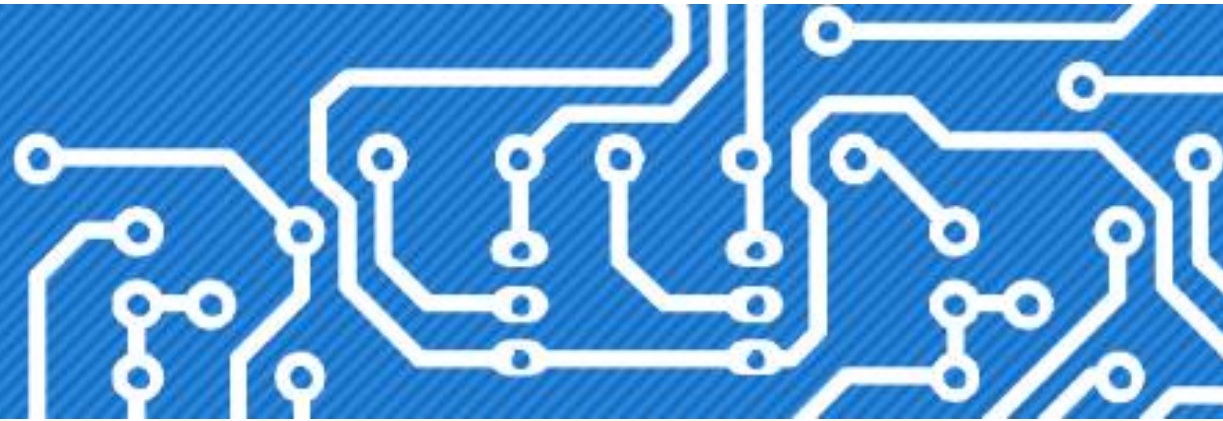


International Symposium on Physical Design



March 15-18, 2026

University Club Bonn, Bonn, Germany



ISPD 2026 Session Chair Meeting

March 5, 2026

Tung-Chieh Chen	– Technical Program Chair
Rickard Ewetz	– Publication chair
Stephan Held	– General Chair
Gracieli Posser	– Steering Committee Chair

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These chair instructions are available here: <https://ispd.cc/?page=chairs>

Agenda

- Symposium logistics and preparation before the conference
- What to do before and in your session
- Summary of the sessions
- Discussion and further questions

Symposium Logistics

- 16 sessions across 3 days (Mar. 16-18, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)
- Starts each day at 9:00am
- First session of each day is a keynote, then paper sessions.
- All presentations will be in person.
 - Later, they will be available on YouTube
- Slide PDFs will be available at www.ispd.cc/?page=program
- Papers will be available after ISPD the ACM Digital Library

Session Logistics

- **Paper sessions:**
 - Session chair introduces the session topic and themselves
 - Session chair introduces each speaker with their bio, maximum of 1 minute
 - Regular talks are 12 minutes in length, with 5 minutes for questions.
 - Budget one extra minute for transitions between speakers
 - Extra discussions related to the session topic will be at the end of the session in a panel style
- **Keynotes:** 35-40 min presentation, followed by Q&A (total 50min)
- There is no break between the keynote sessions and the following session, so the handover there needs to be quick.
 - For other sessions, there is 10-to-20-minute breaks between sessions

Preparation before the conference

- A Google Drive link will be shared with session chairs to access slide PDFs, recorded videos for the talks, and bios for the speakers in your session.
- Have you received the bios from the speakers in your session by March 5th?
 - If not, please email them & CC chen.tungchieh@gmail.com
- Review your session's talks, and have 2 to 3 questions prepared for each speaker in case the audience is slow to ask questions
- Review what is in your session, and the session chair instructions will be available here: <https://www.ispd.cc/?page=chairs>
- There's also a summary for speakers here: <https://ispd.cc/?page=speakers>

Before your session

- Join the room 10 minutes before your session starts.
- Check if all speakers are there.
- Ask the speakers to check if everything is fine with their presentations.

In your session

- Start your session on time.
- Announce the session has started, introduce yourself, and communicate the schedule.
- Invite people to ask questions after each presentation or discuss at the end of session.
- Introduce each speaker (maximum 1 minute) then ask the speaker to start.
- After the talks are done, open Q&A, and guide the questions
- Finish the session on time.

Example session opening

- Hi everybody.
- Welcome to the session on 3D IC Placement & Planning.
- My name is Tung-Chieh Chen. I'm a senior director at Synopsys and work in placement, routing, and timing optimization.
- We'll have three speakers. I will introduce each of them, followed by a 12-minute presentation of their paper and 5-minute Q&A.
- At the end, we'll have some more time for discussions.
- (Introduction for the first speaker ...)

Session Summary: www.ispd.cc/?page=chairs

#	Session Name	Session Chair	Day	Time	Format
1	Opening + First Keynote	Stephan Held	Mon	9:00 - 10:00 am	10 min intro + 40 min talk + 10 min Q&A
2	3D IC Placement & Planning	Patrick Madden	Mon	10:00 - 11:00 am	12 min talk x3 + Q&A
3	Routing for Photonics and Advanced Packaging	Rickard Ewetz	Mon	11:10 - 12:10 pm	12 min talk x3 + Q&A
4	Placement and Global Routing	Mehmet Yildiz	Mon	1:10 - 2:10 pm	12 min talk x3 + Q&A
5	Advanced Cell & Transistor-Level Design	Mark Ho	Mon	2:20 - 3:40 pm	12 min talk x4 + Q&A
6	Second Keynote	Gracieli Posser	Mon	4:00 - 4:50 pm	40 min talk + 10 min Q&A
7	Panel: Agentic AI	Bei Yu	Mon	4:50 - 6:00 pm	5 min talk x5 + 45 min discussion
8	Third Keynote	David Chinnery	Tue	9:00 - 9:50 am	40 min talk + 10 min Q&A
9	AI/LLM in Physical Design	Evangeline Young	Tue	9:50 - 10:50 pm	12 min talk x3 + Q&A
10	Advanced Synthesis: From Classical to Quantum Architectures	Pavlos Matthaiakis	Tue	11:10 - 12:30 pm	12 min talk x4 + Q&A
11	Reliability & Electromigration	Ramprasath S	Tue	1:30 - 2:30 pm	12 min talk x3 + Q&A
12	Automotive & Analog	Andreas Krinke	Tue	2:40 - 4:00 pm	12 min talk x4 + Q&A
13	Lifetime Achievement Session	Patrick Groeneveld	Tue	4:20 - 6:00 pm	20 min talk x3 + 40 min talk + 20 min Q&A
14	Fourth Keynote	Iris Hui-Ru Jiang	Wed	9:00 - 9:50 am	40 min talk + 10 min Q&A
15	Benchmarking for EDA	Ismail Bustany	Wed	9:50 - 10:50 am	12 min talk x3 + Q&A
16	Contest Summary and Results + ISPD 2027 outlook	Tung-Chieh Chen	Wed	11:10 - 12:00 pm	20 min talk + team videos 3 min x3 + 10 min Q&A + 10 min ISPD 2027 outlook

- Time available for Q&A is a rough estimate, as some talks will be a little shorter or longer than the allotted time.

Thank You!
Questions?