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Highlights from the past

- IEEE Denmark is in the state of reorganizing its presense. The student branches are still popular, but have first recently got new representatives. We have had 3 major events to profile IEEE. Our long and good cooperation with the Danish Engineering organization IDA is still intact but during 2013 no common meetings has been held.
- As chairman, I am, in the month to come, visiting 5 major Danish Electronic industries to inform on the large benefits of
 continuing membership after the time at university.
- For the board in Denmark we suffered the severe blow that our Treasurer left in the beginning of the periode. First now 6 month later we have Again access to our bank account!

Future activities

- We are rebuilding strength! I am going to supplement the board with to voluneery assistant officers. In Denmark IEEE is strongly present at the three yechnical universities: Aalborg, Aarhus and Copenhagen.
- As chairman I am now Building out our connections to the Danish industry.
- The earlier mentioned meeting on Electric cars, is organised together with AmChamp, the Danish American Business Forum.
- A campaign will be launched in may, in the Danish Engineering journal: Ingeniaren.
- As of to day IEEE Denmark has no planned ceremonies.
- I hope the Budapest R-8 meeting can inspire me to further activities.

Best practices

- As new chair, I hope to get better understanding of IEEE best practices!
- Only three of the 6 chapters have submitted reports on their activities.
- We are in crisses!

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- Rebuilding the board and structure of chapters. It looks like in the future we have to involve industry more. Until now IEEE Denmark is solely dominated by universities.
- I have support from: Grundfoss, Danfoss, Bang & Olufsen, Copham Satcom, RTX and Bruel & Kjaer.

Miscellaneous

- The chapter structure has to be rejuvinated. But this has to happen smoothly over time!
- The distinguished Lecture Program will be activated for the arrangement on the American Embassy.