

**Umran S. Inan** (BS'73–MS'74–PhD'77) received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Electrical Engineering from Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey, in 1972 and 1973, respectively, and the Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University, Stanford, CA, in 1977.

Prof. Inan is the President of Koç University in Istanbul, Turkey. During 1982-2009, he served at Stanford University, as a Professor of Electrical Engineering and as Director of the Space, Telecommunications, and Radioscience Laboratory. He has authored more than 366 scientific publications with 11,800 citations (h-index=58), and served as the Principal Advisor for 60 PhD students since 1990.

Prof. Inan is a Fellow of the American Geophysical Union, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (IEEE) and the American Physical Society (APS). He has served as Vice President of the International Union of Radio Science (URSI). He is the recipient of the 2007 Stanford University Allan V. Cox Medal for Faculty Excellence; the 1998 Stanford University Tau Beta Pi Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching; several Group Achievement Awards from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the European Space Agency; the Antarctic Service Medal of the U.S., with an Antarctic Mountain named “Inan Peak” in his honor; and the 2008 Appleton Prize from URSI and the Royal Society. Professor Inan recently received 2010 Special Science Award from the Scientific and Technological Research Council (TUBITAK) of Turkey, and was elected as a Member of the Turkish Academy of Sciences (TUBA).