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# LIMASSOL

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October 2026



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## LOCATION

Strategically located in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea, the island of Cyprus is a crossroad of three major continents; Europe, Africa and Asia.

## BLUE FLAGS

Cyprus has ranked first in Europe for the ratio of beaches that received the blue flag, with 64 beaches being awarded the title.

## LANGUAGE

Greek, but English is widely spoken

## TIME ZONE

Eastern European  
UTC+03:00

## CURRENCY

Euro (€)

## CLIMATE

Mediterranean  
25°C - 77°F  
yearly average.  
One of the benefits of being a Mediterranean island is plentiful sunshine throughout the year, and Cyprus is no exception.

## CONFERENCES

Cyprus has indeed been the host country of countless academic conferences and international events.

# International Accessibility

Cyprus provides a strategic geographic location connecting three continents, Europe, Asia, Africa with its excellent transportation and communications infrastructure.

## Visas

The Republic of Cyprus is a **full member of the European Union** from the 1st of May 2004, and the Eurozone from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January, 2008. As Cyprus is a candidate country bound to join the Schengen Area, residents of non-EU countries who hold valid multiple-entry Schengen visas must first pass through a full Schengen member territory in order to utilize the visa in Cyprus. Visas will be issued by all the Diplomatic Missions (Embassies and General Consulates) of the Republic of Cyprus, and by all the Honorary Consulates of the Republic of Cyprus abroad in their respective countries. Additionally, visas can also be issued by the British High Commissions / Embassies in many countries.

## Airports

**Larnaca International Airport (LCA)** – the island's main airport, 35 minutes from venue hotel

**Paphos International Airport (PFO)** – 50 minutes from Limassol town



Distances in Cyprus are relatively small, making transportation from one place to another a trivial issue. There are however a few things you should know in order to take advantage of both public and private transportation options. Most visitors explore Cyprus via rental car, taxi, or bus. Cypriots drive on the left and vehicles are right-hand drive. The roads throughout the island are in good condition, and signposting is very clear.



## Bus

Cyprus has a comprehensive public bus network, with extensive inner-city routes and also major city and airport connections. More information is available at <https://www.publictransport.com.mt/en/>.



## Taxi

Taxi service is available on **24/7** basis from both airports as well as in all hotels in Cyprus. A pre-booking of the service with pre-agreed prices is recommended.



## Car Rental

Participants may opt to hire a car during their stay, and thus use it for their airport transfers.



## Bicycle

Cycling is healthy, environmentally sound and fun way of travelling. In all Cyprus cities there are urban bicycle paths, as well as boulevards that incorporate bike lanes.





# Limassol

- The second largest city in Cyprus
- Located between the ancient towns of Amathus and Kourion
- Abundance of attractions and sights of interest
- Extensive accommodation options
- One of the busiest ports in the Eastern Mediterranean transportation trade
- Combination of old town with cobbled streets and cosmopolitan seafront
- Extensive nightlife, restaurants, bars and shops
- Ranks 8<sup>th</sup> in fDiMagazine's "European Cities and Regions of the Future 2018/19" shortlist in the "Small European Cities of the Future – Human Capital/Lifestyle" category!



# Venue

## St. Raphael - 5\*

The St. Raphael Resort is located on one of the most renowned and largest beaches in Limassol, only a short coastal drive from the lively center of Limassol, approximately 15km away. There are shops, restaurants and bars within walking distance and a bus stop exactly outside the hotel. The hotel has 272 rooms and suites. Within the hotel there are 8 food and beverage outlets. A variety of conference rooms offer facilities and space to cater for any type of the event. The combination of space, service and facilities provided ensure St. Raphael Resort's place as one of the leading conference hotels in Limassol, Cyprus.



30 minutes from Larnaca Airport  
50 minutes from Paphos Airport



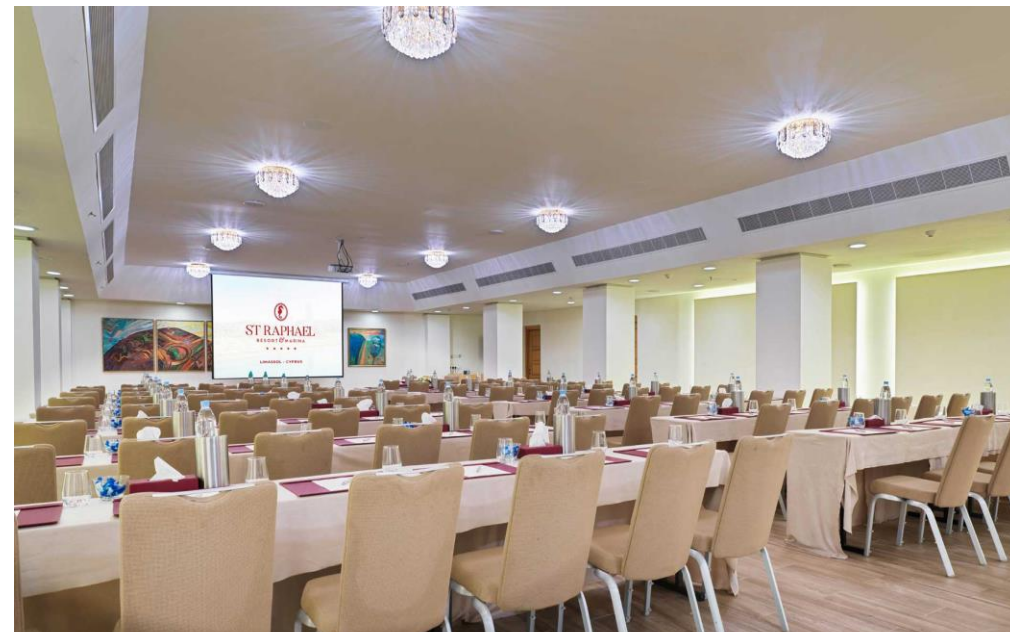
Bus 30 stops right outside St. Raphael  
and connects the hotel with the whole  
coastline of Limassol







Max single room capacity 525



Several other meeting rooms



# Overall Accommodation

- Limassol is a major tourist destination, with dozens of hotels to choose from, ranging from the low cost to 5\* luxury
- A number of more affordable options are available, such as guest houses, hotel apartments and Airbnb
- The Organizing Committee will arrange special discounted rates for delegates attending the conference





# Networking Opportunities

## Welcome Reception

The welcome cocktail will take place on the first day of the conference at the venue hotel, overlooking the blue waters of the Mediterranean sea. Participants can enjoy unlimited local drinks and ample canapés and in the meanwhile communicate with other participants.





The Conference dinner will be combined with a tour of Limassol which will lead to a local Cypriot restaurant for a traditional Cypriot dinner. This event will provide an experience of a real-life dinner that a Cypriot family would usually have on a special occasion. Along with the sumptuous selection of 'meze' platters, you will also be served local wine as well as the authentic spirit that Cyprus is globally known for: 'Zivania'. The background music will create a festive atmosphere that will give a chance to all delegates to dance and unwind from the busy conference schedule.







Kourion Amphitheater



Ancient Mosaics



Limassol Castle



Limassol's Wine Villages



# Optional Excursions and Tours

Apart from the opportunity to visit Limassol's famous attractions, delegates will be provided with optional half-day and full-day excursions, which will allow them and their accompanying persons to visit some breath-taking landmarks of Cyprus



Tombs of the Kings, Paphos



Venetian Walls, Nicosia



Salt Lake, Larnaca



Cape Greco, Ayia Napa

# Supporting the Organization

## International



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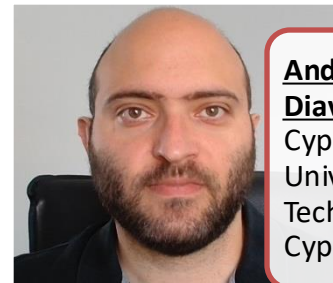
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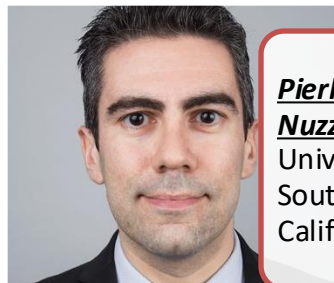
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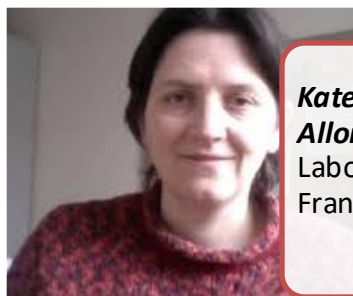
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## Bio

Giovanni De Micheli is a research scientist in electronics and computer science. He is credited for the invention of the Network on Chip design automation paradigm and for the creation of algorithms and design tools for Electronic Design Automation (EDA). He is Professor and Director of the Integrated Systems Laboratory and Scientific Director of the EcoCloud center at EPFL Lausanne, Switzerland. Previously, he was Professor of Electrical Engineering at Stanford University. He was Director of the Electrical Engineering Institute at EPFL from 2008 to 2019 and program leader of the Swiss Federal Nano-Tera.ch program. He holds a Nuclear Engineer degree (Politecnico di Milano, 1979), a M.S. and a Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (University of California at Berkeley, 1980 and 1983).

In active discussion with  
other relevant colleagues who  
can be part of this team.





# Looking forward to welcoming VLSI-SoC 2026 in...

# ...Cyprus!

## Key Dates

Abstract Deadline: **21 April 2026**  
Full Paper Deadline: **28 April 2026**  
Author Notification: **09 June 2026**  
Camera Ready: **01 July 2026**

## 34<sup>th</sup> IFIP/IEEE International Conference on Very Large-Scale Integration

**VLSI-SoC 2026**  
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Limassol, Cyprus  
[www.vlsi-soc.com](http://www.vlsi-soc.com)



**Paper Submission:** Papers should present original research and industrial results not published or submitted for publication in other forums. Electronic submission in PDF format to the EasyChair platform for VLSI-SoC 2026 is required. The proceedings will be published by IEEE and will be made available through IEEE Xplore. A selection of the conference best papers will be invited to be submitted to a special issue of the ACM Journal on Emerging Technologies in Computing Systems. Also, some conference best papers will be invited to submit an extended version to be included as chapters of a book to be published by Springer.

**Paper Format:** Papers should not exceed 4 pages + 1 page with only references (single-spaced, 2 columns, 10pt font). Submissions should be camera-ready, following the IEEE proceedings specifications.

**Paper Publication and Presenter Registration:** Papers will be accepted for regular or poster presentation at the conference. Every accepted paper **MUST** have at least one author registered (full rate) at the conference by the time the camera-ready paper is submitted; the registered author is also expected to attend the conference and present the paper. A limited number of travel grants are available to needy PhD students from emerging countries.

**PhD Forum and PhD School:** A PhD Forum with a dedicated poster session will be included in the technical program, and PhD school on design and engineering of electronics systems will be co-located with the main conference.

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### Topics of interest include (but not limited to) the following:

- Applications and Architectures for AI and ML
- Communication Architectures and Technologies
- Computing Paradigms
- Digital Circuits Design and Synthesis
- Embedded System Design
- Emerging Technologies and Applications
- Low-Power, Energy-Efficient and Thermal-Aware Design
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