

Saratov/Penza Chapter played an active role in the organizing of the School: Prof. D. I. Trubetskv served as a Conference Chairman, Prof. Yu. I. Levin, Prof. Yu. P. Sharaevsky and Prof. N. M. Ryskin were key members of the Local Organizing Committee responsible for the technical and social program.

The technical program included 27 invited plenary lectures reviewing topical problems of theory, simulation and technology of vacuum tubes, high-power microwaves, vacuum microelectronics, microwave electro-dynamics, nonlinear science and its application to microwave electronics. Among them there were "Vlasov kinetic theory of many-particle systems" (P. A. Polyakov, Moscow State University), "Development of field emitters from carbon-containing materials" (G. G. Sominsky, St. Petersburg Polytechnic University), "Quasi-optical control of intense beams of microwave radiation" (M. I. Petelin, IAP RAS, Nizhny Novgorod), "Terahertz band gyrodevices" (V. L. Bratman, IAP RAS), and "Open resonators and waveguides from multilayered metamaterial" (A. P. Sukhorukov and D. O. Saparina, Moscow State University). Also, the program included 20 oral and 36 poster presentations. Total number of participants was nearly 100 from many regions of Russia (Moscow, St. Petersburg, Saratov, Tomsk, Nizhny Novgorod, Rostov, etc.), as well as guests from Belarus, Ukraine, and the USA.

Special issues of the Russian journals "Applied Nonlinear Dynamics" and "Radiophysics and Quantum Electronics" with selected papers presented at the conference will be published in 2009.

Conference webpage is <http://nonlin.sgu.ru/conf/conf.php?id=9&lang=en>

2009 SIBCON

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The Siberian Conference on Control and Communications SIBCON 2009, was held in Tomsk, Russia. It was



Plenary session of SIBCON conference

the eighth event of the IEEE Russia Siberia Section, Tomsk IEEE Chapter & Student Branch sponsored by RFBR with technical co-sponsorship by the Electron Devices Society. The conference highlighted exciting multidisciplinary areas of applications that are likely to provide modern technological challenges. The technical program was organized into invited and contributed oral paper sessions. The conference proceedings were published in a hard-copy version that was distributed at the conference.

In addition to the attraction of an outstanding technical program, most attendees were clearly enjoyed

the opportunity to view the wooden architecture of the city. The evening weather was perfect and the siteseeing tour provided an excellent opportunity to meet old and new friends. It was a special time for attendees to relax during the conference, to enjoy refreshments and to make plans for future events. Finally, we thank all authors who submitted and presented papers at the conference.

~ Tomislav Suligoj, Editor

EDS Chapter in Formation in Argentina

- by *Sergio D. Baron*

Argentina's EDS chapter (in formation) made another step towards the



Dr. J. J. Liou, this author and the audience