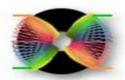


Happy 35th Anniversary to APEC & PSMA





A forum for discussing common concerns to the power sources industry, for the benefit of manufacturers, suppliers and users alike.



Magnetics



Lead-Free



Safety



Energy Efficiency



Semiconductor



Manufacturing



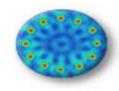
Alternative Energy



Packaging



Education



Nanotechnology



Power Technology Roadmap



Capacitor



Energy Harvesting





History Lesson: One Door Closes, Another Opens

The demise of the Power Concepts, Inc. International Power Electronics Conference (1975-1984), better known as POWERCON, leaves the power electronics industry without a conference focused on the working engineer.

The IEEE Power Electronics Specialists Conference (PESC) is in existence but is oriented more towards publishing advanced research rather than solving the problems of the day.







A New Conference is Born

The IEEE Power Electronics Society (PELS), fills the void and creates the Applied Power Electronics Conference and Exposition - thanks to the "Gang of 8."



The "Gang of Eight"

Bill Hazen (Prime Computer) Marty Schlecht (MIT)

Don Drinkwater (DEC) **Jack Wright** (GE)

Phil Hower (Unitrode) Trey Burns (Data General)

Jonathan Wood (Data General) John Kassakian (MIT)

The first APEC is held in April of 1986, only nine months after the concept was first proposed!





Planning: Six Key Elements of APEC

- 1. Technical papers in 10-15 sessions
- 2. An exhibition by vendors
- 3. Professional advancement seminars
- 4. Vendors' seminars in evening (no conflict)
- 5. Special awards luncheon
- 6. Industry sponsored cocktail party

These foundational elements have lasted for 35 years

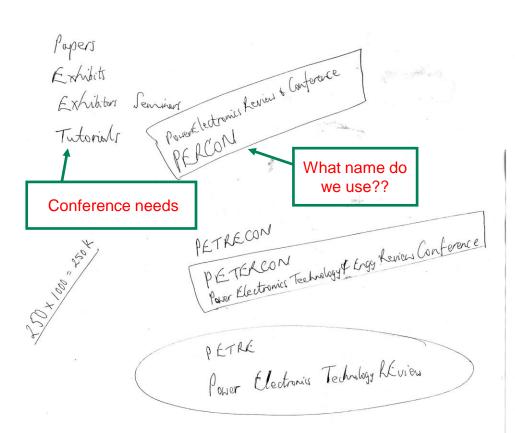


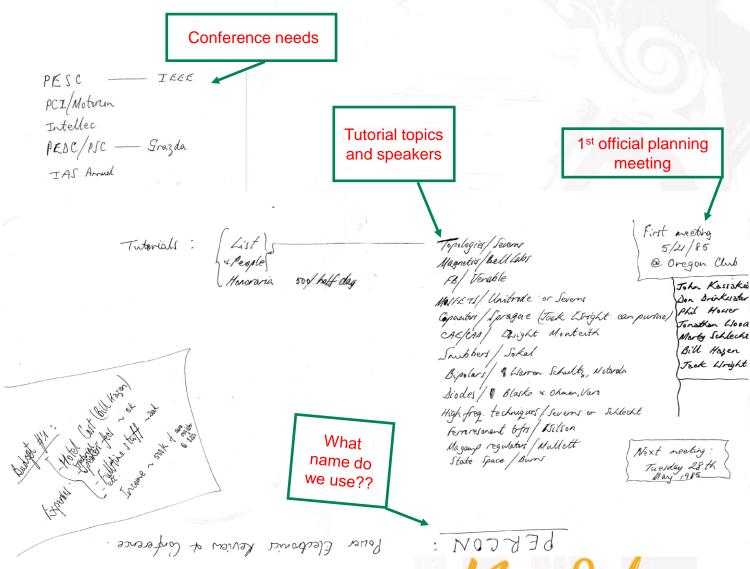
Site of First APEC Planning Committee Meeting: May 21, 1985





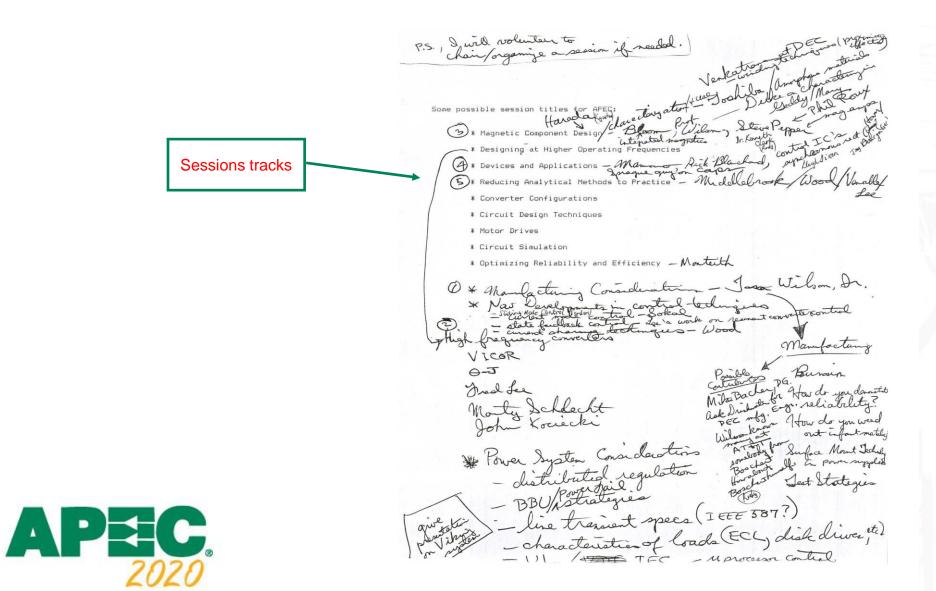
Planning the First APEC







Planning the First Educational Sessions





Creating a Lasting Brand



The logo has lasted 35 years. Big thanks to Dina Goldberg - she got it right!

Jonathan Wood (Data General)

John Kassakian (MIT)



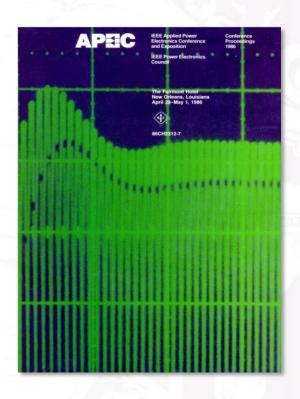


The First APEC

The first APEC was held in April of 1986, nine months after the concept was first proposed. There were 250 attendees and 20 Exhibitors.

First Exhibitors

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D AMPEREX (PHILLIPS)
D ANALOG DESIGN TOOLS
D BLOOM ASSOCIATES
D CERAMIC MAGNETICS
D COLLMER SEMICONDUCTORS INC - FUJI ELECTRIC
DARNELL RESEARCH INC. (POWER TECHNETICS MAGAZINE)
D INSTRUMENTS INC.
D INTEGRATED POWER SEMICONDUCTORS
D INTUSOFT
MAGNETICS INC. (SPANG & COMPANY)
D MOTOROLA
NATIONAL MAGNETICS CORP
POWEREX
SANREX
SIGNETICS
SILICON GENERAL
D TOSHIBA
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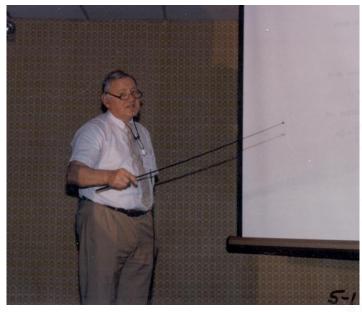






First Presenters







Phil Hower Alex Kusko Rudy Severns





APEC Pioneers

Dave and Val Middlebrook



Jonathan Wood







John Kassakian Joe Perkinson Jeff Shepherd





First Attendee Social (All 250 Attendees)







Pioneer Exhibitor



Dean Venable





A Conference Grows

In 1989, the IEEE Industry Applications Society (IAS) Annual Meeting is overwhelmed with paper submissions. IAS approaches PELS about cosponsoring APEC. Both PELS and IAS agree this is a better idea than starting another conference.



At APEC '90, Power Sources Manufacturers Association (PSMA) approaches APEC. PSMA had been sponsoring its own conference, the Power Electronics Conference (PEC). PSMA proposes that APEC and PEC merge. Since PSMA members are mainly industry companies, it seems like a good fit.







A Conference Grows: Planning Meetings





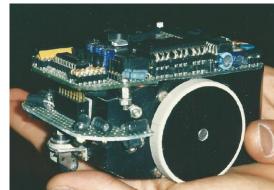


A Conference Grows: Sponsors Dinners



A Conference Grows: Micromouse Races







COURTESY OF JAMES BULLOCK TALK OF THE WEEK: Researcher James Bullock of Harvard University's Center for Astrophysics will talk about "Cosmology and the Milky Way" on Tuesday at 4 p.m., Room 1114, Natural Sciences I, University of Cali-

Local 2 | Monday, Feb. 23, 2004



Annual MicroMouse engineering competition to be held at the Disneyland Hotel.





Harjit Singh, above, picks uc cro-mouse" named Zeetah I The micro-mouse at left was by students from Singapore ner was MITEE Mouse, an en David Otten from the Massac





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A Conference Grows



MARCH 15-19, 2020



1985 – 2020: Growing in the Right Direction









New Orleans
MARCH 15-19, 2020

Conference Then & Now: APEC 1986 – 1st Conference Committee

Chairman, John Kassakian

Program, Dave Middlebrook & Alex Kusko

Publicity, Tom Wilson, Jr. & Lloyd Dixon

Exhibits, Rudy Severns

Finance, Jonathan Wood

Sponsor Dunning, Bill Hazen





Conference Then & Now: APEC 2020 - 35th Conference Committee

General Chair José A. Cobos Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, PELS

Program Chair Conor Quinn Artesyn Embedded Power, an Advanced Energy Company, PSMA

Assistant Program Chair Omer C. Onar Oak Ridge National Laboratory
Steering Committee Chair Ernie Parker Crane Aerospace & Electronics
Plenary Session Chair, Seminar Co-Chair Aung Thet Tu Infineon Technologies, PSMA

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Exposition Co-Chair Kevin Parmenter Taiwan Semiconductor

Exposition Co-Chair Van Niemela Planning Committee

Seminar Co-Chair Jin Wang The Ohio State University
Industry Session Co-Chair Tony O'Gorman PSEC, Inc.

Industry Session Co-Chair Tim McDonald Infineon Technologies

Industry Session Co-Chair Seana McNeal AFRL

Finance Co-Chair Mark Nelms Auburn University
Finance Co-Chair John Vigars Allegro MicroSystems
Rap Sessions Co-Chair Ali Khajehoddin University of Alberta
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Publications Chair Siamak Abedinpour Dialog Semiconductor, Inc., IAS
MicroMouse Chair David Otten Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Spousal Hospitality Chair Jane Wilson

Member at Large Eric Persson Infineon, PSMA

Many Co-Chairs – To help each other with the growth

More activities like RAP Sessions, Grants, Micro Mouse, etc.





Conference Then & Now: APEC 2020 - Supporting Groups

Steering Committee Chair	Ernie Parker	Crane Aerospace & Electronics
Steering Committee	Jonathan Kimball	Missouri University of Science & Technology
Steering Committee	José A. Cobos	Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, PELS
Steering Committee	Babak Fahimi	
Steering Committee	Conor Quinn	Artysyn Embedded Technologies
Steering Committee	Siamak Abedinpour	Dialog Semiconductor Inc.
Steering Committee	Eric Persson	Infineon
Steering Committee	Aung Thet Tu	Infineon
Steering Committee	Russell Spyker	United States Air Force

The Steering Committee keeps past Conference Chairs involved

Speaker Management Julie Ferry **SmithBucklin** Event Director Francesca Malin **SmithBucklin** Tradeshow Management **Ingrid Qualls SmithBucklin** IT Director Rod Stiegman **SmithBucklin** Meeting Logistics Tara Gray SmithBucklin Abstracts Management Tom Wehner **Epapers LLC**

Conference Management has been a great addition to the team and is very involved with APEC's growth





Conference Then & Now: Change Over the Years

CONFERENCE AREA	1986	2019	Increase
PAPERS PRESENTED	34	555	1532%
TECHNICAL SESSIONS	6	81	1250%
PROFESSIONAL SEMINARS	7	18	157%
EXHIBITORS	20	305	1352%
ATTENDEES	250	5932	2272%
PROCEEDINGS WEIGHT	1.5 lbs	0.5 oz - USB	

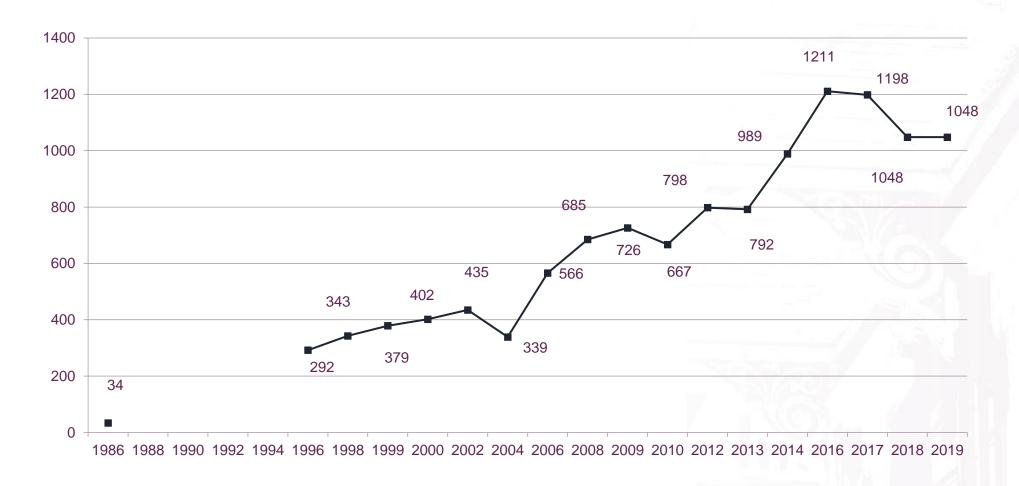
Proceedings weighed about 6 pound before the switch to USB







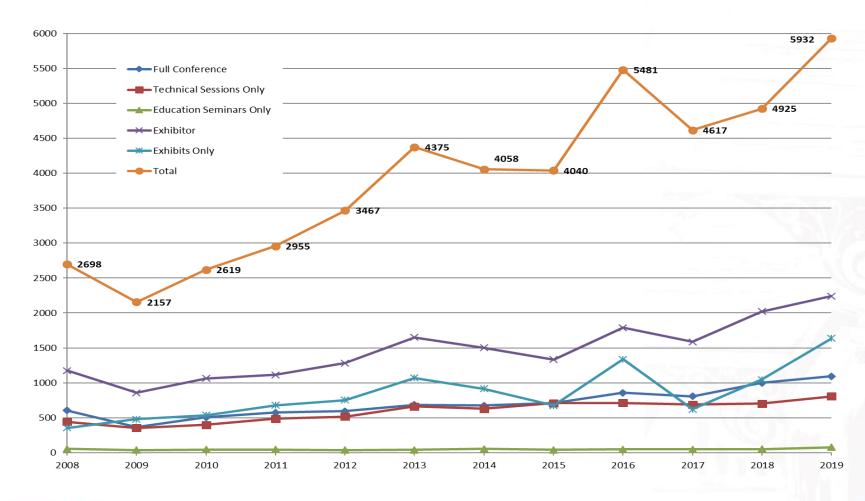
Conference Then & Now: Submitted Papers 1986–2019







Conference Then & Now: Attendee Registrations 2008–2019







Conference Then & Now: Location and Attendance 2008–2019

Year	Full Conference	Technical Sessions Only	Education Seminars Only	Exhibitor	Exhibits Only	Total	State
2008	603	441	54	1175	356	2698	TX
2009	364	356	36	858	481	2157	DC
2010	508	398	45	1063	536	2619	CA
2011	573	486	44	1115	679	2955	TX
2012	595	516	38	1282	753	3467	FL
2013	686	661	42	1652	1069	4375	CA
2014	674	628	55	1503	915	4058	TX
2015	709	709	40	1332	676	4040	NC
2016	858	714	48	1789	1337	5481	CA
2017	808	690	49	1588	620	4617	FL
2018	1000	702	51	2023	1048	4925	TX
2019	1093	807	78	2241	1638	5932	CA

California draws a lot of Exhibits Only walk-ins





Support from Government Officials

Two of many letters received throughout the years, from Mayors, Governors and even Presidents.

15 years ago in California, a message from the "Governator," and 20 years ago from then Texas Governor George W. Bush.



GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

February 22, 2004

Applied Power Electronics Conference and Exposition

I am pleased to extend greetings to those who have gathered for the 2004 IEEE Applied Power Electronics Conference and Exposition.

The Golden State is honored to host events that symbolize the strength and ingenuity of our great country, and your conference represents one of the largest gatherings of academics, representatives, and manufacturers of industrial, commercial and military electronic systems.

California is a leader in technology and science, and I commend the valuable contributions of the engineers, authors and electronic professionals whose discoveries improve our lives and build a pathway to the future.

Please accept my best wishes for a successful conference and a pleasant stay in California.

Sincerely

Arnold Schwarzenegger



February 18, 1999

GEORGE W. BUSI

Greetings to.

Welcome to Dallas for the 14th annual Applied Power Electronics Conference and Exposition. This March 14-18 meeting provides a great opportunity to visit with fellow professionals and explore new developments in your dynamic industry.

Your annual conference offers an important forum for free exchange of technology information between engineers, academics and manufacturing professionals throughout the world. As a national technical professional society, your knowledge and skills in developing industrial, commercial and military electronic systems have the potential to enhance the quality of life for millions of people. I commend you for your commitment to your profession and for encouraging students and young professionals by providing mentors and education seminars.

I know you will enjoy Dallas. From the historic West End district and outstanding art museums to fine restaurants and entertainment, it offers something for everyone. I'm confident the Metroplex will show you our famous, warm Texas hospitality.

Laura joins me in sending best wishes for a successful meeting.



GEORGE W. BUSH





The Future – Why APEC?

APEC is the best power electronics exposition

APEC has the best professional development courses taught by world-class experts

APEC has highest quality presentations of peer-reviewed technical papers covering a wide range of topics

APEC is a time to network and enjoy the company of fellow power electronics professionals in a beautiful setting

APEC has the support 3 strong sponsors: PELS, IAS & PSMA

APEC has grown and will continue to grow because ...





Volunteers like us are ...

- Professional
- Results Driven
- Accountable
- Passionate
- Energy Champions
- Flexible
- Creative
- Team-oriented
- Trustworthy
- Reliable
- Committed



From the "Gang of 8" to the hundreds that followed ...

Volunteers have made APEC so successful!





Some Past Volunteer Leaders





New Orleans MARCH 15-19, 2020

Past Chairs – Thank You for Your Leadership

1986	Fairmont Hotel - New Orleans, Louisiana	April 28 – May 1	John G. Kassakian
1987	Town and Country Hotel - San Diego, California	March 2 - 6	John G. Kassakian
1988	Fairmont Hotel - New Orleans, Louisiana	February 1 – 5	William W. Burns, III
1989	Baltimore Convention Center - Baltimore, Maryland	March 13 – 17	William W. Burns, III
1990	Biltmore Hotel - Los Angeles, California	March 11 – 16	Robert V. White
1991	Hyatt Regency Reunion Hotel - Dallas, Texas	March 10 – 15	Charles Harm
1992	Weston Copley Plaza Hotel - Boston, Massachusetts	February 23 – 27	Thomas M. Jahns
1993	Town and Country Hotel - San Diego, California	March 7 – 11	Kevin J. Fellhowlter
1994	Disney Contemporary Hotel - Orlando, Florida	February 13 – 17	Douglas McIlvoy
1995	Hyatt Regency Reunion Hotel - Dallas, Texas	March 5 – 9	Thomas Latos
1996	Fairmont Hotel - San Jose, California	March 3 – 7	Charles E. Mullett
1997	Weston Peachtree Hotel - Atlanta, Georgia	February 23 – 27	Thomas G. Wilson, Jr





Past Chairs – Thank You for Your Leadership

1998	Disneyland Hotel - Anaheim, California	February 15 – 19	David Torrey
1999	Adams' Mark Hotel - Dallas, Texas	March 14 – 18	F. Don Tan
2000	Fairmont Hotel - New Orleans, Louisiana	February 6 – 10	Robert V. White
2001	Disneyland Hotel - Anaheim, California	March 4 – 8	R. Mark Nelms
2002	Adams' Mark Hotel - Dallas, Texas	March 10 – 14	V. Joseph Thottuvelil
2003	Fontainebleau Hotel - Miami Beach, Florida	February 9 – 13	Bruce Miller
2004	Disneyland Hotel - Anaheim, California	February 22 – 26	Jim Kokernak
2005	Hilton Austin - Austin, Texas	March 6 – 10	Jason Lai
2006	Hyatt Regency Hotel - Dallas, Texas	February 19 - 23	Van Niemela
2007	Disneyland Hotel - Anaheim, California	February 25 – March 1	Russ Spyker
2008	Austin Convention Center - Austin, Texas	February 24 - 28	Steve Pekarek
2009	Marriott Wardman Park - Washington, DC	February 15 - 19	Kevin Parmenter



General Chairs normally volunteer at least 10 years of their time - many serving much more than that.



Past Chairs – Thank You for Your Leadership

2010	Palm Springs Convention Center - Palm Springs, California	February 21 - 25	Babak Fahimi
2011	Fort Worth Convention Center - Fort Worth, Texas	March 6 - 10	Patrick Chapman
2012	Disney's Coronado Springs Resort - Orlando, Florida	February 5 – 9	Frank Cirolia
2013	Long Beach Convention Center - Long Beach, California	March 17 – 21	Siamak Abedinpour
2014	Fort Worth Convention Center - Fort Worth, TX	March 16 – 20	Haidong Yu
2015	Charlotte Convention Center - Charlotte, North Carolina	March 15 – 19	Aung Thet Tu
2016	Long Beach Convention Center - Long Beach, California	March 20 – 24	Alireza Khaligh
2017	Tampa Convention Center - Tampa, Florida	March 26 – 30	Jonathan Kimball
2018	Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center - San Antonio, Texas	March 4 – 8	Eric Persson
2019	Anaheim Convention Center - Anaheim, California	March 17 – 21	Ernie Parker
2020	New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, Louisiana	March 15 – 19	José A. Cobos
2021	Phoenix Convention Center - Phoenix, Arizona	February 25 – March 1	Conor Quinn (Future Chair)





Finally, from all the attendees to all the volunteers ...





Enjoy the week ahead. Learn, teach, network and have fun!



