


Advanced Components Co-operation for Optoelectronics R&D

ACCORD News


**ACCORD - Workshop at SPIE Photonics Europe 2010
 Wednesday 14th April in Room 201 a/b 14.00 to 16.00**

ACCORD is an experimental program under the Sixth Framework Programme of the European Union (IST-2005-2.5.1, Photonic Components), that aims to create new opportunities for both photonics companies and photonics students.

The project aims to:

For Companies: Purchase at marginal cost pre-competitive photonic devices from innovative European companies

For Researchers: Put the components in the hands of European researchers and students, at no net cost to the university or to the company that furnished the devices and

For Both: Facilitate transfer of device evaluation results to potential end-users, assisting companies to access new markets and new applications.

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The ACCORD-project will officially close at Photonics Europe 2010 with a workshop highlighting the results of the project.

However, a new project incorporating all the good features of ACCORD and adding in fresh initiatives will be revealed.

ACCORD funded 12 projects between Industry and Universities. The programme's success has been recognised by the award of a FP7 Support Action starting in mid-2010 with the target of awarding at least 12 more projects and encouraging contact between researchers and companies.

The fact that both companies and universities benefit from these programmes is illustrated in the following testimonials.

A selected Industry testimonial

As a company working in cutting edge technology, it is crucial for us that we have strong interaction with top class researchers that push the envelope of existing technologies as well as acting as first movers for establishing new technology.

A selected University testimonial

We have now experimented with the Conerefringent components in various configurations of laser layout and have produced results which we believe will introduce major improvements to laser characteristics. This is revolutionary work which we are reporting in academic papers and presenting at international conferences and which we would not have undertaken in the absence of ACCORD.

Photonics Europe invites you to join the most innovative minds in photonics, optics, lasers, and micro/nanotechnologies.

It features a conference focused on a broad range of technologies and their integration into a variety of applications and an Exhibition of 150 companies.

And while you are there hear about some of the exciting projects funded by ACCORD and news of the follow on programme at the ACCORD Workshop.

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AGENDA

14.00 – 14.30 ACCORD Project highlights and the follow on Programme, Peter Van Daele, Programme Manager

14.30 -15.00 Examples of ACCORD Projects and their Success, Miguel Llera, project Co-ordinator

15.00 – 15.30 International involvement, Marko Slusarczuk, Optoelectronics Industry Development Association

15.30 – 16.00 Roundtable discussions of prospective projects in a follow on programme,

Please visit www.ist-accord.org for more information on ACCORD and to check the programme

Photonics Europe web site is www.spie.org/x12290.xml where you will find the ACCORD Workshop under Special Forums and Events.

Please note, for those planning to attend the ACCORD workshop but not registering for the Photonics Europe Conference, you should arrive on Wednesday morning, and indicate to the onsite registration staff that you will be attending the ACCORD workshop. You will be asked to complete the registration form, but there will be no fee.

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