

FFTG Bi-Monthly Newsletter: March 2026

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Technical Group Information

Upcoming Webinar: VLSI for Fibers- First Steps in Creating Data Processing Fiber Photonics

Join us through Zoom on April 20th at 15:00 EDT (UTC-4:00) for a presentation by Alexander Gumennik, the Director of the Fibers & Additive Manufacturing Enabled Systems (FAMES) Laboratory in the Department of Intelligent Systems Engineering at Indiana University. More information about the webinar and presenter, as well as free registration for this event can be found on our technical group webpage: [FFTG](#).

Events and News

- Early Career Professionals can register for Optica's *Career Accelerator* workshop, May 3rd-7th at the Optica Headquarters in Washington, DC, USA
More info here: [Optica](#)
- Applications are now open for the Gapontsev Prize for Innovations in Fiber Lasers. This award seeks to provide recognition and funding for early-career professionals engaged in exciting and innovative projects involving fiber laser technologies. **More info here:** [Optica](#)

Career and Education Opportunities

Company/University	Career or Education Opportunity	Location	Link
Lightera	Optical Fiber Scientist	Sommerset, NJ, USA	Lightera
Coherent	Intern - Manufacturing Engineering	East Granby, CT, USA	Coherent
Corning	Sr. Laser Process Development Engineer	Hickory, NC, USA	Corning
Prysmian	Process Sr. Engineer - Hollow Core Fiber	Eindhoven, Netherlands	Prysmian
Tampere University	MSCA Doctoral Researcher	Tampere, Finland	Tampere

Publications

Check out the recently published proceedings from Photonics West 2026 for new developments in optical fiber and fiber lasers! **Link:** [SPIE](#)