

IEEE Benelux Section Report May 2010

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Election Date:

- 21-01-2009
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Term End Date:

- January 2011
- January 2011
- January 2011
- January 2011
- January 2011
- January 2011
- January 2011

- Member (Luxembourg): M. (Michel) Marso
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- Awards and Member Grade Elevation: J. (Jan) Biemond
- Chapter and Affinity Group Activities Coordination: C.G.M. (Kees) van 't Klooster
- Educational Activities (Belgium): J.G. (Jacques) Verly
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- Electronic Communications: *vacancy*; presently in the secretary's portfolio
- Industry Relations: D. (Damien) Macq
- Membership Development: D (Dirk) Van Hertem
- Professional Activities and GOLD Coordination: E. (Emre) Ayranci
- Student Activities: D.M. (Daniel) Van Dommelen
- Student Representative: S. (Steven) Thielemans – 8 Student Branches (Antwerpen, Delft, Eindhoven, Enschede, Gent, Leuven, Liège, Louvain-la-Neuve), where Enschede is inactive and one Leos student chapter

Membership:

IEEE Current Grade Description	Venice	Lisbon	current situation
Affiliate	238	270	254
Associate Member	188	192	86
Fellow	69	66	69
Graduate Student Member	615	482	733
Honorary Member	1	1	1
Life Fellow	18	22	22
Life Member	31	35	32
Life Senior	17	19	20
Member	1726	2234	1939
Senior Member	203	207	210
Student Member	221	201	172

New fellows:

Congratulations to our 4 new IEEE Fellows of the Benelux Section:

- **Martin J. Bastiaans** - Technical University Eindhoven, The Netherlands, *for contributions to signal processing for optical signals and systems*
- **Michel Defrise** - Vrije Universiteit Brussel - Brussels, Belgium, *for contributions to computer tomography*
- **Rodolphe Sepulchre** - Université de Liège - Liège, Belgium, *for contributions to nonlinear systems*



- **Edward Gulski** - Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands,
for application of partial discharges to diagnosis of high voltage components

Benelux IEEE member and past-chair Martin Bastiaans has been awarded the prestigious **MGA Larry K. Wilson Transnational Award**.

Best practices:

- Initiative to reduce the associate membership count in cooperation with IEEE headquarters and R8 MD subcommittee (potential reduction of +/- 250 (March) to +/- 40) and "upgrade" them to full members if they deserve to. This is on-going.
- Initiative to stimulate more Senior Members – this is on-going.

Topics to be discussed in Lisbon :

IEEE Student Branch and Gold Congress 2010, to be held in Leuven, Belgium (<http://www.sbcleuven.org>)