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New System on Chip Design laboratory equipment presentation TEMPUS JEP_41107_2006



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Tempus SoCD Project

- The continuous progress of semiconductor technology has made it possible to implement complex systems on a single chip, which has led to new challenges in design methodologies.
- Driven by these technological forces, the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technologies (FEIT) – Skopje with support of TEMPUS JEP_41107_2006 Project has developed an interdisciplinary Master of Science Programme on System-on-Chip design, which couples hardware and embedded software design principles.
- The programme aims to provide students with competence and skills for designing, analyzing and verifying embedded systems.



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Participants

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Tempus SoCD Project Outcomes

- Curriculum creation
 - **Labs restructuring**
 - Teacher's training
 - Library inter-partner sharing
 - Pilot students exchange
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- Sustainability
 - Dissemination
 - Quality control and monitoring
 - Management of the project



Study program plan

- Developed as a one year master degree program with 60 ECTS credits
- Provide students with practical knowledge through laboratory work and practical student projects
- Developed with the awareness of the need for a cross-disciplinary educational approach, coupling microelectronics with computer science technologies.



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Study program plan (courses)

No.	Title	Semester	Credits	Classes	
1	System on chip design techniques	IX	5	2+0+2+1	
2	Integrated circuits design	IX	5	2+0+2+1	
3	Embedded computer systems software development	IX	5	2+0+2+1	
4	Compulsory non-technical course	IX	5	2+0+2+1	
5	Specialization elective course	IX	5	2+0+2+1	
6	Specialization elective course	IX	5	2+0+2+1	
7	Specialization elective course		X	5	2+0+2+1
8	Specialization elective course		X	5	2+0+2+1
9	Masters thesis		X	20	
	TOTAL			30	30

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Elective courses list



No.	Title	Semester		Credits		Classes
1	Wireless and ad hoc computer networks	IX		5		2+0+2+1
2	Contemporary methods for network analysis	IX		5		2+0+2+1
3	Digital system design using HDL	IX		5		2+0+2+1
4	System reliability	IX		5		2+0+2+1
5	Collaborative computer systems	IX		5		2+0+2+1
6	Digital electronic system design		X		5	2+0+2+1
7	Custom purpose networks		X		5	2+0+2+1
8	Cryptography		X		5	2+0+2+1
9	Process computers		X		5	2+0+2+1
10	Nanotechnology		X		5	2+0+2+1



Laboratory

- Total budget for equipment 19 870 Euros
- Goal
 - Build SoCD laboratory for computer engineering students
 - Laboratory for classes and for research



Equipment

- Server x1
- Workstations x 7
- Mobile workstations x 2
- Laptops for presentation x 2
- LCD Projector
- Printer
- Network Equipment (24x1Gpbs LAN Switch, Wireless access points, cables)



Development boards

- FPGA development boards
 - OpenSPARC Evaluation Platform x 1
 - Xilinx Spartan-3E FPGA (**1.2M gates**) x 1
 - Xilinx Spartan 3E FPGA (**250K gates**) x 2
 - Xilinx Spartan 3E FPGA (**500K gates**) x 1
 - Xilinx Virtex-II Pro (53,136 Logic Cells) Network Development System x 1
- The 8051 Trainer board x 1
- Micro .Net Development platform x 1
- ZigBee Development Kit x 1



Digital oscilloscopes

- **PicoScope 3224** 2-channels PC oscilloscope (Bandwidth 50MHz Sampling rate (repetitive) 2.5GS/s) x 1
- **PicoScope 2203** 2-channels PC oscilloscope (Bandwidth 5MHz, Sampling rate (repetitive) 1GS/s) x 1
- **PicoScope 2104** Handheld PC oscilloscope (Bandwidth 10MHz, Sampling rate (repetitive) 1GS/s) x



Sensors and peripheral modules

■ Sensors

- Temperature/Thermostat Peripheral Module x 1
- Infrared Reflective Object Sensor 4-pack x 1
- Infrared Light Detector Module x 1
- Pushbutton Peripheral Module x 1
- Video Decoder Board x 1

■ Peripheral modules

- Open Collector Peripheral Module x 1
- Four slide-switch Peripheral Module x 1
- Analog to Digital Peripheral Module x 2
- Digital to Analog Peripheral Module x 1
- GWS Servo Kit x 2
- Robotic Starter Kit x 1



Other analog and digital parts

■ Displays

- Digital Input Peripheral Module x 1
- LED Peripheral Module x 2
- Two-digit high bright seven-segment display x 2
- 16x2 character display x 5

■ Wire kits and connectors

- Digital Breadboard x 3
- Digital Wire Wrap x 3
- 32x65 hole wire wrap area x 2
- Test Point Header x 2
- Analog Parts Kit x 2
- Digital Parts Kit x 2
- Wire Kit x 3
- 6 Pin Cable Connector x 4



Conclusion

- The new master studies curriculum in System on chip design was created in Macedonia
- Completely new laboratory is created
 - Laboratory equipment can be used for teaching and small research projects