

European Photonics Industry Consortium Forms Partnership with IEEE Photonics Society

The IEEE Photonics Society, a vital part of the world’s largest technical professional organization dedicated to advancing technology for the benefit of humanity, and the European Photonics Industry Consortium (EPIC), a membership-led, not-for-profit industry association that promotes the sustainable development of organizations working in the field of photonics, have announced that their associations have entered into a multi-year agreement to promote joint activities, cross-disciplinary technical dissemination and cooperative programs between membership bodies.

Resulting from the Societies’ agreement, both organizations seek to enhance engineers, physicists, scientists, industry professionals, and students access to industry-relevant training and continuing education opportunities in the related fields of the organizations’ scopes, ranging from LED Lighting, Photovoltaic Solar Energy, Photonics Integrated Circuits, Optical Components to Lasers, Sensors, Imaging, Displays, Projectors, Optic Fibers, and other photonic related technologies.

avenues for local and international engagement with innovators the field and the next generation of photonics engineers and scientists of tomorrow. The partnership will facilitate collaboration across the IEEE, launch initiatives, and recommendations for the development of products and services that meet the needs of industry.

“The IEEE Photonic Society’s partnership with EPIC is a fantastic opportunity to work collectively to advance the missions of both organizations. It will directly support the efforts of the Society’s Industry Engagement Committee to develop programs and activities that enhance the experience and engagement of Photonics Society members and the wider community working in industry.”

*- Dalma Novak,
IEEE Technical Activities
Division X Director &
IEEE Photonics Society
Industry Engagement
Committee Chair*

“EPIC being the largest photonics industry association in the world, I am very much looking forward to partnering with the most important academic knowledge base in the world of Photonics. Together we will be able to achieve great things to the benefit of the Photonics community!”

*- Carlos Lee,
Director General at EPIC –
European Photonics
Industry Consortium*

The Society’s Industry Engagement Committee, led by Novak, will directly steer services between the parties’ agreement as well as encourage entrepreneurship initiatives and increase the elevation of industry members within relevant IEEE leadership positions.

Both parties will collaborate where possible to increase the endorsement of technology standards, roadmaps, information exchange, and community support of technician and trade development initiatives.

EPIC offers a vibrant photonics ecosystem and strong network acting as a catalyst and facilitator for technological and commercial advancement throughout Europe. The IEEE Photonics Society will benefit from EPIC’s relationship with start-ups, SMEs, large companies, research organizations and other stakeholders that accelerate technological advancements and reach emerging photonics markets.

The IEEE will provide EPIC’s members access to highly cited publications, conferences, academics, and eligibility for annual awards contributing to advancements in technology. There are over 400,000 IEEE members in over 160 countries, more than 60 percent of whom are from outside the United States. As 1 of 39 technical Societies of the IEEE, the IEEE Photonics Society will provide

“I can’t be more excited about working with the IEEE Photonics Society. Together we can boost innovation, by connecting academic knowledge with industrial unmet needs. This will result in industrial early adopters having quick access to leading R&D lines, and young entrepreneurs finding a direct link with their investors, customers and suppliers.”

*- Jose Pozo,
Director of Technology & Innovation of EPIC—
European Photonics Industry Consortium—
and member of the
IEEE Industry Engagement Committee
& board of the IEEE Photonics Society Benelux*

About European Photonics Industry Consortium

European Photonics Industry Consortium (EPIC) is the world-leading industry association that promotes the sustainable development of organizations working in the field of photonics in Europe.

EPIC fosters a vibrant photonics ecosystem by maintaining a strong network and acting as a catalyst and facilitator for technological and commercial advancement. EPIC publishes market and technology reports, organizes technical workshops and B2B roundtables, supports EU funding proposals, advocacy and lobbying, education and training activities, standards and roadmaps, pavilions at exhibitions.

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About IEEE Photonics Society

The IEEE Photonics Society is the professional home for a global network of scientists, engineers and allied professionals who advance laser, optoelectronics, and photonics technology.

As a technical society representing the IEEE, it is a vital part of the world's largest technical professional organization of more than 400,000 members dedicated to advancing technology for the benefit of humanity.

Through its highly cited publications, conferences, technology standards, educational activities, and humanitarian initiatives, the IEEE Photonics Society provides its members in more than 160 countries the opportunity to grow professionally and stay on the forefront of transformational breakthroughs in photonics.

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