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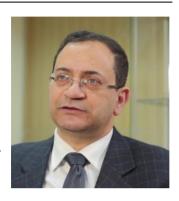
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Keynote: Si Nano_Photonics for Data Center Applications

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ABSTRACT

With the huge demand of data transfer all over the world, optical communication becomes the default standard communication technique for long haul systems as well as access networks. Photons as carriers of information are penetrating in all the communication levels, they transfer data between continents, between countries, cities, buildings, boards and even between chips in the microprocessors. With this transformation, it becomes also a necessity to move photon manipulation from individual devices to complex circuits that can scale down in price and up in production. This created the technology of Si photonics in which Photonics devices are produced on a Si substrate using standard scalable IC technology. The increase of the photonic device density on the substrate led to the use of nano photonic components and the need of integration of these devices very close to the electronic devices led to the Co Packaged Optical CPO solutions in data centers.

In this work we present the recent development for building CPO solutions on Si technology for data center applications. The architecture of the solution, the main challenges facing its implementation and the solutions suggested to overcome these challenges will be briefly addressed. Examples of the solutions proposed in the literature and those in the market will be critically reviewed.