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Invitation to a Listening Session organized by the SGA/SSA

Music in Surround – The current State

SUVA Auditorium, Rösslimattstrasse 39, Luzern

Friday, 3rd of November 2006, 1700h - 1830h

On the occasion of the “Herbsttagung 2006” of the SGA/SSA, the AES members are cordially invited to attend to a special listening demonstration of a selection of surround music on a carefully chosen reproduction setup. The presentation will give an overview of available music in surround in the SACD, DVD-Audio

and DualDisc formats. Examples will be played which use the very established 5.1 format but also some in the 2+2+2 format which utilizes the height dimension in addition. A focus lies on examples which are unfolding their true impression only if they are played back on a spatial reproduction system.

INFORMATION ON NEXT MEETING

The Studer Revox Museum

Studer Professional Audio GmbH, Althardstrasse 30, 8105 Regensdorf

Monday, 4th of December 2006, 1730h-1930h

SPEAKERS: Bruno Hochstrasser, CEO Studer Professional Audio GmbH
Paul Zwicky, former R&D Director of Studer Revox AG

ORGANISERS: Attila Karamustafaoglu

LANGUAGE: English or German

58 years after Willi Studer has founded his own company, some friends of his work have assembled a museum containing a selection of the vast heritage of this enterprise.

Bruno Hochstrasser, committee member of the Museumsverein Studer Revox and current CEO of Studer Professional Audio GmbH, will open the evening with a short speech about the history of the company and the museum association. After this, Mr. Paul Zwicky kindly offers to guide technically through the exhibition. Now retired and having been R&D Manager of Studer Revox between head of laboratory from 1977 to 1985 and head of the base technology development between 1985 and

1991, he has a very deep knowledge of all the equipment being developed during that period. Mr. Zwicky was employed by Willi Studer with a first task, which was to guide the product development from the use of vacuum electron tubes to the use of transistors. Many of the apparatuses developed under the guidance of Mr. Zwicky are on display in the museum and he will pick one or the other and tell some interesting technical stories about them. A very interesting and entertaining event is guaranteed! After the presentations there will be time for questions and of course a dinner will be held afterwards at the restaurant Feldschlösschen nearby.

REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING
***The new SR DRS Broadcast House IPH:
Workflow Oriented Broadcasting
and
AES Swiss Section General Meeting 2006***

Monday, 28th of August 2006 at SR DRS, Brunnenhofstrasse 22, 8042 Zürich

SPEAKERS: Thomas Wochner (Wobec GmbH)
Walter Reinhard (Auris GmbH)

REPORTER: Attila Karamustafaoglu

The meeting was attended by about 22 visitors. After gathering, the group was brought to one of the visitors areas, which was located in the heart of the news production studios of DRS 1. There, Thomas Wochner played back a general introduction from a DVD especially produced for studio visitors and gave then a technical overview of the refurbishment which was recently made here. Formerly a staff member of SR DRS he is now an independent consultant and planned in this function the new technical system, together with his colleague Enzo Speziale from SR DRS who was also present and gave additional explanations. In the explanation of the system planning, it was made clear to the audience that a strong focus was made to a workflow oriented structure of the whole installation. Further as mandatory for a live broadcasting environment, a tight redundancy concept has been implemented. Walter Reinhard did further planning as well as installation tasks with his company Auris GmbH. The mixing equipment has been chosen to be Studer OnAir3000 consoles. Interesting further was that most of the signals, like telephone, AES/EBU, Analog, Ethernet, MADI, etc. are all transported through the "UKV (Universelle Gebäudeverkabelung)", realized with CAT-7 twisted pair cables, within the building. This gave a maximum of flexibility and low installation costs of the interconnecting infrastructure. In a tour in two groups this, as well as the refurbished live studios, were shown to the attendees.

General Meeting

The general meeting took place in the UBS restaurant and conference centre Guggach close

to the radio studios. 16 members were present. First, the committee reported of the past activities and the financial situation. After a difficult financial period, mainly caused by the AES headquarters, it could be reported that the situation is now fine again. Then, the audience was informed that Gisèle Clark, treasurer of the section has given her notice to leave the committee. This meant that a new position in the committee was to be elected. One candidate, Christoph Jäger was nominated and present at the meeting. The present members re-elected all existing members as well as the new candidate into the new committee for the next period of two years without any dissenting voices. The new committee is consisting now of following members (Functions elected on the 28.9.06 by the committee):

Attila Karamustafaoglu (chairman)

Terry Nelson (vice chairman)

Joël Godel (secretary)

Gabriel Leuzinger (treasurer)

Véronique Adam (website editor)

Patrick Boehm (education)

David Norman (email responsible)

Christoph Jäger (PR responsible)

After the official closing of the general meeting, the evening was concluded with a dinner as usual.

The AES Swiss Section warmly thanks the speakers and SR DRS for a very interesting evening. Further, many thanks go to Gisèle Clark for her greatly appreciated help in the committee. She offered to stay in contact with the section in the future which is much appreciated too.