th International Electromagnetic Fields and Materials (EMFM) conferences, as well as an optical communications Workshop and Summer School.

The main part of the conference week was the joint organization of two conferences: the Microcoll and the Mediterranean Microwave Symposium. In the program of the 3 day long two parallel held conferences there were 130 papers including 19 invited talks. The participants came from 32 countries.

The participants could listen to an interesting and high level program which was even enhanced by the invited speakers. Among them there were 10 IEEE distinguished lecturers: 2 from Antennas and Propagation Society, 2 from Communications Society, 2 from Electron Devices Society and 4 from Microwave Theory and Techniques Society. Some of the distinguished lecturers came to the conference from the USA only for a single day to present their talk.

The papers have been published in a joint Proceeding's Book of the two conferences. The details of the program can be seen on the web site:

www.diamond-congress.hu/mow2007

The best contributed papers will be published in an extended form in the Proceedings of the European Microwave Association.

The European Microwave Association gave 3 Awards to the best young scientist's papers. The first Prize was shared by Anne-Laure Billabert from France and Yifey Li from the USA, the 3rd Prize was given to Olena Boryskina from Ukraine.

The conference site was in the hilly area of Budapest in the new Europa Conference Center. The social program consisted of a Welcome Party and a Banquet. The banquet was held outside of the city. It contained a horse show, a dinner with live gipsy music and a folk's dance with bon fire. The participants enjoyed both the technical and the social programs.

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