ED Japan
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On February 4, 2013, the annual meeting of the ED Japan Chapter was held at the University of Tokyo. Prof. Akira Toriumi, the Chapter Chair, reported on 2012 activities and plans for the new year. The 2012 ED Japan Chapter Student Award was also presented to 5 students who made excellent presentations at the IEDM or the Symposium on VLSI Technology. Information and photos of the award winners can be found on the chapter’s webpage; (http://www.ieee-jp.org/japancouncil/chapter/ED-15/ed15_award.htm).

After the annual meeting, the IEDM 2012 Report Session was held. Nine Japanese members of the IEDM program committee reported on summary, topics and research trends of their sub-committees. This session provided an opportunity for the attendees to understand the research trends of various areas, especially for those who were not able to attend the IEDM. More than sixty people, including some non-members, enjoyed the talks and discussions.

The executive committee meeting of the ED Japan Chapter was also held on February 4th to approve plans for 2013. In attendance were Chapter Executives: Prof. Akira Toriumi; Chair, Dr. Tohru Mogami; Vice Chair, and Prof. Koji Kita; Secretary, the nine invited guest speakers from the IEDM Report Session, as well as Prof. Hiroshi Iwai, EDS Jr. Past President, Prof. Kuniyuki Kakeshima, EDS Regional Newsletter Editor, and Dr. Atsushi Kurobe, the former IEEE Japan Council COC Chair.