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== ICCE Berlin 2014 Doctoral Workshop - Call for Participation ==

Dear IEEE 2014 ICCE Berlin Author,

This year's ICCE Berlin conference - as in the previous year - includes a special session for doctoral students intended to give them more feedback than usual to help improve their conference paper, presentation style and PhD strategy.

Typically a conference session is a one-way communication between the presenter and the audience, followed by a few questions which might include some feedback. The special session at ICCE Berlin 2014 will be more interactive and allow time for a dedicated mentor to provide more specific advice for improvement on the paper and presentation style, as well as broader advice on which research direction to pursue for a successful PhD.

During the course of the workshop each author is expected to prepare:

- a) a presentation for the mentor and the other workshop participants that will discuss the scope of the PhD work, its overall aim as well as non technical aspects such time schedule, major milestones etc. (there's a 10 to 15 minute time frame for the first part)
- b) as well as a short presentation of the paper of the regular track session (there's a 5 to 10 minutes time frame for the second part) in the PhD Session. After the presentations the author will receive the mentioned mentor/panel feedback regarding to other critical aspects like presentation, research and publication strategy, avoiding research dead-ends, out-of-date topics or get publication tips.

As only a limited number of places are available, students who wish to participate in the Doctoral Workshop at ICCE Berlin 2014 should communicate this before the **application deadline August 6th, 2014** to the PhD Workshop Chair Carsten Gremzow (gremzow@uni-wuppertal.de). All participants will be issued a certificate for being selected into the program. The PhD Workshop does not require additional registration fees.

Very much looking forward to your application,
Thomas Scheffler and Carsten Gremzow
Doctoral Workshop Chairs

On behalf of Francisco J. Bellido, IEEE 2014 ICCE Berlin General Chair.