

Welcome from the IMS Chair

Ekomo mai — Welcome to what is widely regarded as the most prestigious microwave industry gathering in the world: the 2007 International Microwave Symposium (IMS 2007), to be held 3–8 June 2007 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

IMS 2007 is the largest international conference devoted to the research, development, and application of RF and microwave theory and techniques and is expected to draw over 10,000 participants and 400 exhibiting companies from around the world. This conference is organized and sponsored by the Microwave Theory and Techniques Society (MTT-S) of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).

This is the 50th year that MTT-S has organized this symposium and coincidentally it's being held in the 50th state of the USA. It is also the first time that this symposium is being held off of the North American continent. Hawaii has long been regarded as the Crossroads of the Pacific, making it the perfect venue to bridge East and West by encouraging attendees and exhibitors alike to interact in what is now a global microwave village.

IMS 2007 (www.ims2007.org) is the centerpiece of Microwave Week 2007, which also includes the Radio-Frequency Integrated Circuit Symposium (www.rfic2007.org) and the Automatic Radio-Frequency Techniques Group Conference (www.arftg.org).

Additional IEEE conferences in Honolulu this summer include the IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation (10–15 June) and the IEEE International Symposium on Electromagnetic Compatibility (8–13 July).

You may also consider vacationing in Hawaii before or after the conference. The Hawaiian Islands are a world-renowned visitor destination with many activities for you and your family to enjoy. Snorkel among tropical fish at Hanauma Bay. Learn to surf at Waikiki Beach. Golf at one of more than 80 courses and world-class resorts. Explore fiery lava flows on the Big Island. Hike through lush rainforests on Kauai. Cruise down a Maui volcano on a mountain bike. Many of these and other historical Hawaiian cultural activities are part of our guest program.

I look forward to meeting you in Hawaii.



Aloha Kakou,
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General Chair, IMS 2007