

# USC Viterbi

School of Engineering

DEAN YANNIS YORTSOS

*and the*

MING HSIEH DEPARTMENT OF  
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

*invite you to the dedication of the*

*A.V. "Bal" Balakrishnan Chair*

*installing*

*Dr. Petros Ioannou*

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2016

2:30 P.M. RECEPTION

3:00 P.M. PROGRAM AND INSTALLATION

UNIVERSITY PARK CAMPUS

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Viterbi School Faculty and Staff  
**From:** Yannis C. Yortsos, Dean *Yannis C. Yortsos*  
**Date:** January 11, 2016  
**Subject:** Appointment of Petros Ioannou as A.V. "Bal" Balakrishnan Chair

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I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Petros Ioannou as A.V. "Bal" Balakrishnan Chair, effective immediately. This appointment recognizes Petros' exceptional distinction as a Professor in the Ming Hsieh Department of Electrical Engineering. As is the process in all such honors, this appointment was recommended by an appropriate faculty committee and was approved by the Provost.

Petros is a Professor of the Ming Hsieh Department of Electrical Engineering with joint appointments in the Departments of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, and Industrial and Systems Engineering. He received his B.Sc. degree with First Class Honors from University College, London, England, and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. In 1982, he became a faculty member of Electrical Engineering-Systems and currently serves as the Director of the Center of Advanced Transportation Technologies as well as the Associate Director for Research of a DoD University Transportation Center, METRANS, here at USC. Petros is a Fellow of the IEEE, Fellow of the International Federation of Automatic Control (IFAC), and Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET). He is the author/co-author of 8 books and over 400 research papers in the area of controls, vehicle dynamics and control, and intelligent transportation systems (ITS). He is the Editor in Chief of the IEEE Transactions on ITS. In 1985, he received the Presidential Young Investigator Award for his research in Adaptive Control. In 2009, he received the *Intelligent Transportation System's Outstanding Application Award* by the *IEEE Intelligent Transportation System Society (ITSS)* and the *2009 IET Heaviside Medal for Achievement in Control*. In 2012, he received the *IEEE ITSS Outstanding ITS Research Award*, and in 2015, he received the *2016 IEEE Transportation Technologies Field Award* for his work on Adaptive Cruise Control Systems.

Please join me in congratulating Petros on this well-deserved honor.

