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PANEL SESSION No. 1
Remembering Lotfi A. Zadeh

Chair: Mo Jamshidi
University of Texas
San Antonio, TX, USA

Time: 10:00 – 11:00
Tuesday June 5, 2018
Venue: Stevenson Ballroom A
**Professor Lotfi A. Zadeh: From Childhood in Baku, to Adulthood in Tehran to Years in New York and Berkeley** (15 minutes)

**ABSTRACT:** In this panel session, the entire life story of Lotfi Zadek (Lotfollah Asgharzadeh) will be presented and a group of friends and peers of Lotfi will make comments. I have known Lotfi for nearly 49 years when I was a PhD candidate at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1978. Lotfi was a unique scientist, humble human being, and has touched lives of hundreds of scientists and engineers around the world.

**Panelists:**
1) Thomas Kailath, Professor Emeritus, Stanford University, USA (10 minutes)

2) Takeshi Yamakawa, Professor Emeritus Kyushu Institute of Technology and Director, FISI - Fuzzy Logic Systems Institute (FLSI), Japan (10 minutes)
3) Madan Gupta, Professor Emeritus, University of Saskatchewan, Canada (10 minutes)

4) James M. Tien, Distinguished Professor and Former Dean of Engineering, the University of Miami, FL, USA (10 minutes)

Q/A and discussions (5 minutes)