IEEE Region 8
88th Committee Meeting

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In 2007 will nominate candidates:

- for DIRECTOR ELECT 2009 – 10
- for 3 VICE CHAIRS: TA, MA, SA
- for SECRETARY 2008
- for TREASURER 2008
Strategic Planning Activity

Moderate new Section number and use **Subsections** to develop IEEE activity and practice in the country first.

New **IEEE Bylaws** allows new Subsections where Sections still do not exist. They belong directly to Region.

Big / small Section differentiation with adequate rights thinking.
Change of IEEE Bylaws at June meeting in Minneapolis

- Subsections, Chapters,… in an empty territory without Section will be allowed and will belong to the Region committee. It was accepted on RAB and BOD June meeting in Minneapolis.

- In R8 we have nearly everywhere one Section per State (now 50). Since Law and regulations are different nearly in each country only local people can accommodate IEEE activity to them. Therefore we support one Section per country although they are at the beginning rather small. It is important that IEEE activity starts.

- There are still many states where an IEEE Section does not exist but there are of course members willing to have at least a Subsection (until there will be IEEE activity more developed and enough members there for a Section). But Subsection in the past had to belong to Section and therefore the procedure stopped if a Section did not already exist in the country. This could have not been also a Section from other country because of defined territory for each Section.
The term of R8 Director-Elect changed from one year to two years and the change in IEEE Bylaws for R8 Director-Elect was accepted at BOD June meeting.

Since all other Regions had two years term already it was easy to achieve.
IEEE R8 Conferences policy

- Characteristic
- Broad interdisciplinary program
- Additional educational program
- Strong IEEE promotion and M/D
- Low fees

- Made all 3 R8 Conferences more and more popular (Eurocon 2007 got 700 papers)
Melecons

- 1981 Tel Aviv
- 1983 Athens
- 1985 Madrid
- 1987 Rome
- 1989 Lisabone
- 1991 Ljubljana
- 1994 Antalya
- 1996 Bari
- 1998 Tel Aviv
- 2000 Cyprus
- 2002 Cairo
- 2004 Dubrovnik
- 2006 Benalmadena
- 2008 Corsica
Africons

- Nairobi
- Swaziland
- 1996 Stellenbosch (SA)
- 1999 Cape Town (SA)
- 2002 George (SA)
- 2005 Gabarone (Botswana)
- 2007 Wienhoek (Namibia)
Eurocons

- ...forgotten history
- 1991 Stockholm
- 1993 Zurich (cancelled)
- ...
- ...
- 2001 Bratislava
- 2003 Ljubljana
- 2005 Belgrade
- 2007 Warsaw
Section Presentation

- From Section Assessment in front some Assessment Comm with some Minutes

- To

- Section Presentation in front of R8 Committee for practice to other Sections.
Workshops

- The worth of R8 WORKSHOPS for
- benefit of members and for
- IEEE promotion
- is far greater than the value of invested money