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*GSC'09* - The Annual Meeting of Graduate Students in Control  
Monday, April 20, 2009

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**CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

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Sponsored by IAAC – the Israeli Association for Automatic Control

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Continuing a successful tradition, we are glad to announce GSC'09 - the annual meeting of graduate students in the field of *Control and System Theory* (in the wide sense). The GSC'09 meeting will take place on Monday, April 20, 2009. We are pleased to host it this time at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, in the Mechanical Engineering Department.

As always, the meeting is intended as a platform for exchanging ideas among students and senior faculty from various departments and institutions in Israel. In more detail, the meeting provides:

- 1) A unique opportunity for graduate students to present their work and obtain feedback on it.
- 2) A chance for the students to get acquainted with Israeli faculty in their field.
- 3) A meeting place between University and Industry people, who are invited to the event, and a chance for the students to meet potential employers.
- 4) An opportunity for us, the supervisors, to learn about each other's current research interests.

This year, for the first time, we will be awarding the Velger prize for an outstanding paper, to be selected from those presented in this meeting. This prize has been established jointly by El-Op and IAAC on the name of the late Dr. Marco Velger, a distinguished member of the Israeli control community, who recently passed away. Full details of this prize can be found here: <http://iaac.technion.ac.il/newsletters/VelgerPrizeRules.doc>

The winning paper will be selected by a dedicated committee after hearing the presentations. Students who wish to be considered for this prize are encouraged to submit supporting material on the subject matter of their talk, as described below.

A time slot of 25 minutes, including questions, is allocated for each presentation. Priority will be given to research works that are in their final stages, although significant partial results may well be presented. Please provide, **by March 19**, the material requested below.

We would appreciate your help in spreading this call to relevant faculty who may not be on our list - especially newcomers and researchers with related interests.

The success of the event obviously depends on the participation of both the students and the faculty members, and we hope that you and your students will be able to join us.

We look forward to receive your contributions!

GSC'09 organizer  
Daniel Choukroun

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To be returned by **March 19** by e-mail: [danielch@bgu.ac.il](mailto:danielch@bgu.ac.il) ( PDF, postscript or Word)

- Student Name and Affiliation [Department and Institution]
- Studying towards degree: [M.Sc./Ph.D.] and Expected Graduation Date
- Thesis Supervisor
- Title and Abstract of the talk [up to one page]
- **Velger prize:** In addition to the above, send either an extended abstract of up to three pages, or a scientific paper (limited in length to a regular conference or journal paper: no theses please).