

Welcome Message from the IEEE CE Society President

I welcome you to the second Global Conference on Consumer Electronics-Japan (GCCE 2013). This conference was planned by Professor Hase from Japan and me. This conference is modelled on the long established (over 50 years old) IEEE Consumer Electronics Society's flag-ship conference, the ICCE in Las Vegas. It is held in conjunction with the Consumer Electronics Show (CES), and in Japan we have the support of the CEATEC, for which we are very grateful. Such co-operation allows delegates to attend a very important consumer electronics show, and attend our conference.



Our surveys showed that there is a need for additional IEEE CE Society conferences. Until recently we had no real presence in Europe or Asia. Yet the demand for opportunities to publish and network for consumer electronics professionals is there. To help fill that need, we decided to build a series of conferences based on the ICCE Las Vegas. In addition to the GCCE in Japan, we have started conferences associated with major shows in Germany, China, and Taiwan. We are grateful for the support we received from the Show organisers in these countries and we look forward to many years of continuous collaboration. The success of the GCCE is also due to the support of all the Japanese Professional Societies related to Consumer Electronics activities, which have been very supportive of our conference. We look forward to many years of mutually beneficial collaboration. As a result of these new conferences, consumer electronics related conference papers have increased by over 300%. This is important in a field with the very high rate of change. Researchers need an avenue to publish their work in high quality conferences.

The response to this conference was very pleasing. The number of papers received was very encouraging. The GCCE-Japan Conference as established itself as one of CE Society's leading conferences, especially as it is located in a strategically very important region. To have a conference of this stature held annually allows regional participation, especially for those who would like to take part in a CE Society event, but can not make to the ICCE in Vegas.

Our Society has been filming at our conferences, and clips from our ICCE-Berlin and ICCE-Las Vegas conferences can be viewed at:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/ieeECEsocTV>

The increase in new events will hopefully benefit you as members, and provide you with opportunities to network and make new friends. I hope to have the opportunity to welcome you at a CE Society event in the very near future.

To conclude I would like to thank the Japan team for the excellent job they have done. The Japan team is headed by Prof. Hase, the Conference Chairs Tomohiro Haraikawa and Takako Nonaka. Special thanks to Charlotte Kobert, for doing more than was required of her.

Without authors and delegates we would not have a conference, so I would like to thank all authors and delegates for participating. Thanks are also due to the following Japanese Societies: The Institute of Electronics, Information and Communications Engineers, The Institute of Electrical Engineers of Japan, The Institute of Image Information and Television Engineers, The Information Processing Society of Japan, and The Institute of Image Electronics Engineers of Japan.

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