



Welcome all to the 45th Annual AAPS New England Symposium and Expo. This one day event with more than thirty technical presentations and over 50 vendors is the largest chapter held event in the world! It is all thanks to a group of dedicated volunteers that have work very hard over the past year to make this a success.

A special Thank You to Lee Levine and Dave Saums our Technical Co- Chairs for their leadership and tenacity and to Dmitry Marchenko for his help and guidance. We are offering Sessions on MEMS, Printed Electronics, RF and

Microwave, Novel Packaging, Interconnect Technology and Photonics. The session chairs have put together an outstanding collection of topics for this year's event.

We are also putting more focus on the Poster Session for this event and special thanks to Dipak Sangupta, Harvey Smith, and Dave Saums for their efforts in this area. As our floor space and technical session slots are limited a Poster is a great way to get your information out to our crowd.

Our Keynote could not be more topical, <u>Sensing Technologies for an Autonomous Tomorrow</u>! Chris Jacobs, a Vice President at Analog Devices, will present "Giving Autonomous Vehicles the Critical Senses of Sight and Felling"! My thanks to Chris and to Analog Devices for supporting our event.

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Finally, I would like to thank the Executive Committee for their work on making this symposium a success. There are untold details to putting on an event like this and it takes a small army to put it all together. From setting up the venue and registration to publishing the proceedings there is a great deal of effort that goes into this day, thank you all for your support.

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