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Editor's Note

Dear readers,

I have the pleasure to present you the first issue of Microwave Review in 2012. In this issue you can find five papers. In the first paper, the authors from the Birla Institute of Technology, India, present a new miniaturized dominant mode leaky-wave antenna based on microstrip technology using balanced composite right left handed transmission lines approach. The authors of the next paper, who are with the KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, India and the Jadavpur University, Calcutta, India, propose an application of the differential evolution algorithm to design a microstrip antenna loaded with a shorting pin. The designed antenna is fabricated and the measured results are compared with the theoretical results. Results of a theoretical investigation on an array of dual tuned staggered dipole apertures by the method of moment, as well as their comparison with the experimental results, are presented in the paper written by a group of authors from the University of Kalyani, India. In the fourth scientific paper, the authors coming from the University of Niš, Serbia, give an overview of the latest findings on the health risks of excessive mobile phone use.

The fifth paper, written by the authors from the University of Niš, Serbia, is devoted to the work of Aleksandar Marinčić, professor and academician, one of the pionieers in the microwaves in Serbia, who passed away in 2011. Prof. Marinčić was one of the founders of national Society for microwave technique, technologies and systems and the first chair of Yugoslav (now Serbia and Montenegro) IEEE MTT-S chapter. He was a member of the Microwave Review editorial board since the journal establishment and very actively participated in the manuscript review process. Prof. Marinčić was the director of Nikola Tesla museum in Belgrade and devoted a lot of his time to popularizing and presenting Tesla's work. He was not only an excellent engineer and scientist but also a man with a big heart, full of love and understanding for his family, friends, colleagues and students. All of us who knew Prof. Marinčić will keep the best memories of him and will be always proud that we knew a person as he was.

The papers are followed by a report on the XLVII International Scientific Conference on Information, Communication and Energy Systems and Technologies - ICEST 2012 held in June 2012 in Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria.

At the end of this issue you can find the First Call for for the IEEE co-sponsored 11th International Conference on Telecommunications in Modern Satellite, Cable and Broadcasting Services conference - TELSIKS 2012, organized by the Faculty of Electronic Engineering Niš and the national Society for Microwave, Technique, Technologies and Systems which will be held in October 2013.

I would like to thank all contributors and I'm inviting you and your colleagues to submit manuscripts for possible publishing in the forthcoming issues of Microwave Review.

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