IEEE Slovenia Section Report March 2012

1. Highlights from the past
   - Celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Slovenia Section in 2011
   - Life Member Affinity Groups creation
   - 20th Electrotechnical and Computer Science Conference ERK 2011
   - Section elections held for the term 1/1/2012 – 31/12/2013

2. Future activities
   - VITEL – International Symposium on Telecommunications, April 2012
   - ERK’2012, Electrotechnical and Computer Conference, Portoroz, September 2012
   - Preparations for the SBC 2012 meeting: local activities, fund raising, etc.

3. Best practices
   - SB Ljubljana active in field of Professional Activities and Relations with the industry
   - Increase in technical and professional activities organized by Chapters, Student Branch and Section: 31 in 2011.
   - Increase in social meetings at end of 2011
   - Events reported in R8 news
   - Organization of summer schools together with ACM.
   - Increased collaboration with IEEE Croatia Section.
   - Revived interest for the R8 student paper competition program.

4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion
   - Motivation for higher member grades.
   - Strategy for increase membership.
   - Tedious financial reporting for small sections with low budgets.

5. Miscellaneous
   - Distinguished Lecturers program event held at the University of Ljubljana with dr. O'Malley
   - Semiconductor industry pioneer dr. Franc Rode visits University of Ljubljana and gives students a motivational speech.
   - In February 2012 IEEE Slovenia Section and Student Branch Ljubljana organized well accepted event about IEEE and engineering profession within annual University of Ljubljana open days.
   - We are planning activities in the field of professional activities, educational activities and industrial relations. Chapters are organizing events in their designated fields.
   - Section Industry Relations Officer organizes invited lecture events from the industry.
   - All Chapters are active and introducing new event types into their programs.
   - Student Branch University of Ljubljana very active and present at all IEEE events extensively promoting IEEE between UL students.
   - Annual budget was kept within the year’s plan.