From the Editor’s Desk

You are reading a special issue of Microwave Review dedicated to professor Aleksandar Marin-ic} who celebrated his 70th birthday this year in July. Professor Marin-ic} is one of our greatest scientists in the field of optical communications and microwave technique. Before his retirement in 1998, he was a full professor at the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of Belgrade. He is a member of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts and a member of the Engineering Academy of Yugoslavia. He is the president of Yugoslav IEEE MTT Chapter, one of the founders of the Yugoslav Society for microwave technique and technologies, and a member of the Editorial Board of the Microwave Review.

His research work is very important contribution in the mentioned fields of science. But, his role in teaching and supervising young scientists and their introduction in the world of science is even more important. Also, he has done his best to lighten the work of Nikola Tesla, a genius in the field of electrical engineering.

Professor Marin-ic} has been a member of the Program Committee of the International IEEE Conference on Telecommunications in Modern Satellite, Cable, and Broadcast Services, TELSIKS, since the first Conference in 1993. Therefore, TELSIKS 2003 Conference which will be held on 1-3 October 2003 at the Faculty of Electronic Engineering in Ni{ will be the right place to organize the celebration of the 70th birthday of professor Marin-ic}.

All papers you can find in this special issue are devoted to the work of professor Marin-ic}, and will be presented at the TELSIKS 2003 Conference within one regular and one special session dedicated to this jubilee. I would like to express my gratitude to the authors of the papers who have accepted to contribute to this Celebration by their papers.

We wish long and healthy life to professor Marin-ic}.

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