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## Dr. Gerhard Fettweis Joins NI Board of Directors

AUSTIN, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- National Instruments Corporation (Nasdaq: NATI), the provider of platform-based systems that enable engineers and scientists to solve the world's greatest engineering challenges, announced today that Dr. Gerhard Fettweis, Vodafone Chair Professor at the Technical University of Dresden (TU Dresden), was appointed to the NI board of directors.

"Dr. Gerhard Fettweis is one of the key innovators in the wireless industry," said Dr. James Truchard, NI chairman, president and CEO. "We believe his leading-edge research in next-generation wireless communication systems, such as 5G, and multiprocessor system-on-chip technology brings expertise to our board in an important growth area for the company."

Since 1994, Fettweis has held the Vodafone Chair at TU Dresden, with 20 companies from Asia, Europe and the United States sponsoring his research on wireless transmission and chip design. He coordinates two German Science Foundation centers in Dresden and the 5G Lab Germany. As an IEEE Fellow and a member of acatech, the German National Academy of Science and Engineering, Fettweis has received many awards such as the Stuart Meyer Memorial Award from the IEEE Vehicular Technology Society and the Alcatel-Lucent Innovation Award. He has been involved in starting 10 companies and participated in more than 100 research projects over the past 20 years. Fettweis is also a research scientist with International Computer Science Institute (ICSI), a leading independent nonprofit center for research in computer science, affiliated with University of California, Berkeley.

"I have always admired NI for its collaboration with industry and academia to make next-generation wireless technology a reality," said Fettweis. "NI's platform-based approach for prototyping and testing wireless systems helps engineers and researchers innovate their designs faster in new application areas resulting from reduced latencies and increased bandwidth. I am honored to be joining the company's board."

Since 2012, Fettweis has coordinated the Cluster of Excellence 'Center for Advancing Electronics Dresden' in which more than 300 scientists from more than 20 countries explore new technologies for future microchips in nine different research paths. The Collaborative Research Center for Highly Adaptive Energy-Efficient Computing, also coordinated by Fettweis since 2011, is integrated in the Cluster of Excellence as one of its research paths.

Fettweis studied electrical engineering at the Rheinisch-Westfälische Technische Hochschule Aachen, where he earned his Ph.D. in 1990, and holds an honorary doctorate from Technical University Tampere of Finland.

### About NI

Since 1976, NI ([www.ni.com](http://www.ni.com)) has made it possible for engineers and scientists to solve the world's greatest engineering challenges with powerful platform-based systems that accelerate productivity and drive rapid innovation. Customers from a wide variety of industries - from healthcare to automotive and from consumer electronics to particle physics - use NI's integrated hardware and software platform to improve the world we live in.

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