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Open-access *SPIE Reviews* journal to launch in mid-2009 with focus on emerging topics in optics and photonics

BELLINGHAM, WA, USA - 12 December 2008 - SPIE announced today the launch in mid-2009 of the new open-access journal *SPIE Reviews* under the editorship of William T. Rhodes. The new journal will publish original, in-depth review articles on emerging and evolving fields in applied optics and photonics of use to researchers as well as industry innovators.

"Articles will serve both as valuable overviews of significant new technologies and as portals to the primary literature in those areas for practitioners, researchers, and students," Dr. Rhodes said. "The optics community has long needed a good journal of review articles. I am extremely pleased that SPIE is launching this new publication, and doubly pleased because it comes at no cost to readers or authors." Rhodes is a professor of electrical engineering and Associate Director of the Imaging Technology Center at Florida Atlantic University, and Emeritus Professor at Georgia Institute of Technology.

As editor, Rhodes will be assisted by a broadly interdisciplinary editorial board that will provide the expertise needed to ensure that *SPIE Reviews* covers the full range of topics important to SPIE constituents.

SPIE Reviews will be available as an open-access publication in the [SPIE Digital Library](#), the world's largest collection of optics literature. Articles in the SPIE Digital Library incorporate features such as extensive CrossRef-linked bibliographies, multimedia, bookmarking tools, and RSS feeds. In addition to these features, *SPIE Reviews* will feature links to related resources such as book chapters. *SPIE Reviews* joins the open-access *SPIE Letters* virtual journal as an additional open-access offering in the SPIE Digital Library, which also includes articles available by subscription or pay-per-view from SPIE's other six journals and the Proceedings of SPIE.

"*SPIE Reviews* will offer timely insights on emerging technologies of benefit to researchers and students, while also providing industry managers with overviews of developing fields and a front-row perspective on technology trends," said SPIE CEO Eugene Arthurs.

SPIE Reviews' open-access status will ensure its availability to researchers in developing countries and in schools with limited access to primary research journals, Arthurs noted. "This supports SPIE's mission to advance diverse new technologies throughout the world."

Articles will be invited by members of the editorial board and the editor. Proposals from prospective authors also will be considered by the editor. Proposals and inquiries may be sent to journals@spie.org. Additional information on *SPIE Reviews* is available at www.spie.org/reviews.

Editorial board members include:

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