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1. Highlights from the past

- Sixths traditional Annual IEEE Croatia Section Award Banquets with guests from nearby sections
- Eight technically cosponsored conferences and workshops in 2011 http://www.ieee.hr/ieeesection/konferencije/2011
- Continuously increasing IEEE Croatia Section membership

2. Future activities

- Continue with the program of Section-level meetings/lecture series
- Technically cosponsoring 8 conferences and workshops in 2012
- Organization of the IEEE R8 conference EUROCON 2013 in Zagreb
- Improve industry relations and attract more members from the industry
- Issue an Open Call for Nominees for 2012 IEEE Croatia Section Annual Awards
- Elections
- Organize the Seventh IEEE Croatia Section Annual Award Banquet

3. Best practices

- Section-level professional meetings/lecture series for all members and guests
- Forming four student branches and organizations of STEP workshops
- Traditional Annual IEEE Croatia Section Award Banquets
- Very good activities in all chapters and affinity groups
- IEEE Croatia Section covering travel, accommodation and registration fees to enable student members to participate at IEEE meetings, workshops and other IEEE activities

4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

Benefits of IEEE membership for members from industry

5. Miscellaneous

- IEEE PES High Performing Chapter Award (2010), for Croatia Section PES Chapter
- Two Distinguished Lecturers visited our Section in 2011 (Vijay K. Bhargava, Mark O'Malley)
- Split of three joint chapters in 2011
- One new joint chapter (AES/GRS) has been formed
- Now we have 22 active chapters and 3 active affinity groups in our Section

Vitality-related success factors:

- Addressing members by e-mail
- All 22 chapters and 3 affinity groups were active in 2011
- Monthly ExCom meetings
- Regular updates on activity and financial status at every ExCom Meeting
- Good relation and cooperation of the Section, chapters, affinity groups and students
- Section website
- · Motivated officers doing their job with enthusiasm