

## 25 Years of Intelligent Vehicles Symposia

This year's IV symposium marked the 25th anniversary of this conference series. It started in 1989 in Japan thanks to the vision of Dr. Ichiro Masaki, the "driving force" who not only initiated this series, but coordinated, planned and led many of the first conferences. The success of the series consolidated over the years and soon became the reference event for academia, industry, and government institution working on any aspect of vehicular intelligence.

When Dr. Ichiro Masaki started the first conferences, the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society was the home for this series. It was also thanks to the increasing success of

Dr. Ichiro Masaki, Founding General Chair of IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposia, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA.

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When finally the ITS Council was transformed into the IEEE ITS Soci-

ety, the Intelligent Vehicles Symposium became one of the two flagship conferences.

Dr. Masaki's long term engagement was celebrated at the IV 2014 event by Prof. Umit Ozguner, the General Chair of the conference. A





Dr. Ichiro Masaki receives a token of appreciation and the official IV.



2014 T-shirt from Prof. Alberto Broggi.

token of appreciation was provided to Dr. Masaki in recognition of his leadership and vision in starting and conducting the IV Symposium, which is now the home of many scientists, engineers, and practitioners working for the progress of vehicular science. Dr. Masaki is still involved in progressing science, with a special interest in ITS related subjects. He recently initiated a new conference series to explore systematic

methodologies for improving the quality of life by advancing the technology of the "Universal Village" and its major subsystems, including intelligent health care, intelligent transportation, intelligent environment, intelligent energy management and protection of the environment. During the 2014 Universal Village conference, Prof. Alberto Broggi presented to Dr. Masaki a IV2014 Tshirt in recognition of his leadership.

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1989 - Tsukuba, Japan

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2002 - Versailles, France

2003 - Columbus, OH, USA

2004 - Parma, Italy

2005 - Las Vegas, NV, USA

2006 - Tokyo, Japan

2007 - Istanbul, Turkey

2008 - Eindhoven, The Netherlands

2009 - Xi'an, China

2010 - San Diego, CA, USA

2011 - Baden Baden, Germany

2012 - Alcalá de Henares, Spain

2013 - Gold Coast, Australia

2014 – Dearborn, MI, USA

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