# Computer Architecture Group

### Work Plans

## 1.1. Unified design of embedded system components

Level: B.Sc or M.Sc

**Objective:** The objective of this track is to develop embedded system components using a design methodology which allows the generation of both hardware and software from a unified description.

#### **Activities:**

- Study the state-of-art
- Define an application domain and components
- Implement and evaluate the components
- Publish the work

## 1.2. Implementation of a flexible MPSoC

Level: Any

**Objective:** The objective of this track is to implement a flexible Multiprocessor System-on-Chip (MPSoC) based on the AMBA AXI4 bus and on the RTSNoC network-on-chip. A base implementation of the SoC already exists, however, it currently supports a single core and a few IO peripherals. The final implementation may be similar to the figure bellow (some aspects are no yet defined):

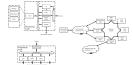


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This work plan consists basically of technical activities, but it is possible (and recommended) to use the final MPSoC as a case study for research in the following topics:

- Intercore communication
- Network-on-Chips
- Cache coherence in multicore architectures
- And whatever

#### **Activities:**

- Study current implementation
- Define memory hierarchy and cache coherence protocols
- Define interrupt handling
- Implement and evaluate the MPSoC
- Publish your work