

CEDA EC Meeting

April 16, 2021 | 9:00 – 10:00 am CST

Attendees: Yao-Wen Chang, David Atienza, Agnieszka Dubaj, Tsung-Yi Ho, Subhasish Mitra, Luca Fanucci, Luis Miguel Silveira, Vasilis Pavlidis, Dennis Brophy, Enrico Macii, Qi Zhu, Atsushi Takahashi

Staff: Brooke Johnson, Amanda Osborn

Yao-Wen called the meeting to order at 9:04 am CST.

MOTION: It is moved to approve the March 2021 EC meeting minutes as written. Motion passed.

Presidents Update (Yao-Wen)

The Bylaws and Constitution were approved on March 22. The Ernest S. Kuh Early Career Award nomination deadline was extended to August 1.

DAC 2021 Updates (David)

The DAC Winter EC meeting was held on March 24-25. DAC was rescheduled to December 5-9 in San Francisco, CA, USA. A hybrid format was discussed with the virtual sessions being held the same week as the in-person event.

Several keynote speakers have been secured with a few additions being discussed. RISC-V will be co-located with DAC. As of April 16, there are 49 research paper sessions, 215 papers, 6 parallel sessions and a special session track.

Follow-up items include: Develop a DAC 2021 Blog/Vlog; send CEDA awards info to DAC organizers; and additional support for financially strained programs at DAC.

ACTION ITEM: Brooke and Subhasish to send DAC organizers which awards will be presented at DAC in December.

July EC Meeting Schedule

The July meeting will be a regular-scheduled monthly EC meeting via Zoom on July 16 at 10 AM EDT. Details will be sent via email.

Job Postings (Vasilis and Amanda)

A discussion was held regarding the management and upkeep of the [job page](#) on website. It was decided that the postings would be removed and would be linked to the [IEEE Job Site](#).

SCRC Review (Yao-Wen)

Initial VP reports are due to Yao-Wen and Brooke by April 21 for compilation and final review. Gi-Joon will review content and send comments if additional edits are required. The final report is due to IEEE by May 21.

[ACTION ITEM: Amanda to provide joint chapter list for Tsung-Yi's SCRC review.](#)

Conference Portfolio Review (Luca/Amanda)

A sample of topics for discussion was sent by IEEE. Topics are due by April 23.

[ACTION ITEM: Luca to select five topics for the conference portfolio review and send to Amanda/Brooke for IEEE.](#)

Awards Update (Subhasish)

A discussion was held on a lack of diversity and representation with CEDA's awards nominations and recipients with emphasis on gender and geographical representation. It was suggested to create a joint nomination committee between CEDA/ACM/SIGDA.

- The TCAD Donald O. Pederson Best Paper Award recipient was selected.
- The Richard Newton award decision was made.
- Kuh deadline was extended to August 1, however, as of April 16, the Council had received zero nominations. It was discussed how to promote the award better.
- The Kaufman HOF received two nominees.

[ACTION ITEM: Subhasish to create committee to address the lack of diversity in CEDA awards and ensure proper nominations include gender and geographical diversity.](#)

[ACTION ITEM: Amanda to work with Vasilis to promote the Kuh award.](#)

[ACTION ITEM: Amanda to email Subhashish and Georges the qualified, rollover Kuh nominations. They will contact the nominators to update the awards form.](#)

Educational Activities (Tsung-Yi)

The Virtual Distinguished Lecturer series has started. Registration numbers are low. The recordings will be made available on CEDA's website and YouTube channel.

- April 22 - Vijaykrishnan Narayanan - "Distributed Visual Analytics"
- May 20 - Yiran Chen – "An EDA Researcher's Journey into AI"
- September 23 - Sachin Sapatnekar - "Automating Analog Layout in the 21st Century"
- November - Yier Jin

The next CAD for Assurance webinars include a panel on April 19 and a speaker on May 14.

Publications Update (Miguel)

Chin Lee, TCAD Deputy EIC, asked to be relieved of role. David Atienza has been appointed to fill the position.

Very-Large Scale Integration Conference Sponsorship

CEDA was removed from the 2021 VLSI-SoC sponsorship application; however, there is a multi-year (2019-2021) MOU that has CEDA with a 25% financial sponsorship stake. The Council was not made aware of the change and it is believed to be made in error.

ACTION ITEM: Luca to contact organizers to find out why we were removed from this year's application as a sponsor.

The next EC Meeting is Friday, May 21 at 10 AM EDT.

MOTION: Dennis Brophy moves to adjourn the meeting. David Atienza seconded. Motion passed.