

Activity & Progress Reporting

Section Autumn Meeting - 13th November 2020

<p>1. Chapter/Affinity Group:</p>	<p>Solid-State Circuits Chapter SSC37</p>
<p>2. Committee Members</p>	<p>Chair: Peter Kennedy, University College Dublin Vice-Chair: Donnacha O’ Riordan, MCCI, Cork Treasurer: Aidan O’Toole, Tyndall National Institute, Cork Local Organiser: Hashem Zare-Hoseini, Phasor, Cambridge Local Organiser: Mike Keaveney, Analog Devices, Limerick</p>
<p>3. Reporting Officer:</p>	<p>Peter Kennedy, University College Dublin</p>
<p>4. Overview of current plan and activities:</p>	<p>i. Attend Chapter Chairs meetings at ISSCC [YES], ESSCIRC [NO]. ii. Organise lectures in Cork (2) [NO], Dublin (2) [PLANNED FOR DEC. 20 AND JAN. 21], and Limerick (1) [NO]. iii. Sponsor poster prize at MCCI technical forum [NO]</p>
<p>5. Key Achievements and member value/services to date:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organize seminars in Dublin and Cork, occasionally in Limerick/Cambridge/London, by eminent speakers from academia and industry.
<p>6. Key Challenges:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need organisers on the ground. Dublin and Cork work; UK is harder. Covid 19 has shut us down our in-person seminars for the foreseeable future.
<p>7. Deficits/Required Resources:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It would be good to have more money to run events and volunteers to help with activities and reporting/finances.
<p>8. Actions/Support requested from the Section:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It would be good to have technical assistance to run online events.
<p>9. Action Plan:</p>	<p>When travel and social distancing restrictions are lifted, we will restart our in-person activities. In the meantime, we will experiment with one or two online webinars.</p> <p>Our planned in-person programme was severely disrupted in 2020 but we have two <i>online</i> events planned for December 2020 (Galton and Madden) and one for January 2021 (O’Dwyer).</p> <p>We have approached speakers (Psychogiou and Staszewski) for two additional online events later in Spring 2021. We plan to host a DL as well.</p>