

■ How Smart Do You Have To Be?

The **Smart Battery Systems Developers' Conference** will be held in Kauai, Hawaii, making it an easy choice for a February conference. Running 2/1 through 2/4, the conference will cover basic SBS concepts, charging systems, interoperability, PC 98, ACPI, safety, and testing.

Admission to the conference is free. To register or for more information, visit www.sbs-forum.org or call USAR (New York, N.Y.) at 212.226.2042.

■ Receive the Word From Andy Grove

The semiannual **Intel Developer Forum** will descend on the San Jose (Calif.) Convention Center February 17–19. Promising to take attendees "beyond the spec," the three-day conference promises in-depth technical presentations, demonstrations, and access to Intel's key technical personnel. Keynotes speakers include Andy Grove, Albert Yu, and Pat Gelsinger.

Entrance fees run \$1,195 for all three days. To register or for more information, call 800.803.6519 or set your browser to developer.intel.com/design/idf.

■ Wending Through the Wireless World

It's two conferences in one: **Portable By Design** and **Wireless Symposium and Exhibition** will share a venue February 9–13. Both will fill the Santa Clara (Calif.) Convention Center with a

mixture of tutorials, technical sessions, keynotes, and exhibits. Enthusiasts of phase-locked loops, RF circuit design, modulation techniques, personal communications, battery subsystems, and infrared data will all find events to attend. Parallel keynotes are provided by David Hancock of Hitachi and Mark Golden of the Personal Communications Industry Association.

Entrance fees run from \$898 for the full VIP package to free (for exhibits only). Registration information can be found at www.penton.com/wireless or by calling Penton Publishing (Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.) at 201.393.6213.

■ A Road Map That's Good for 15 Years

That's the promise of the **National Technology Roadmap**, published by the Semiconductor Industry Association (SIA). As an update to the 1994 edition, the road map plots out the industry's "research needs and goals" up until 2012, including the migration to 0.18- and 0.10-micron fabrication processes. Copies of the report run \$250 and may be ordered via the Web at www.sematech.org.

■ Look Out for ASIC Outlook 1998

Integrated Circuit Engineering has released **ASIC Outlook 1998**, a five-year look into the estimated \$53 billion ASIC industry. Send \$835 to ICE (Scottsdale, Ariz.) by calling 602.515.9780.

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