

FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear colleagues,

You are reading the first issue of SIGNAL, our monthly newsletter which is to become the main information medium of the Microsystems Strategic Alliance of Québec (ReSMiQ). This newsletter aims to be an active link between the members of ReSMiQ and all individuals who have an interest in research and innovation in microsystems. We commit ourselves to promote in it our members' research and increase ReSMiQ's visibility. We are thus counting on every professor and researcher affiliated with ReSMiQ to inform us of any relevant result or news worth publishing in SIGNAL. You will find in it news from our members and information about our coming activities.

I would like to seize the opportunity offered by this first edition to express our best wishes for 2009 to our members and readers; may this year bring success to all. Please note that the administrative team of our center has recently being augmented with M. Normand René as scientific assistant to the director. This new position was a necessary step to enhance the impact of our activities, both local and international, industrial and academic. Hiring M. René was made possible by the significant increase of our FQRNT grant in the spring of 2008.

Again, please do not hesitate to bring any news or events to our attention so that we be first to herald them.

Best regards.
M. Sawan, director

RESMIQ ACTIVITIES

Financial support for undergraduates students, 2000\$ for a duration of 3 month

APPLICATION DEADLINE – April 3, 2009, 5:00pm

[Eligibility and application](#)

Scholarship for post-doctoral fellow, up to 20 000\$ for a duration of 1 year.

APPLICATION DEADLINE – February 2, 2009, 5:00pm

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NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

March 2008

Dr. Mohamad Sawan elected a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada (EIC).

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June 2008

Dr. Mohamad Sawan elected as officer of the National Order of Quebec (NOQ).

[More details](#)

November 2008

- Dr. Yvon Savaria appointed as Chairman of the Board of Directors for CMC Microsystems.

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- Dr. François Gagnon and his colleagues received a best-paper award.

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- Dr. François Gagnon honored by the NSERC for his collaboration with Ultra Electronics.

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December 2008

Dr. Omair M. Ahmad received Doctoral Guidance Award 2008 from Concordia University.

[More details](#)

CONFERENCES

CALL FOR PAPERS

Int'l Joint NEWCAS-TAISA Conf. (IEEE NEWCAS-TAISA'09)

June 28 – July 1, 2009, Toulouse, France

Submission deadline : February 2, 2009

[More details](#)

Int'l Symp. on Signals, Circuits & Systems (ISSCS 2009)

July 9 – 10, 2009, Iasi, Romania

Submission deadline : February 9, 2009

[More details](#)

Midwest Symp. on Circuits and Systems (MWSCAS 2009)

August 2 – 5, 2009, Cancun, Mexico

Submission deadline: March 25, 2009

[More details](#)

Intensive course

Tradeoffs and Optimization in Analog CMOS Design

David Binkley, U. of North Carolina at Charlotte, USA

École Polytechnique de Montréal, Lassonde Building, M-1420

January 30, 2009, 8:30am to 4:30pm

[Abstract and biography](#)