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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