**IEEE IMFW 2024 Ph.D. Student Initiative**

The 2024 IEEE International Microwave Filter Workshop (**IMFW 2024**, https://imfw-ieee.org/) will be held from **21 to 23 February 2024** in Cocoa Beach, Florida, U.S.A. It envisages holding several exciting student programs including the Ph.D. Student Initiative in order to grow the interest of the RF/microwave student community.

The plan of the Ph.D. Student Initiative is to invite 10-12 Ph.D. Students from universities or research institutes all over the world to attend the conference. The basic idea behind this scheme is to encourage mid-stage level doctoral candidates in RF and microwaves for filter applications, providing them exposure during the conference, so that they may carry out quality work during their Ph.D. program. The Ph.D. Student Initiative would thus be a very good opportunity to facilitate these students in transitioning to niche topics.

**The registration fee for the 10-12 selected candidates will be waived, and they will be allowed to attend all the events during the conference. The winners of the Ph.D. Student Initiative will also be offered free accommodation in Cocoa Beach (check-in: 20 February, check-out: 23 February).**

**To qualify for an award:**

* All applicants must be **IEEE MTT-S Student Members** at the time of the application submission.
* Successful applicants are expected to be present **in person** at the IMFW 2024 conference. They will also be asked to volunteer as student helpers during the conference.
* All applicants must send the **application form** to the Initiative organizer (see the e-mails below) together **with a recommendation letter by their supervisor** by the **4th January 2024**.
* **Priority** will be given to students: i) who have not attended an MTT-S sponsored conference before; ii) without any paper presented at IMFW 2024; iii) who come from different universities or research institutes.
* Past Ph.D. initiative awardees or MTT-S Fellowship/Scholarship recipients are **ineligible** to apply.
* **Deliverables**: Three reports assignment from each team: work in a team of 2~3 to present the evaluation of (a) one presented paper, (b) one poster paper and (c) one product from the exhibition.

**PhD Student Initiative Organizer:**

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