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Anastasios E. Politis, Chairman of the IC

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53rd IC conference in Greenville, SC. - Clemson University, USA

Dear colleagues and friends, members of the IC

The 53rd IC conference took place in the city of Greenville, South Carolina, USA. It was organized by the Graphic Communications Department of Clemson University. The IC conference has been jointly organized once more together with the 48th iarigai conference.



Group Photo of the iarigai-IC conference participants at Greenville / Clemson

The conference's opening was done by the IC Chairman, Prof. Dr. Anastasios Politis, followed by the keynote speaker, Prof. Kevin Howell. Prof. Howell presented the concept of the honor organizations and, in particular, the Epsilon Pi Tau International Honor Society for Professions in Technology and its contribution to technological innovation through the recognition of professional technologists.

After his presentation, Prof. Howell honored the President of iarigai and the Chairman of the IC, Gunter Huebner and Anastasios Politis, respectively, for the overall contribution of both organizations to the further development of graphic communication and print-media science, technology, and education.



Gunter Huebner and Anastasios Politis awarded by Kevin Howell, Epsilon Pi Tau honor organization

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Papers presented at the 53rd IC conference in Greenville / Clemson

During the IC part of the conference, seven papers were presented by IC members and colleagues as follows:

- Anastasios Politis, Marios Tsigonias, Gerasimos Vonitsanos, Greece: Future Print-Media Education Design: A Sector-Oriented Holistic Approach
- Giedrius Gecevičius, Daiva Sajek, Virginijus Valčiukas, Lithuania: The role of the education system, challenges and opportunities for the development of the graphic and digital media industry: case study of Lithuania
- Erica B. Walker, USA: The use of online tools for time-flexible critique and reflection in a Graphic Communications class
- John R. Craft, USA: Design and Technology: Mind the Gap
- Amanda Bridges, USA: Strategies for Teaching Soft Skills in a Graphic Communications Classroom
- Enn Kerner, Estonia: Awakening the multi-disciplinary engineers' voice in the printing and packaging industry at the global level
- Kholoud Al-Ajlouni, Paul D. Fleming, Alexandra Pekarovicova, USA: Cross-linking of glucomannan-based biofilms by tartaric acid: Rheology and barrier properties of the biofilms for food packaging
- Daiva Sajek, Giedrius Gecevičius, Lithuania: Investigation of rub resistance of the conventional and UV ink layers using hybrid offset printing.

The iarigai-IC-conference participants visited Clemson University on Wednesday, 22nd September 2022. The visit started at the Sonoco Institute with a presentation by Director Chip Tonkin. Bobby Congdon and Nate Newsome gave an impressive demonstration of their newly developed simulation of Flexography using “normal” 2D web technique or virtual reality (see <https://www.clemson.edu/centers-institutes/sonoco-institute/services/virtual-reality.html>).

The visit continued with a tour at the Godfrey Hall, the home of Clemson's Graphic Communication Department.



iarigai/IC attendees visiting the Sonoco Institute at Clemson University

Congratulations on the excellent organization of iarigai-IC conferences in Greenville / Clemson are due to Nona Woolbright, Amanda Bridges, Michelle Fox, Hanna Gibson, Charles Weiss and their team.



54th IC conference, 18-20 September 2023 in Wuppertal, Germany



During the iarigai-IC conferences in Clemson, it was decided that both conferences will be jointly organized at Wuppertal University, Germany, in September 18-20, 2023. More information as well as the call for papers will be announced later this year.



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