Current students of accepted papers, workshop presentations, or competition entries, may apply for travel grants to Prof. Gregory D. Durgin (durgin@gatech.edu) by the March 2, 2012 deadline. Up to 10 scholarships of $500 for travel costs will be awarded. More and larger scholarships may be awarded based on funds available and needs. Instructions for rules for applying are given below:

- **Student Authors** of accepted papers will be required to pay the full author registration fee prior to uploading their final paper versions.

- **Student Poster Presenters** will be required to register in the appropriate categories prior to uploading their final poster abstract versions.

- **Student Competition Participants** may register in the appropriate categories at any time.

- For all STG applicants, if awarded, the grant proceeds may be applied to registration fees, airfare, hotel costs, etc., once the student awardee submits expense receipts after the conference.

- **Application Process** for students will be through the EDAS system with the following requirements:
  1. Student must be an author of an accepted paper, a presenter of an accepted poster, or an entrant in the student competition
  2. Student must present at the conference their paper, poster, or competition entry
  3. Student must be a student member of IEEE at the time of application
  4. Student must be a full-time student registered toward a Bachelors, Masters, or Ph.D. degree in engineering or related field in a college or university at the time of application
  5. Student must not have received an IEEE STG in the last 12-month period
  6. Student must not receive funding for attending the conference from other sources

- **Application Items** to submit (EDAS can be set up to allow uploads of this information):
  1. Student’s vita
  2. Cover letter from student must include the following:
     a) A brief summary of research interests and accomplishments to date
     b) A description of areas reflected in the RFID 2012 program which would impact the student’s research
     c) Why the conference attendance is important to the student
3. Letter from the student’s adviser must include the following:
   a) Confirmation that the student is a Ph.D., Master, or Bachelor candidate in good standing
   b) The suitability of the RFID 2012 program material to the student’s research area
   c) Ways this particular student would benefit from attendance at the conference
   d) The strengths and potential contributions of the student
   e) Availability of funds from other sources, particularly the adviser, the student, and/or the student’s institute is required to pay for the student’s conference registration fee
   
   o **Evaluation Criteria** will include the following factors:
     1. Some preference will be given to accepted student authors first, then to accepted poster presenters second, then to student competition participants last.
     2. For student authors, the strength of the reviews of the submitted manuscript will be a factor in decision making.
     3. For all student applicants, the quality of the advisor letter and the perceived institutional resources will be a factor in the award as well.
   
   o **Key Deadlines** for the application:
     1. Application submission: 2 March 2012
     2. All reference letters and documents uploaded: 9 March 2012
     4. Acceptance by the recipient: 16 March 2012