



**Southeastern Michigan Section  
"Chapter IV" Speaker Series  
Thur., April 22, 2010, 6:00 pm  
Spring Section Conference  
Room #117, Fairlane Center North  
University of Michigan - Dearborn  
19000 Hubbard Drive, Dearborn, MI 48126**



## **"The Search for a Perfect Power System – The Incredible Power Chip"**

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### **Abstract:**

Bob Galvin, Founder of Motorola describes a perfect power system as one that is plentiful in energy and never fails the consumer. According to Morgan Stanley, silicon will reconfigure 21<sup>st</sup> century electric power grid just as it did the 20<sup>th</sup> century information infrastructure. George Gilder, Wall Street "guru" says information-quality power is the greatest business opportunity of our time. These insightful comments provide a plethora of evidence to the importance of energy and environment, and the critical role that the semiconductor technology will play in shaping the 21<sup>st</sup> century global economy. This talk will focus on key challenges and opportunities in semiconductor materials and devices, nano technology, and renewable energy generation and utilization in developing next generation smart electrical power system.

### **Speaker's Biography:**

Dr. Shenai has over 25 years of combined industrial, academic, and entrepreneurial experience in developing and deploying advanced semiconductor technologies for electric energy conversion and power management. He is best known for his contributions to semiconductor metallization, power MOSFETs, smart-power ICs, synchronous power rectifiers, wide bandgap semiconductors (SiC and III-Nitride) for power, soft-switching power technology, high-density power converters, power system field-reliability, and RF and microwave power amplifiers. He is a Fellow of IEEE, Fellow of AAAS, Fellow of IETE (India), a Distinguished Lecturer of IEEE Electron Device Society, and a member of Yugoslavian Academy of Engineering.

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**Conference: 5-9pm** (Talk at 6pm, Dinner at 7:30pm)