

## Speakers



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Professor in Theoretical Optics, leading biophotonics research group. His research interests include micro-optics, nanophotonics, biophotonics, physical optics, electromagnetic optics, diffractive optics, and optical coherence theory. He is leader of Biophotonic research group and The Scientific Director of the Institute of Photonics in University of Eastern Finland. His teaching experience includes Thermodynamics, Quantum mechanics, Quantum physics, Physical optics, and Solid state physics.



## Irina Livshits

ITMO University, Head of Laboratory «CAD Opto-Information and Energy Saving Systems», Research Director of the Engineering Center Optica, Research Director for Russian Korean Optical Design Center, Self-portrait using the lens designed herself, post Head of Research Laboratory for Computer-Aided Design of Optical-Information and Energy Saving Systems.



## Juuso Olkkonen

CTO, Founder of [Dispelix](#), Dispelix creates the world's thinnest full-color displays for near-eye augmented reality.

## Tapani Levda

founder of waveguide based AR displays (Nokia, [Vuzix](#)), former Principal hardware engineer of Microsoft in HoloLens project





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Associate Professor of Interactive Technologies at the University of Eastern Finland, Co-Founder of [SeeTrue Technologies](#)

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Mixed Reality Director in [Next Games](#), CEO and of Founder Mixed reality game producer Lume Games (2014-2017), worked in Nokia with MR applications and new games and innovation (1999-2014)



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Professor at University of Oulu, former chief scientist of VR/AR/MR in Huawei, Former principal scientist and founder of Oculus VR, have publish [VR book](#)

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## [Bernard Kress](#)

Partner Optical Architect at Microsoft/[Hololens](#), with 2 decades of experience in design, test and manufacturing of optical systems including micro-optics, diffractives, holographics and metasurfaces, for products in Display, imaging and sensing, 3D display, Optical computing, optical telecom, optical data storage and optical anti-counterfeiting, Several patents and publications in field of optics





## Juha Väyrynen

Development Engineer at Karelia University of Applied Sciences

## Samuli Siitonen

CTO at Nanocomp, Nanocomp focuses on the manufacturing of micro- and nanophotonics products for consumer electronics, laser sensing and special lighting sectors.

## Petri Karvinen

Project Researcher in University of Eastern Finland, working with 3D printed optics with integrated nanostructures, Accurate, cost-effective and easy 3D printing for MedTech component production. CEO at Finnlitho. Finnlitho Ltd is providing nanolithography services. Their most mature products are diffractive X-ray optics, but they offer also other fabrication and consultation services.

## Teemu Tainen

CEO of Lumous Interactive which is helping companies to build VR&AR environments and applications, working in Riveria building learning environments with help of VR&AR technologies

## Speaker from 3DTalo

Augmented reality and Virtual reality in industrial use, 3D Talo is offering Virtual and Augmented Reality solutions to support business's needs. They transfer industrial environments from design models or real-world references in to realistic three-dimensional virtual reality with ease to improve your production efficiency and end-user usability

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