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Personal Profile

Cyril graduated with a degree in Engineering from the University of Malta, continued his Ph.D. studies at the University of Nottingham in the UK . He then returned to Malta where he is one of the youngest heads of department throughout the University.

Cyril is married and has two young children.



John was brought up in Zabbar in Malta and following secondary school took up a job in industry. Following some time there, however, he decided to continue his education, following a degree in engineering.



John remembers taking his toys apart as a child, being interested how they worked. He was however not so good at putting them together again.

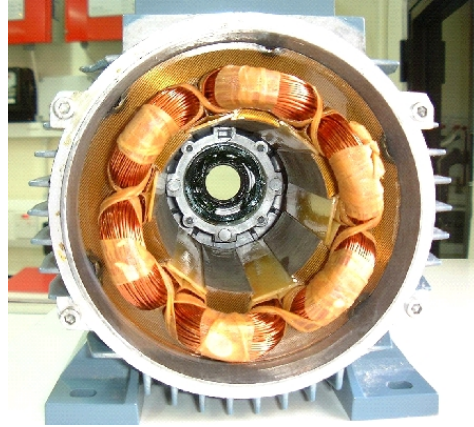


Research Profile

Cyril's team of students and staff are focused on delivering renewable energy solutions to the Maltese

environment. This includes optimization of power systems for electric cars and boats.

Cyril's team also work on identifying convenient systems for combination of solar and wind energy and enhancing solar solutions for returning power to the grid. This latter aim was the object of John's undergraduate thesis research.



Other interests.

Both Cyril and John are keen outdoors people with, Cyril likes to go camping and rambling abroad, whilst John is a keen SCUBA diver.



Relevant Links or info

Further information about the research going on at the Department of Industrial Electrical Power Conversion may be found at: <http://www.eng.um.edu.mt/iepc/>