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Report by Dr. Gerard-Andre Capolino Section Chair

Period: October 2006 to April 2007

Membership

Total: 2787 members (pending 825) with 248 Senior Members and 50 Fellows at April 1, 2007

Officers (2005-2008)

Gerard-Andre Capolino, Section Chair Amara Amara, VP Membership Richard Grisel, VP Communication Christine Nora, Treasurer Victor Fouad-Hanna, VP Chapters, N&A Committee Chair Edwige Pissaloux, Secretary Mohamed Ramdani, VP Student Activities Jean-Gabriel Remy, VP Industry Relationship Daniel Pasquet, VP Conferences Pierre Borne, VP Awards

Section activities

In 2006, the IEEE France Section has organized 2 Adcoms and 2 general meetings: January 20, 2006 in Paris (National Center of Scientific Research) and September 16, 2006 in Toulouse (University Paul Sabatier).

Student branches

Even if in 2006, the number of student branches did not increase, the most active branches have organized the Region 8 SBC'2006 (+ GOLD & WIE Meetings) in Paris August 30 – September 4, 2006 in the University Pierre & Marie Curie. It was a real success with more than 300 participants.

Conference activities

In 2006, the IEEE France Section has been involved in the organization of two flag conferences from societies:

ICASSP'2006 in Toulouse (more than 2,000 participants) IECON'2006 in Paris (more than 1,000 participants) More than 40 conferences have been technically co-sponsored

Chapter activities

The France Section has 24 chapters (including 2 affinity groups). In 2005, the number of meetings organized by chapters was 214 (it was 150 in 2005).

Nominations & Awards

The year 2006 has been very prolific for distinctions: 3 new Fellows have been elected (J.L. Laumont, C. Moog, P. Comon) J.G. Remy has been nominated R8 director for 2007-2008 R. Garello, J.L. Coatrieux have received a distinguished service award from their societies A. Yazidi has received a GOLD Award from R8