

IMPI's press release: IMPI signs agreement of cooperation with IEEE's Microwave Theory and Technology Society (MTT-S)



February 27, 2025 - The International Microwave Power Institute (IMPI), the leading scientific organization dedicated to connecting the global microwave and RF energy community, has entered into an Agreement of Cooperation with IEEE's Microwave Theory and Technology Society (MTT-S). IEEE MTT-S is widely regarded as the preeminent society for professionals working in the microwave and RF field. On January 19, 2025, IMPI President, Mr. John F. Mastela, and IEEE MTT-S President, Dr. Goutam Chattopadhyay, were on hand at the IEEE MTT-S AdCom Meeting, in the Sheraton Puerto Rico Resort & Casino, San Juan, Puerto Rico, for the signing ceremony.

This Agreement of Cooperation follows mutual interest in pursuing the cooperation of the Technical Societies on membership development and professional activities. Core tenants of the agreement include: encouraging both parties to have their members join each other's societies, organizing joint technical events or social meetings, promoting the societies Distinguished Speaker Series and Webinars, exploring publication opportunities and promoting each other's conferences and trade shows. In furtherance of these goals, IMPI has extended complimentary membership to IEEE MTT-S Student Members and both parties will participate in IEEE MTT-S 2025 International Microwave Symposium (<https://ims-ieee.org/>) and IMPI's 59th Annual Microwave Power Symposium (<https://impi.org/events/symposium/>).

"I look forward to establishing a deeper working relationship with the distinguished members of IEEE's MTT-S and IMPI. Together, we will work hand in hand to unlock the potential of our combined membership, knowledge and skill sets to reach our mutual objectives and goals. I'm confident this collaboration will bring great benefit not only to both Institutes but to the populations we serve," Mastela stated.

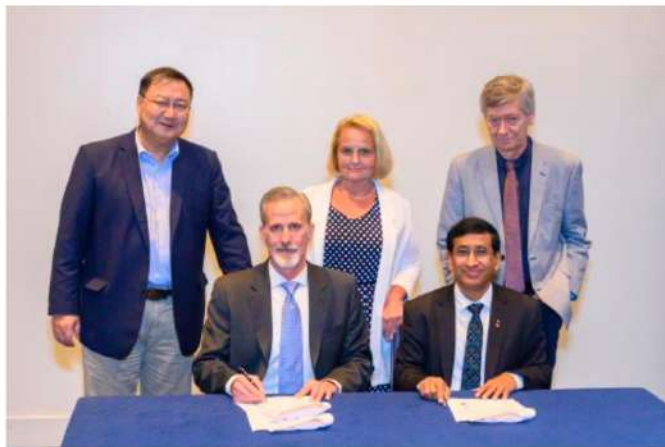
Mastela and Chattopadhyay were joined by Dr. Ke Wu, Chairman, IEEE MTT-S Inter-Society Committee; Dr. Malgorzata Celuch, IEEE MTT-S: AdCom – Elected Member 2024-2026, MarCom Chair 2025, and IMPI Corporate Member; and Dr. Vadim Yakovlev, IMPI Fellow/Board Member, IEEE Senior Member, at the signing.

In their joint statement, Celuch and Yakovlev put the Agreement in a historical context: "The earlier activities aiming to build a bridge between IMPI and IEEE MTT-S can be traced back to the 1970s. These works were led by Dr. John Osepchuk (1927-2024), the legendary figure and Fellow of both societies, and culminated in the Joint Workshop by the MTT-S and IMPI in San Francisco in May 1984.

Reviving that tradition, we were organizers of two microwave-power workshops at the IEEE MTT-S International Microwave Symposia (IMS) in Boston (2009) and San Diego (2023); in the last endeavor, we worked together with Dr. Zoya Popovic, IEEE Fellow. The Workshops were very successful and resulted in formation (in 2010) and renewal (in 2024) of the IMS Technical Area embracing non-communications microwave technologies and material properties. We deeply regret that John Osepchuk did not see the path

towards formalizing the collaboration between the two societies completed as he passed away just two months before the Agreement was signed. The MoU indeed signifies the creation of a long overdue framework for more productive cooperation of the professionals from both closely allied communities.”

For additional information on IMPI (<https://impi.org/>) and the IEE MTT-S (<https://mtt.org/>), please visit their respective websites.



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