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President's message



Dear potential EPE'21 ECCE Europe participants, Dear recipients of the EPE Newsletter,

After the up's and downs in the corona pandemic year 2020, with all the consequences we had to follow due to the governmental regulations, I am happy to learn that this year, thanks to the crash actions in the development of vaccines, we see some light at the end of the tunnel that will allow us to smoothly move back to "normal" life.

However, a deep analysis of the situation in the different countries resulted in a high risk of travel restrictions to and inside the European Union still being in place. This will have a major impact for companies, universities and research institutes to allow their staff and students to participate in face-to-face events in 2021. As a

consequence, **EPE Association has decided to organize this year's EPE ECCE Europe Conference once more as a virtual event.** Our local organizing team is making all efforts to select a proven media tool for the online conference, so we can provide our participants with the best possible online experience. EPE'21 ECCE Europe will compile high level expert keynotes and presentations. All participants will of course have the possibility to attend the presentations, followed by Q & A slots. Again, this year we are offering an outstanding technical program with many expert presentations from industry and academia as well as timeslots for technical discussions in addition to the virtual poster sessions, industry sessions and the online exhibition. I invite all of you to take this unique chance to participate at this high-level technical event transporting all sessions to your screen directly.

With this newsletter, I also would like to take the opportunity to inform you about the changes in the head office of the EPE Association in Brussels. Brigitte Sneyers, who served as Secretary General for more than 30 years, since the foundation of the EPE association, has effectively retired on 31 January 2021. Brigitte was the main driver to develop the EPE Association, the EPE Conference and all related topics to the worldwide renewed Power Electronics Technology Platform, for an exchange of information among experts from Industry and Academia. All of the EPE community would like to thank her for her outstanding work and commitment. Brigitte was well-known for her knowledge in organizing large events, her ability to present ideas in developing the EPE Association clearly in all relevant committees, her cooperative working style and her receptiveness to new tasks. All of these were success factors to survive even in difficult economic period, and develop the EPE Association to this high level we have today.

We all understand that with the new composition of the EPE-association's secretariat, it is a new challenge to organize the September 2021 conference, also for the time being due to the impact of COVID-19. Besides a strategic future development of the EPE Association and Conference, all activities are focused on organizing another successful virtual EPE ECCE Europe Conference this year.

I am looking forward to all conference contributors and participants, to continue their support to the EPE Association, to maintain a high-level technical platform for an exchange of information and open innovation in the field of power electronics here in Europe.

Leo Lorenz, President



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Exhibition

As the conference and exhibition will again be organized virtually this year, we made some modifications to the exhibitor's booth rates. Also new this year is the registration: all booth reservations have to be done through the EPE Conference registration website managed by Carte Blanche (https://it.cborg.info/EPE2021/). The reservation of a virtual stand is only valid in addition to the participation at a Full Rate registration (not for authors).

Contact persons:

- nancy.langsberg@vub.be for any further general information
- dylan.molinie@carte-blanche.fr for any information regarding your virtual booth on Whova
- Rates & Registration

Virtual booth fee:

- Stand price: 799 € VAT exc. + Exhibitor's registration (full rate)
 - Same as the participant's registration fees:

Full rate conference or author registration:

540 € VAT inc. before 5 July;

630 € VAT inc. between 6 July and 26 August;

830 € VAT inc. after 26 August.

- Price increases at the same deadlines as for the participants
- No exceptions: Company's authors already registered are not valid.
 Stand will only be valid if there is a registered representative of the company.
- Additional orders:
 - + 499 € VAT exc. for information on EPE Association Website (www.epe-association.org)
 - + 299 € VAT exc. for a vendor session (20 minutes)

Additional orders:

• Additional Exhibitor Pass:

540 € VAT inc. before 5 July; 630 € VAT inc. between 6 July and 26 August; 830 € VAT inc. after 26 August.

- Additional vendor session: 299 € VAT exc.
- Advertisement in an EPE Newsletter:
 - o Half page: 999 € VAT exc.
 - o Banner: 549 € VAT exc.



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Registration:

Included in the booth registration:

- Your logo on the EPE 2021 website with a link to your company website
- A dedicated virtual exhibition space in the Whova application
- A personal access to the virtual conference allowing you to follow all sessions

How to register for a booth?

• Registration for the exhibition has to be done through the registration website:

https://it.cborg.info/EPE2021/

- Login with the account of the person who will be responsible for the booth (or make a new account if this person has no account yet)
- Click on "Register"
- Click on "Exhibitor"
- Follow the procedure to order your booth and eventual additional orders

• Whova platform

As last year, EPE'21 ECCE Europe will again use the Whova platform for the conference and the exhibition. Whova has upgraded their platform and we will give you the opportunity to fully use all the possibilities of the platform. Please find hereunder a link to a Whova tutorial on Youtube.

For all your questions about the Whova platform, please contact:

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Whova tutorial

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Vendor Sessions

The exhibitors have the opportunity to highlight their latest developments and solutions at the vendor sessions. They present a unique and much appreciated venue for raising the company's profile and new developments, products and services.

The vendor session can be ordered as <u>an additional order</u> to the virtual booth. The speaking time within the session is 15 minutes maximum, including questions. You will have the opportunity to show a PowerPoint presentation (10 minutes maximum).

Sponsorship opportunities

Companies or organisations are welcome to sponsor the conference. A custom-made visibility package can be set up on request by email.

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