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Editorial | Uvodnik

Last year we celebrated twenty five years, a quarter of century, of the MDEM Society – Society of Microelectronics, Electronic Components and Materials. There are two activities of our society that made it non-erasable in the history: the MDEM conferences, 3-day international conferences taking place every September at different locations across picturesque Slovenia and the journal *Informacije MDEM* – Journal of Microelectronics, Electronic Components and Materials. Both conference total number (48th in 2012) and journal volume number (42th in 2012) exceed the quarter-centennial history of our society, since we have ancestors in SSOSD (Federal Professional Committee of Electronic Components at ETAN (Yugoslav Association of Electronics, Telecommunication, Automation and Nuclear Engineering. The SSOSD Committee started to inform its members by publishing the newsletter called »*Informacije SSOSD*« in August 1969. In October 1977 the committee has been renamed to a section of ETAN as SSESD (Professional Section for Electronic Components, Microelectronics and Materials), which continued to publish »*Informacije SSESD*« until January 1986. In 1986 a new society was born, MDEM (Strokovno društvo za mikroelektroniko, elektronske sestavne dele in materiale), registered in Ljubljana on 23 April 1986 as the first yugoslav profesional society related to Microelectronics, Electronic Components and Materials. It took over the destiny and continuation of the newsletter with scientific and professional articles under the name »*Informacije MDEM*« (ISSN 0352-9045). In 1987 Dr. Iztok Šorli became its Editor-in-Chief and thanks to him and members of Editorial Board the »*Informacije MDEM*« evolved into scientific-professional journal with peer review articles. Based on high scientific quality and professional publishing process our journal has been accepted on the list of SCIE journals. The first impact factor by JCR (Journal Citation Reports) was 0,088 in 1998. Dr. Iztok Šorli has not been only successful Editor-in-Chief, but also excellent Technical Editor for 25 years. In recognition to his merits and distinguished contribution the Society MDEM awarded him with a prize at the MDEM Academy on occasion of 25th Anniversary of the MDEM Society in May 2011. On behalf of all former Editorial Board Members, all reviewers and authors I would express our sincere gratitude and admiration for his tremendous work, great effort and devotion. Although he stepped down from EiC position, he stays in the Advisory Board of our journal. In the last six months we have renewed both the journal's International Advisory Board and Editorial Board. The renewed Editorial Board has five associate editors responsible for fields of Technology & Materials, Electronics (including Microelectronics), Sensors & Actuators, Power Engineering and Communications. Our Editorial Board has been expanded with distinguished researchers from Europe who will together with associate editors assure fair peer review process of increasing number of original scientific manuscripts. Scientists and professionals are also invited to submit review manuscripts related to the journal scope or any important news relevant to above mentioned fields to be considered for publication.

Informacije MDEM also celebrated in 2011 its 25th anniversary of the journal design that called for renewal. I sincerely hope you like the new outlook and design.

For me personally, this is the first Editorial which I have the honour to write. I have served as Editorial Board Member for 10 years and I believe *Informacije MDEM* is in very good health and spirit, and we can look forward to its prosperous future. I envision the role of the whole Editorial Board as the unique opportunity to work with so many highly dedicated authors and reviewers for benefit of our readers and community with one common goal: advancing science and engineering!

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