

# **IEEE Iceland Section Report April 2007**

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### Membership:

The IEEE Iceland Section had, on 11-April-2007, in total 110 active members (including 1 Fellow, 3 Senior Members, 2 Life Members and 44 Student Members). For comparison, active members a year earlier were 105 and out of these student members were 43.

# Meetings and highlights October-2006 through March-2007:

Three technical meetings were held during the period and one business meeting was conducted.

### **Collaboration with National Society:**

The section continues to collaborate actively with the Icelandic Association of Chartered Engineers (VFI), including a joint award program of the IEEE Iceland section and the national society.

### Activities in the near future:

Work is underway to seek new candidates for the Section Officers, as the terms of most present Officers expires this year. The election of new Officers is planned at a meeting later in the year.

A progam for technical meetings needs to be revived and this is a key task for the coming weeks and months.

### Best practices:

- Balanced and close cooperation between members in academia and industry. The board consists of approximately equally many members from each.
- Close ties with academia, providing opportunities for high level technical presentations and joint events with engineering students.
- Good relations and cooperation with the national society.

### Current Issues:

- Establishing new chapters there is interest in chapters for communications and management.
- Stimulating membership development and retention of student members as they graduate.
- Keeping up an active and appealing program throughout the year.

Kristinn Andersen, IEEE Iceland Section Chair, 11-April-2007