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## Seminar

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# IEEE Student Branches Industry Relations (ISBIR) Program

# ISBIR Program Goal

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- Bring IEEE Student Branches (SBs) Closer to Industry, and
- Provide a shared platform among IEEE SBs to assist in strengthening this relationship

# ISBIR Program Objectives

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- 1) Integrate all industry-related activities of SBs in a single program
- 2) Establish a common source of best practices
- 3) Capitalize on industry needs
- 4) Capitalize on SBs network and energy to become closer to industry
- 5) Strengthen the relationship with industry
- 6) Match the demands of students, industry and university
- 7) Create local awareness campaigns on the effect of ISBIR
- 8) Provide the proper environment for students to implement their innovative ideas

# ISBIR Background

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- 1) In 2005; ISBIR Initiative was supported by R8 Industry Relations and Student Activities Committee
- 2) In 2006; Initiative was submitted to IEEE New Initiative Committee for approval
- 3) In late 2006; initiative was approved with a high priority by IEEE HQ for 3 years
- 4) ISBIR is to start with R8 and be expanded to other regions.
- 5) In 2007; ISBIR Steering/Advisory committee and ISBIR Task Force were formed
- 6) A detailed implementation plan was completed in February 2007

# ISBIR Background (Cont'd)

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## Steering / Advisory Committee Members:

- ***George Paunovic, Chair***  
Vice Chair of Technical Activities
- ***Marko Delimar, Member***  
Vice Chair of Membership Activities
- ***Pilar Molina Gaudio, Member***  
Chair of R8 GOLD Sub-Committee
- ***Rami Mushcab, Member***  
Chair of R8 Industry Relations

# ISBIR Background (Cont'd)

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## Main Responsibility of Steering Committee:

- 1) Ensure effective implementation of ISBIR
- 2) Provide directions and comments to Implementation Committee
- 3) Evaluate the progress of ISBIR program and assist on needed basis
- 4) Coordinate ISBIR activities with other IEEE regional activities and committees

# ISBIR Benefits to IEEE

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- 1) Provide more career opportunities with industry
- 2) Increase awareness of IEEE services and products
- 3) Increase of IEEE memberships from industry and students.
- 4) Attract for more industry participation into IEEE Conferences (Technically and financially)
- 5) Provide better understanding to industry needs and expectations
- 6) Become more knowledgeable of practical emerging technologies in industry
- 7) Increase industry participation in IEEE standards
- 8) Enhance industry cooperation in supporting R&D projects
- 9) Align school curriculum and technical certifications with industry needs

# ISBIR Benefits to Industry

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- 1) Save cost by capitalizing on R&D resources at universities
- 2) Company advertisement on local and international scale using IEEE network.
- 3) Attract high performing graduates to work for particular companies
- 4) Assist in developing engineers with the right and needed skills for industry
- 5) Use IEEE networking for technical consultation
- 6) Accessing to the university facilities in university-IEEE-industry collaboration



# ISBIR Benefits to Industry (Cont'd)

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- 7) Networking with other companies of related interests
- 8) Benefiting from IEEE trainings
- 9) Chance of reaching qualified human resources by IEEE network
- 10) Apply changes to universities curriculum to meet industry needs

# ISBIR Relationship with R8 IR Activities

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- 1) Collaboration with IEEE Section IRO:
  - Arrange visits and meeting with industry
  - Develop MoU with companies to increase membership, support local & regional events, and SBs activities
  - Establish Industry Affinity Group at each section. SBs can use this group for ISBIR awareness
  - Consolidate industry contacts and coordinate related activities to avoid confusion to industry
  - Share info with Section IRO when preparing industry awards

# ISBIR Relationship with R8 IR Activities (Cont'd)

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## 2) Collaboration with R8 IR Activities

- Develop regional agreements with well-known companies to increase membership, support local & regional events, and regional SBs activities
- Develop distinguished lecturer programs with IAS
- Introduce industry sessions at international IEEE Conferences

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ANY QUESTIONS ?

NEXT TO COME : ISBIR GUIDE