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What activities/programs/initiatives work well in your Section to foster Industry Relations? What changes would be required by IEEE/the Region/your Section to improve Industry Relations? What were major successes since the last meeting in terms of Industry Relations? How are you going to continue to foster Industry Relations?

IEEE Poland Section organized meeting with IT companies(INTEL, Delphi, Aptiv, Samsung), which are interested to start cooperation with universities under umbrella of IEEE. Unfortunately, there is no defined by IEEE, especially for industrial members in Europe, real advantages for industry to be member or be active in IEEE. There is no benefits for industry from Europe to be involved in IEEE activities. IEEE Poland Section going to be liaison between universities and industry in direction of common scientific projects, common industrial PhD theses etc.

What activities/programs/initiatives work well in your Section to Attract and Support Future Members, e.g., Students and Young Professionals? What changes would be required by IEEE/the Region/your Section to better Attract and Support Future Members? What were major successes since the last meeting in terms of Attracting and Supporting Future Members? How are you going to continue to support Students and Young Professionals?

IEEE Poland Section organized three successful events to attract new members:

- On 7-9 September 2017 was organized in Cracow IEEE YP Meet-Up at "IEEE Women in Engineering International Leadership Summits"
- On 12 September 2017, IEEE Young Professionals from Poland Section have organized for the very first time IEEE YP Meet-Up. The event took place in Warsaw, at EPE17 ECCE Europe conference (http://epe2017.com) and was coorganized by IEEE Power Electronics Society (PELS). The event gathered more than 170 attendees: students, young professionals, engineers and professors from about 30 countries.
- On 26-28 October 2017 was organized "2nd IEEE Students & Young Professionals Meeting 2017" in Opole, where was also organized 10 anniversary of IEEE Opole Student Branch.

What activities/programs/initiatives work well to drive the vitality and sustainability in your Section? What changes would be required by IEEE/the Region/your Section to improve Section vitality and sustainability? What were major successes since the last meeting interms of Section Vitality? How are you going to continue to foster Section Vitality?

- Cooperation bilateral agreement with Polish Electrical Association (SEP)
- Organization of IEEE EPE Conference with 900 participants from over 30 countries
- Organization of historical exhibition presenting exhibits from first in Poland power plant

What are your recommendations to IEEE Region 8 and the Africa Area Chair Gloria Chuckwudebe to foster IEEE in Africa? How does your Section support IEEE Activities in Africa?

Recommendations: support students events, invite frequently distinguished lecturers from IEEE, have a close contact and promote IEEE at universities. Poland Section can help to invite lecturers.

What services and which kind of support would you expect for Region 8 and/or your section out of the new IEEE office in Vienna, Austria? How has the existence of this office influenced your section since its inauguration last year?

Existence of office in Vienna not influenced Poland Sections. Office should help local sections in field of conferences, help in operational issues.

Outstanding new initiatives, Special Achievements, Anniversaries.

Preparation to common IEEE Milestone with IEEE Germany Section.