University Program Office Honors 20 Early Career Faculty Members with Awards

The University Program Office (UPO) is pleased to announce the 2012 Intel Early Career Faculty Honor Program (ECFHP) awardees (listed below). The ECFHP was created to help Intel connect with the best and brightest early career faculty members at the top universities around the world. Earlier this year Intel approached 33 universities to ask the department heads for faculty nominees who had less than 4-years of academic experience and who were focusing their research in areas such as circuit design, processor architecture, energy efficiency, system-on-chip, sensors, smart cities and embedded – just to name a few. All told UPO received nominations for 75 highly qualified candidates who were then asked to fill out an online application form. The answers were then reviewed and scored by various committees of Intel engineers and researchers in the US and EU. When the dust settled the committees narrowed the list down to 20 top faculty awardees.

The award itself is a cash gift from $35k to $40k that is to be used by the awardee to support their academic research and to allow them to travel to Intel in order to network and collaborate with Intel researchers. In return Intel gains access to the best and brightest early career faculty at the top universities thus bringing a constant stream of fresh thinking to the company. As part of the award each awardee is also paired up with an Intel peer collaborator to help them network within the company.

The 2012 Intel early Career Faculty Honor Program Awardees are as follows:

**US Schools**
- Purdue University: Zhihong Chen
- University of Michigan: Prabal Dutta
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: Derek Hoiem
- Portland State University: Feng Liu
- University of Pennsylvania: Rahul Mangharam
- Carnegie Mellon University: Onur Mutlu
- Georgia Institute of Technology: Moinuddin Qureshi
- UC Berkeley: Sylvia Ratnasamy
- University of Texas at Austin: Michael Walfish
- Cornell University: Hakim Weatherspoon
- MIT: Dana Weinstein

**EU Schools**
- U. Polit. de Catalunya: Esteve Amat
- Trinity College Dublin: Melanie Bourroche
- University of Bologna: Chiara Buratti
- University of Edinburgh: Christophe Dubach
- RWTH Aachen: Andrew Hu
- University of Saarland: Jan Reineke
- TU Darmstadt: Thomas Schneider
- ETH Zurich: Vanessa Wood

This program is driven by the University Programs Office (UPO) within Intel Labs. The UPO works in partnership with Intel technical leaders and subject area leaders in academe to align curriculum with key relevant technology trends to enhance student learning. In addition, the UPO fosters collaboration between top doctoral students and early career faculty with Intel researchers.

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