

# IEEE Legal Status Project Region 8 Meeting

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to Create the Future*

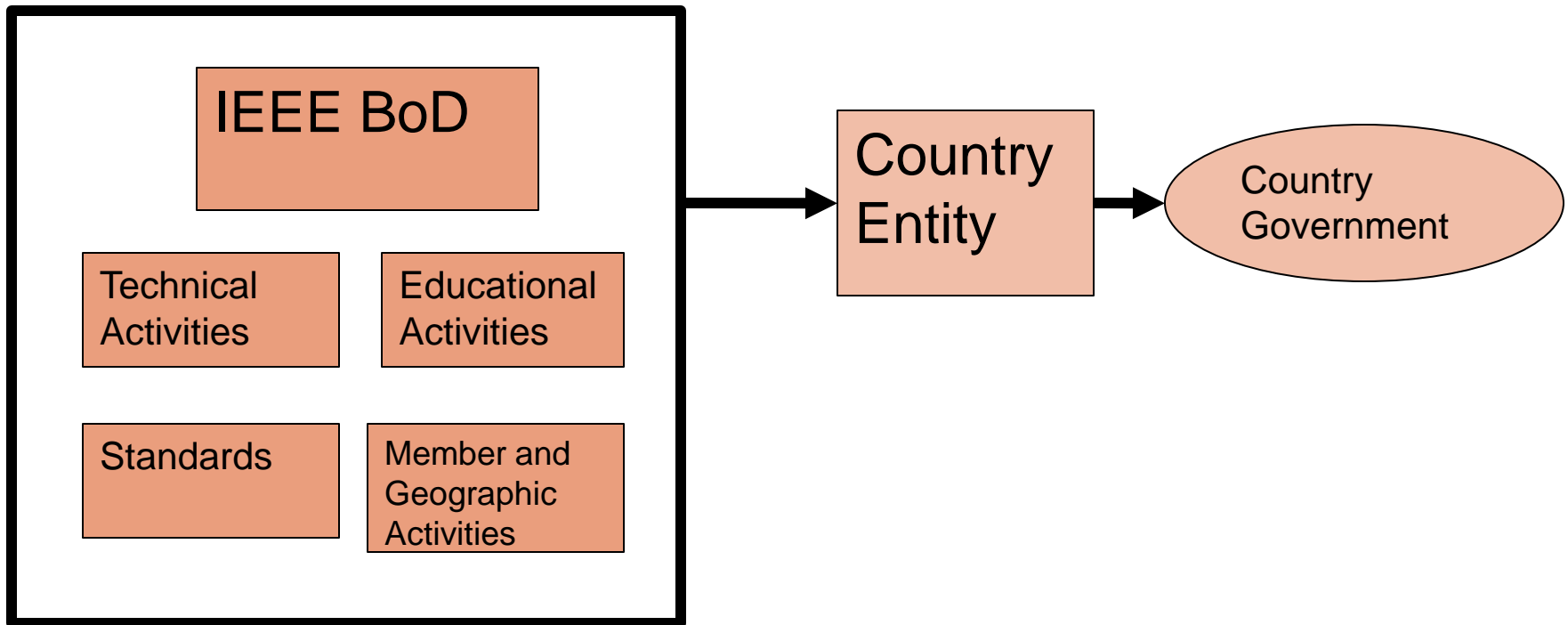
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# Project Overview

- IEEE continues its efforts on the initiative to review its legal status worldwide in 92 countries
- The purpose is to assess and identify registration requirements and ensure that IEEE complies with all applicable laws and regulations in every country where it conducts its activities
- IEEE has identified three major objectives:
  - Maintain corporate control over the local country entity
  - Perform a full range of activities supported by Organizational Units including MGA, EAB, Standards, TAB
  - Limit IEEE tax liability
- Only new registrations are being established by IEEE
  - Impacts existing local registrations
- Legal efforts underway now.
- Implementation targeted through 2013

# Legal Status Project Desired Objective

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# Actions that May Trigger Registration (Vary by Country)

- Issuing invoices to vendors for rendering of services related to IEEE activities
- Opening a local bank account
- Collection of membership dues
- Financial sponsorship of a conference
- Offering an educational accreditation program
- Hiring employee(s)
- Purchasing or leasing property
- Publication of papers and magazines

# Legal Status Project – Geo Unit Impact

FUNCTION OF REGISTRATION	CURRENT REGISTRATION	AFTER NEW REGISTRATION
<b>Decision Making</b>	<b>Assembly of IEEE Members in country</b> •Decision making authority for managing section operations through appointment	<b>IEEE Board</b> •Delegates authority in country
<b>Protection of Assets</b>	<b>Assets transfer to a local non-profit in country</b>	<b>Assets are protected within IEEE</b>
<b>Reporting</b>	<b>Section responsible for reporting to local government</b>	<b>IEEE compiles input from the Section and in-country input from other OU's and submits report(s) as required</b>
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# Legal Status Project

## Section Functions Remain Unaffected

- Section activities continue
- Funding from IEEE for local activities continues
- Section Officers continue in their roles and are annually elected to office
- Annual MGA reporting
- All section run meetings, conferences, tutorials, seminars continue to be held

# Legal Review Project – Breakout Session

- **Workshop will cover**
  - IEEE scope of activities
  - Overview - Corporate Review Process
  - Section Engagement and Impact
- **Details:**
  - “IEEE Worldwide Legal Review and Section Partnership”
  - Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> - 8:00 to 9:15 A
  - Yerba Buena Salons 1-6 & 10-15 (B3 Level)