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Agenda Book

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Russia (Siberia)	Alexander Markhasin
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Saudi Arabia (West)	Dheya Shuja'a Al-Othmany
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Slovenia	Matej Zajc
South Africa	Jacques van Wyk
Spain	Pilar Molina

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Switzerland	Andreas Koschak
Tunisia	Loulou Mourad
Turkey	Okyay Kaynak
Ukraine	Evgen Pichkalyov
United Arab Emirates	Maryam Althani
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland	Nihal Sinnadurai
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Mauritius Sub-Section	Krishna Seeburn
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Palestine Sub-Section	Allam Mousa
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AHCAA	Robert Goodman
AHCAA	Victor Lawrence
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GOLD Activities	Rafal Sliz
PA subcommittee	Emilio Corchado
Strategic Planning	Tony Davies
Student Activities	Eva Lang
Student Activities	George Paunovic
Student Activities	Hossam Fahmy
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Past Director	Baldomir Zajc
Past Director	Jean-Gabriel Rémy
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Oman Chair	Ahmed Al-Naamany
Slovenia Secretary	Radovan Sernec
UKRI Student Activities Chair	Andreas Koltes
Croatia Chapter Chair Coordinator	Hrvoje Pandzic
UAE past chair	Eesa Bastaki
Portugal Chair	Rui Cruz

Saturday 31 March

1. Call to order

The Region 8 Director, **Marko Delimar**, opened the 98th IEEE Region 8 Committee meeting and asked the Secretary, **Costas Stasopoulos**, to make the roll call.

2. Roll Call

The Secretary, **Costas Stasopoulos**, made the roll call and there was a quorum.

3. Welcome

Axel Richter, Germany Section Chair, welcomed everybody to Berlin, Germany and the IEEE Region 8 meeting. He then gave some general and some travel information about Berlin and the upcoming social events.

5. Introduction of Officers

An introduction of all the Section Chairs and representatives was made by the Secretary and themselves. All the appointed members of Region 8 introduced themselves too.

6. Introductory remarks

The Region 8 Director, **Marko Delimar**, welcomed everybody in Berlin. He introduced and welcomed all the guests from IEEE HQs in the Region 8 meeting. He stressed that there should be bidirectional communication and involvement of the Section Chairs. He asked everybody to speak up and participate in the discussions.

4. Adoption of the Agenda

Marko Delimar presented the agenda; it was approved unanimously as shown below.

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7. Approval of the Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was presented by Marko Delimar and was adopted unanimously.

The Region 8 committee gave voting rights to the appointed Turkey Section chair.

The reports and presentations that follow can be found at:
http://www.ieeer8.org/category/committee/meetings/2012-march-berlin/

301. IEEE Region 8 Director's Report

Marko Delimar, Region 8 Director gave a tribute to Dr. Roger Pollard who unfortunately has passed away on 3 December 2011 while serving as the Secretary of IEEE and a member of the IEEE Board of Directors, and a moment of silence was kept in his memory. He went through the SWOT analysis of our Region and said that some challenges and opportunities have been tangled and progress has been made. He then introduced the members of the committee; he stated its mission and vision, went through some key facts and characteristics, talked about some recent Conferences and activities. He then pointed out some challenges for the future. He gave an overview of last year's events, introducing the new Sections and Subsections in our Region and he also mentioned the upcoming events. He talked of the establishment of Section officers' term limits. Then he went on giving the key challenges of Region 8: Africa, Cooperation with European agencies, and Conferences.

317. IEEE President's Address

Gordon Day IEEE President said that IEEE Region 8 is very important for IEEE. This can be seen by the IEEE HQ participation in this meeting and it is also a sign of IEEE's globalization. Some of the bigger Sections of IEEE are based in this Region and it covers the largest geographic area. He is committed in supporting our Region and one of his priorities is IEEE and European Union relations, the Brussels office and the Standards advancement in the area. Also he would like to support and help our members from our Brussels office. He is very much in humanitarian activities in IEEE and especially in Africa and urged members to support these initiatives. He believes that as an organization we should push more to bring technology throughout the world, working together with UN, Unesco and other organizations. They are also working to help members in all parts of our Region with different projects because Region 8 is very diverse and he invited everybody to talk to him about their individual needs.

316. Message from the Executive Director

IEEE Executive Director **James Prendergast**, gave a brief update of IEEE activities. He said that we should be very proud that our membership has reached the record of 426 thousand members together with a society membership increase. 2011 *Xplore* usage has hit a new high and conferences are also doing very well with better quality than before. Major initiatives are now going on in IEEE: IEEE Business Platform (IBP), IEEE Conference Exchange (ICX) and Integrated Content Project (ICP). He then talked of the Analytics/SAMIEEE Deployment Plan. He finished by giving the IEEE Five Year Aspiration: By 2016, IEEE will be the global provider of choice, and #1 in customer satisfaction, for services and products that empower people to discover, develop, and deliver technology. We will achieve this by:
– Delivering a best-in-class user experience by aggressively leveraging technologies
– Increasing nimbleness, speed to market, and operational efficiencies
– Driving high employee engagement and leadership excellence
– Creating new opportunities for member and customer engagement
– Ensuring our long term future through increased financial growth, strength & stability

314. MGA Report

MGA Managing Director, Member and Geographic Activities, **Cecelia Jankowski**, presented the main MGA activities and her main thoughts for the MGA strategy for 2013. She gave some member statistics and then she presented some new products like IEEE TV, Volunteer Desktop, memberNet and Center for Leadership Excellence. She stressed that MGA is truly focused on the member and not on the membership. An update was given on all the functions and future plans for MGA. She also talked on the legal status of the IEEE Sections and all the efforts that are being made at the moment with the hiring of a special legal counselor to help the Sections. In Region 8 some Sections are going to become blocking entities for handling reasons: Switzerland, South Africa and Dubai. The Sections will be individually contacted for further processing.

315. Section Reserves

MGA Managing Director, Member and Geographic Activities, **Cecelia Jankowski**, presented the main idea on the Sections reserves policy of MGA. The main reason for this new policy is for MGA to be able to cover some of the financial losses from the Sections reserves. MGA will be contacting all the Sections and let them know what the situation is according to the criteria that were decided. Hopefully no cash will be taken from the Sections. The rules for this policy could change in the future.

304. Region 8 Strategic Direction

Jozef Modelski, Past Region 8 Director and Strategic Planning Chair gave his vision and mission of Region 8 and the key steps needed to realize them. He gave the primary challenges for the Region.

302. Secretary's Report

Secretary **Costas Stasopoulos** gave an account of the Region 8 meeting in San Francisco. He mentioned that the web pages of the Sections are very important and that some Sections do not have a web page. He thanked all Region 8 Committee members for their support and cooperation, and also George Michael, the Electronic Communications Coordinator.

303. Treasurer's Report

Brian Harrington, the Region 8 Treasurer, gave the Present Financial Position of the Region. The financial results for the year 2011 show to a large extent the volatile nature of the financial environment in which Region 8 is operating. The Region realized a largely balanced result. However, as Region 8 trades USD currency to buy local currency to finance its operations, it is sensitive to exchange rate fluctuations. As at the 31st December, 2011 there was a loss in the Net Worth of the Region as compared with the start of year which was equivalent to $24,620. Further progress was made on cost control. He concluded that the performance of the Region 8 finances is steady under uncertain market conditions.

305. Section Development and Vitality

Martin Bastiaans, IEEE R8 Director-Elect explained what Section Vitality is. The goal is to increase member engagement, improve relationships with and between members, increase operational efficiency and effectiveness, enhance collaboration with other business units and increase membership. He talked of Section size and the average Section size in our region, the rejuvenation of the Section's ExCom, the vitality and the Section reporting. He then gave some guidelines on how to reach these goals and some success factors for vitality.

308. Technical Activities

Saurabh Sinha, R8 V/C Technical Activities, started by giving an overview of the webinars and other activities that took place during the last few months and the outreach towards chapter chairs and conference organizers. Then he presented the Chapter Coordination Subcommittee (ChCSC), the Conference Coordination Subcommittee (CoCSC), the R8 Conference Activities Subcommittee, Educational Activities Subcommittee (EASC), Industry Relations Subcommittee(IRSC), the Standards Coordinator, the TAB "Committees" Liaisons and the Technical Publications Coordinator. For each of the Subcommittees he gave detailed information on the past and future events and activities highlighting their success and pointing the direction they should go in the future.

309. Conferences

Carl Debono, R8 Conference Coordinator**,** gave a presentation on the Conference Coordination Subcommittee and of its key events during the past months. The past and the future conferences were seen and analyzed.

320. Standards

Steve Mills, President of the IEEE Standards Association, talked about the changing International standards paradigm. The traditional model is well known and is based on geographic and political borders. Now we have the emergence of a complementary model which is market driven and is borderless. As an example he gave the Internet. He ended by saying that standardization like markets is borderless. The Standards Association should move to a bold strategic direction; embracing a new, more nuanced, dual-model international standards paradigm. IEEE should be seen as an international organization with strong global participation and should be irresistible to the standards community .

319. Pre-University Activities

Liz Burd, Chair PECC, talked about the IEEE SC2011 recommendation number 5 (To encourage interest in pre-university students in engineering careers) and how they have responded to it by starting a monthly publication for students ages 14-18. She then talked on the IEEE SC2011 recommendation number 1, to develop a comprehensive long-term strategy to increase the number of next generation youth pursuing science and engineering careers and how they will address the issue.

306. Member Activities Report

Ali El-Mousa, R8 V/C Member Activities started by introducing the GOLD team and gave the key facts and activities of the group. He urged everybody to create a GOLD affinity group. He stressed that having different activities in local level for GOLD is a key issue in having satisfied members. Then he presented the Professional Activities team giving their goals and plans. They organize activities to enchase members' careers in soft skills, management, communications and others. Proffesional Activities team can help members in these changing times in gaining new skills and in job looking. The Membership Development team was presented where local activities and personal contact are very important. Member retention is a key word here. He then gave some member statistics and information on e-membership. He talked about Life Members, their activities and future events. He continued with the Women in Engineering and their activities. There are many WIE affinity groups and many events have been happening. He then presented the R8 website team and gave information on the new R8 web site which is under development. He then gave some information on the Region 8 News.

306a. GOLD

Saima Kaissi, GOLD Activities Chair, gave a general overview of the GOLD growth, activities and events. She urged the section chairs to establish new GOLD Affinity Groups. Then she talked of the future activities and especially of the GOLD Congress to be held in Madrid in July.

306b. Membership Development

Dirk Van Hertem, Membership Development Coordinator, talked of the IEEE Region 8 Membership retention and recruitment. He gave some vital statistics for 2012; he also talked of the recruitment efforts and results, and he gave the outreach strategy for arrears recovery. Finally he urged the Section Chairs to help in member recovery.

321. Workshops

Ali El-Mousa, R8 V/C Member Activities gave the guidelines for the workshops. R8 OpCom identified the following issues:
1- Identify the top two good and two bad section practices that sections in Region 8 are engaged in.
2- How do sections perceive member engagement and what are the top two best practices or activities and how do they pursue that? Also try to find the bad or negative issues related to this.

3- Discuss issues to do with the public visibility of IEEE within the sections and what activities and practices can be done to enhance it.

<mark>Recess</mark>

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318. IEEE 2013 and Beyond

Peter Staecker, 2012 IEEE President-Elect, talked of Strategic Planning and the old and new model. The new model involves scenarios to set Strategic directions and make opportunistic experiments. He talked of the trends that change our strategy: Open Access is changing from threat to reality, Education: the virtual classroom, social media and dynamic social networks will disrupt, membership model, impact of the Cloud (big data) on content distribution, companies like *Factual*, *Northern Lights* redefining the business of data mining and knowledge, standards development migrating from politically driven to global business/technology–driven.
Our approaches to our current businesses can change. He gave the *knowledge business* – with 6 complementary and synergistic segments:
– Standards
– Publications
– Conferences
– Education
– Membership
– Public Imperatives
What are the next steps?
We have to define directions (goals) for the future, take actions that move towards goals, follow/encourage other activities within IEEE that have strategic purpose/value, develop and refine an approach for subsequent years.

313. President-elect Candidates' Debate

Eva Lang, the host of the President-elect Candidates' Debate, presented the two candidates, **Roberto de Marca** and **Tariq Durani.** After a brief introductory speech, they answered in turn questions that were put forward by the R8 committee members.

310. Call for Nominations

Jozef Modelski, Chair of the Nominations and Appointments Subcommittee, stressed that the mission of the Region 8 Nominations and Appointments (N&A) SubCommittee is to identify qualified candidates for the elected and appointed positions of Region 8 and its Subcommittees. The positions that they were looking for are:
R8 2013-2014 Secretary (two years commitment)
R8 2013-2014 Treasurer (two years commitment)
R8 2013 Vice Chair, Member Activities (one year commitment)
R8 2013 Vice Chair, Student Activities (one year commitment)
R8 2013 Vice Chair, Technical Activities (one year commitment)
Three new members (term 2013-2014) of the R8 Nominations and Appointments Subcommittee
(two years commitment)
Elections will be held during the Fall 2012 R8 Committee Meeting.

307, 307a, 307b, 307c. Student Activities, Student Branch Congress, Student Awards, Student 50th Anniversary Activities

Elias Nassar, R8 V/C Student Activities started by introducing all the members of his team and gave the goals of his committee. He stressed the important issue of communicating with student members and the efforts made towards this direction. He then gave an overview of Student Membership in R8, he presented the student activities that took place in 2012 and upcoming events like the SPC 2012 in Madrid and others. He invited the two President Elect candidates to come to Madrid where a debate will also take place. Then he invited **Jorge Pacheco,** member of the SBC 2012 organizing committee to talk about the Student Branch and GOLD Congress Madrid 2012. He talked of the preparations and the program of the Congress that will take place on July, 25 to 29 in Madrid, Spain. He urged the Section Chairs to encourage their Student and GOLD members to attend the Congress. **Simay Akar**, Student Branch Coordinator, Liaison to TA gave some information on the Region 8 50th Anniversary Student Event. **Jef Beerten,** Student Awards & Contests coordinator talked on Student awards and Student Professional Activities and **George Paunovich,** Student Paper Contest Coordinator talked of the student paper contest. **Elias Nassar,** talked on Electronic Communications for Students and then he asked the Section Chairs for their help in order to promote the student activities. **Jorge Soares**, Student Representative asked several Section Chairs (Benelux, Germany, Greece, Lithuania, Serbia, Portugal, UKRI, South Africa**),** to talk about their Student activities through an interactive process.

311. 50th Anniversary Activities

Kurt R. Richter, IEEE R8 Jubilee Book Coordinator showed the editorial board for the Jubilee Book and he then explained the details on the Web-based Book on the Printed Book, on the R8 News – Special Issue and of the Anniversary Celebrations. He also explained the progress made with the oral history project. He urged the Section Chairs to make their inputs to these projects. He finished by giving some information on the creation of the Region 8 archive. **Martin Bastiaans,** IEEE R8 Director-Elect, mentioned of the special brosure that was made for the 50 year anniversary. He then presented 4 different dates (in 1962 and 1963) that can be considered as the birth date of Region 8. He then said that the celebrations of the 50th anniversary are not over yet but they will continue with various events until the next Spring meeting of Region 8. He also urged the Sections to celebrate locally, as well.

312. Awards

Charles Turner, the Awards and Recognitions Subcommittee Chair, explained why awards and recognitions are important in IEEE, how to generate awards activities and an Awards awareness program and how to begin the process in each Section. He also urged the participants to propose candidates for various awards.

He then presented the 2012 Region 8 Volunteer Award:
The Subcommittee received three nominations and decided to give the award to:
Michel-Henri Carpentier (France Section)

Eva Lang and **Pilar Molina** presented the Clementina Saduwa Award to:
Wejdan Abu-Elhaija, Princess Sumaya University for Technology, Jordan

Daniel Pasquet presented the IEEE Region 8 Chapter of the Year Award to:
Best large chapter: UKRI Computational Intelligence Society chapter
Chapter Chair: Damien Coyle
Best small chapter: Lebanon Communications Society chapter
Chapter Chair: Zaher Dawy
Judges: Mihaela Albu, Ana-Maria Dumitrescu, Tamas Ruzsanyi, Jan Machac

Marko Delimar presented the 2011 Region 8 Volunteer Award: Vladimir Dimcev, Republic of Macedonia

Marko Delimar and **Costas Stasopoulos** presented awards to Italy and Greece Section chairs for exemplary service in hosting the IEEE Region 8 Operating Committee Meeting in Rome, Italy and in Athens, Greece respectively and to the UKRI Section chair for hosting the 96th IEEE Region 8 Committee meeting in London, United Kingdom.

321. Workshops

Ali El-Mousa, IEEE Region 8 Vice-Chair, Member Activities gave a summary of the results of the workshops in the 4 topics with the help of Greece Section chair **Athanasios Skodras** and the Lebanon Section chair **Ghassan Shaban**:
Best Practices for Sections:
Sponsor and involve student branches in section activities including organizing a student day
Organize competition to recognize best student branch, best chapter, best thesis, and presenting them for regional and global IEEE awards
Having IEEE booths in all conferences to promote IEEE membership development
Bad Practices for Sections:
Having no effective communication and no proper activities within the section
Lack of diversity in most ExCom's e.g. lack of a good mix of different academic campuses, industry, age, gender and not having new blood
Offering free benefits e.g. membership, conference fees, etc.
Not changing inefficient officers
Not updating the website regularly
Best Practices for Member Engagement:
Motivating members by helping them improve their professional capabilities e.g. writing and presenting technical papers
Recognizing members during annual gatherings and other events (Awards, Media presence, e-publicity) e.g. members who have been elevated to the grade of Fellow
Collaborating with other Local Technical Societies and Industry in organizing events
Milestone ceremonies

Use of social media like facebook to allow members to express their views
Best Practices for IEEE Visibility:
Organizing events that touch community concerns and showing the role of IEEE in tackling these
issues
Having IEEE get involved in pre-university programs that are done at community service level
e.g. EPICS TISP, Science fairs
Getting Local Authorities and Industrial Figures to be involved in IEEE activities
Ali said that the detailed results will be posted on the internet and that feedback to them will be appreciated.

322. General Discussion

Pilar Molina stated her general concern concerning the Sections reserves and the new rules of MGA. **Marko Delimar** temporarily handed over the chairmanship to **Martin Bastiaans** in order to be able to answer the question and state his personal opinion. He said that Sections should participate in the profit and loss of IEEE. He said that more involvement of the Sections should be encouraged in the future and better communication between Sections and MGA should be encouraged. **Nihal Sinnadurai** suggested that MGA should delay the implementation of the new policy for one year in order to give time to the Sections and their Chapters to adjust to the new reality and use their reserves for the benefit of their members. As a Section they do comply with the rules but if you add the reserves of the Chapters then they go above it. **Marko Delimar** said that he will bring the subject to the MGA board. He said that Sections are responsible for their Chapters. He continued by saying that this new policy is not made in order to punish the Sections but it was made in order to make IEEE more operational and business like. He urged the Sections to use their reserves for the benefit of their members. **Okyay Kaynak** said that as a member of the MGA board he agrees that this is a decision that had to be taken and it moves us into a more unified IEEE. **Peter Farkas** said that this new rule has retroactive effect which is not fair for the Sections. **Marko Delimar** took the responsibility to talk to MGA on better communication in both ways. **Jan Haase** made a suggestion to limit time of presentations during Region 8 meetings and give more time for discussion and exchange of ideas.

323. New Business

TO: Region 8 Committee
SUBJECT: IEEE R8 Industry Awards
FROM: IEEE R8 Industry Relations Subcommittee (IRSC)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
Industry plays a key role in shaping the future of IEEE as well as acts as a catalyst to support all IEEE activities. This award is intended to recognize the efforts of distinguished industry personnel as well as companies who play major role in promoting IEEE activities within Region 8. This award will be an annual award that will be presented and awarded to the following:
1. Distinguished Industry (Company) Award
2. Distinguished Industry Leader Award
3. Industry Special Award (active individual)

PROPOSED ACTION:
These three awards will be presented annually by IEEE Region 8 Director to the awardee or his/her representative during the Fall R8 Committee Meeting. The Industry relations subcommittee (IRSC) in collaboration with the Region 8 Awards and Recognition Subcommittee (ARC-8) will solicit input from all sections, R8 subcommittees and others as deemed necessary. IRSC will be the overall responsible body to manage, advertise and collect all inputs and summarize the findings supported by the Awards and Recognition subcommittee. The following will constitute the members who will work closely to select the winners of this award. This subcommittee will consist of the following members:
1. ARC-8 or his/her representative
2. IRSC Coordinator
3. Industry Awards Committee Chair (appointed, on recommendation of IRSC, by VC-TA)
4. VC-TA (Ex-officio)
The IRSC Coordinator shall work closely with ARC-8 and others to ensure that all nominees are from industry and have performed major contribution to R8 activities as defined in the Procedures and Guidelines (to be formulated).
Financial Implications
- Accommodations to be provided by R8. Travel expenses will be for the awardee expense. Plaques to be provided to each estimated cost per Plaques (Euro 200). Upon a recommendation by the relevant Vice-Chair, exceptions to the above need to be approved by the R8 Director.
Pros:

Recognize efforts of all selected candidates and encourage them to continue their support

Increase Industry membership

Build strong long lasting relationships with industry

Encourage other industries to participate in future IEEE R8 events

Cons:

Financial expenditures but will be compensated by the benefits obtained

The motion was adopted.

TO: IEEE Region 8 Committee – 31 March - 1 April 2012
FROM: Nele Reynders, Region 8 GOLD Subcommittee
SUBJECT: Name change of the current R8 GOLD Outstanding Activity Award to Region 8 GOLD Outstanding Affinity Group Award

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Region 8 GOLD Subcommittee wants to change the name of the current award ('Region 8 GOLD Outstanding Activity Award') to 'Region 8 GOLD Outstanding Affinity Group Award'

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Financial Implications

No financial implications.

Pros and/or Cons

This name change is meant as an improvement towards the recognition of GOLD AGs, so that the award not only rewards a certain activity or a specific GOLD chair, but rather that it rewards a specific GOLD AG for a full year of its activities. The R8 GOLD Subcommittee strongly believes that this improved name will honor the entire team that makes a GOLD AG successful and that it will motivate the GOLD AGs in Region 8 to be even more active than they are at this moment.

Implementation

The R8 GOLD subcommittee will take steps to define the award rules, announce it, ask for nominations, define clear selection criteria, perform the selection and announce the winner. The R8 awards subcommittee will officially prepare a suitable certificates defined by the award rules and will recommend the proper place and time for suitably delivering the award.

Background Information

The current motion for the Region 8 GOLD Outstanding Activity Award has been approved in the Region 8 meeting in Vilnius, April 2006 and the motion states:

"The R8 Committee approves the generation of a Region 8 GOLD Outstanding Activity Award. This is a certificate, which can be ordered, printed and framed by IEEE Piscataway. The recipient will be invited to receive the certificate from the R8 Director at an appropriate venue.

Champion: Rolf Remshardt

Approved on Consent Agenda"

The last time the motion was put in action, i.e. the award was given to a GOLD AG Chair, was in 2011. The recipient was Egypt GOLD for their activities throughout 2010. The award was presented at the Region 8 meeting in San Francisco, August 2011. The proposed amended motion states:

"The R8 Committee approves the name change of the current Region 8 GOLD Outstanding Activity Award to Region 8 Outstanding GOLD Affinity Group Award. The award is a certificate. The recipient representative of the AG will be invited to receive the certificate from the R8 Director at an appropriate venue."

The motion was adopted.

324. Next Meeting

The next Region 8 Committee meeting will be held in Tallinn, Estonia on 6-7 October 2012. Urmet Janes gave a small presentation on Tallinn and invited everybody to attend the meeting.

325. Adjournment

The Region 8 Director moved to end the Region 8 Committee meeting. The motion was adopted.
Adjourn

Section Officers, Affinity Group Chairs, and Chapter Chairs

– with their Position Start Dates – as available from SAMIEEE on 11 September 2012

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Austria Section

Chair	1-2-2012	Peter Roessler
Vice Chair	1-2-2012	Margrit Gelautz
Secretary	1-2-2012	Peter Palensky
Treasurer	1-1-2009	Thilo Sauter
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-11-2006	Albert N Treytl
Chapter Coordinator	1-1-2008	Dietmar Bruckner
Educational Activities	1-11-2006	Peter Roessler
Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2009	Reinhard Pfliegl
Membership Development	1-11-2006	Martin Horauer
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2008	Jan Haase
Organization	5-5-2010	Martin Pongratz
Professional Activities	1-1-2011	Gerhard Zucker
SAMIEEE Recipient	29-10-2007	Friederich Kupzog
SAMIEEE Recipient	26-3-2009	Josef Mitterbauer
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2012	Martin Pongratz
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-2-2012	Jan Haase
Student Activities	1-1-2010	Manfred Sampl
Student Representative	1-2-2012	Jan Thomasberger
Webmaster	1-1-2009	Joseph Wenninger
Austria Ch., EMC27	1-1-2010	Kurt Lamedschwandner
Austria Ch., IM09	9-7-2012	Georg A Brasseur
Austria Ch., PE31	28-3-2011	Michael Muhr
Austria Ch., RA24	20-5-2011	Gerald Steinbaver
Austria Ch., SMC28	19-10-2009	Edgar Weippl
Austria Jt.Ch., CAS04/SSC37	12-11-2008	Gernot Hueber
Austria Jt.Ch., IA34/PEL35/IE13	20-5-2011	Annette Muetze
Austria Jt.Ch., MTT17/COM19	1-5-2012	Wolfgang Boesch
Austria/Czech/Hungary/Slovenia Jt.Ch., TM14	1-6-2011	Michael Heiss

Bahrain Section

Chair	22-6-2001	Isa S Qamber
Vice Chair	26-9-2007	Wafeeq Ajoor
Secretary	1-1-2010	Ahmed El hamaky
Treasurer	1-1-2003	Abdali A Al-Wazeer
Membership Development	1-1-2008	Adel Ahmed Hamed
Student Activities	1-1-2008	Fawzi Al-Jowder
Bahrain Affinity Group, WIE	14-4-2009	Eshaa M Alkhalifa

Belarus Section

Chair	31-12-2009	Valentin V Baranov
Vice Chair	1-1-2010	Valeri A Mikhnev

Secretary/Treasurer	1-1-2005	Alexander Chizh
Membership Development	1-1-2008	Sergei A Malyshev
Student Activities	1-1-2003	Vladimir M Lutkovski
Belarus Ch., PHO36	1-1-2011	Alexander Chizh
Belarus Ch., TM14	20-8-1998	Vladimir V Apanasovich
Belarus Jt.Ch., ED15/MTT17	29-5-1996	Sergei A Malyshev

Benelux Section

Chair	1-1-2011	Wilhelm C Van Etten
Vice Chair	1-1-2011	Luc A Vandendorpe
Secretary	1-1-2011	Arjan Meijerink
Treasurer	17-1-2012	Dirk Rabaey
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2011	Martin J Bastiaans
Committee Chair	9-5-2012	Guido Volleberg
Coordinator	1-1-2008	K Van T Klooster
Educational Activities	23-11-2011	Wouter Olthuis
Electronic Communications Coordinator	1-1-2011	Dirk Van Hertem
Membership Development	1-1-2010	Dirk Van Hertem
Professional Activities	1-1-2011	Valentijn De Smedt
Student Activities	1-1-2011	Dirk Van Hertem
Student Representative	1-1-2009	Steven Thielemans
vTools Coordinator	1-2-2011	Geert L Deconinck
Benelux Ch., C16	9-5-2012	Stephan Wong
Benelux Ch., CAS04	1-1-2004	Nick P VanDerMeijs
Benelux Ch., CE08	1-1-2007	Kees A Immink
Benelux Ch., CEDA44	4-1-2009	Ed F Deprettere
Benelux Ch., CIS011	1-1-2011	Cristian E Onete
Benelux Ch., ED15	1-1-2008	Jurriaan Schmitz
Benelux Ch., EMB18	1-1-2007	Peter H Veltink
Benelux Ch., EMC27	1-1-2007	Frank B Leferink
Benelux Ch., IM09	13-6-2012	Reinoud F Wolffenbuttel
Benelux Ch., IT12	1-1-2007	F M J Willems
Benelux Ch., PHO36	1-1-2012	Mirvais Yousefi
Benelux Ch., RA24	9-8-2012	Raffaella Carloni
Benelux Ch., SP01	1-1-2011	Francois Horlin
Benelux Ch., SSC37	2-12-2011	Patrick Reynaert
Benelux Ch., TM14	1-1-2000	Robert E Bierwolf
Benelux Jt.Ch., AES10/GRS29	25-4-2012	Mark J Bentum
Benelux Jt.Ch., AP03/MTT17	1-1-2011	Guy A Vandenbosch
Benelux Jt.Ch., PE31/IA34/PEL35	1-1-2010	Pavol Bauer
Benelux Jt.Ch., VT06/COM19	10-2-2012	Homayoon Nikookar
Benelux Affinity Group, GOLD	1-1-2011	Valentijn De Smedt
Benelux Affinity Group, WIE	28-6-2012	TeodoraEmilia Motoasca

Bosnia and Herzegovina Section

Chair	1-1-2011	Dusanka Boskovic
Vice Chair	1-1-2011	Milorad M Bozic
Secretary	1-1-2011	Omer Tanovic
Treasurer	1-1-2011	Sabina Dacic

Educational Activities	1-1-2006	Novica S Nosovic
Membership Development	26-10-2007	Dusanka Boskovic
vTools Coordinator	1-1-2011	Samir Ribic
Bosnia and Herzegovina Ch., COM19	29-5-2007	Narcis Behlilovic
Bosnia and Herzegovina Ch., PE31	1-6-2011	Elvisa Becirovic
Bosnia and Herzegovina Ch., SMC28	15-10-2011	Jasmin Velagic
Bosnia and Herzegovina Jt.Ch., CIS11/C16	1-5-2012	Sasa Mrdovic
Bosnia and Herzegovina Affinity Group, WIE	1-1-2008	Lejla Banjanovic-Mehmedovic
Bosnia Andherzegovina Affinity, GOLD	1-1-2012	Aleksandar Mastilovic

Bulgaria Section

Chair	1-9-2008	Rossitza I Goleva
Vice Chair	1-9-2008	Jordan N Kolev
Secretary	1-9-2008	Ivan G Buliev
Treasurer	1-1-2006	Katya K Asparuhova
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2009	Georgi K Stoyanov
Educational Activities	1-1-2001	Marin H Hristov
Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2008	T D Neshkov
Membership Development	1-1-2011	Maria V Neuova
Professional Activities	1-1-2003	Boris P Tsankov
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2011	Maria V Neuova
Student Activities	1-1-2009	George R Balabanov
Student Representative	1-1-2009	Kiril Kassev
Bulgaria Ch., C16	1-1-2004	Zdravko G Karakehayov
Bulgaria Ch., CIS011	1-4-2009	Mincho B Hadjiski
Bulgaria Ch., COM19	17-6-1999	Peter T Antonov
Bulgaria Ch., RA24	1-1-2006	T D Neshkov
Bulgaria Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17/CPMT	1-1-2005	Katya K Asparuhova
Bulgaria Jt.Ch., CAS04/SSC37	18-1-1998	Valeri M Mladenov
Bulgaria Jt.Ch., ED15/SSC37 (Varna)	1-1-2011	Ivan G Buliev
Bulgaria Jt.Ch., ED15/SSC37 (Varna)	1-1-2011	Vladimir S Jotsov
Bulgaria Jt.Ch., IM09/CS23/SMC28	1-8-2008	Vladimir S Jotsov

Croatia Section

Chair	1-1-2009	Igor Kuzle
Vice Chair	1-1-2009	Mislav Grgic
Secretary	1-1-2009	Maja Matijasevic
Treasurer	31-1-2009	Aleksandar Szabo
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2011	Sven Loncaric
Chapter Coordinator	1-1-2012	Hrvoje Pandzic
Conference Coordinator	1-1-2009	Mislav Grgic
Educational Activities	1-8-1994	Leo Budin
Electronic Communications Coordinator	16-6-2012	Vlatka Paunovic
Industry Relations Coordinator	20-5-2009	Marko Lackovic
Membership Development	1-7-1995	Aleksandar Szabo
Professional Activities	1-1-2009	Kresimir Delac
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2009	Jelena Bozek
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SAMIEEE Recipient	9-7-2012	Vlatka Paunovic

Student Activities	1-1-2011	Jelena Bozek
Student Representative	1-1-2011	Iva Bojic
Webmaster	16-6-2012	Vlatka Paunovic
Croatia Ch., AP03	1-1-2009	Radovan Zentner
Croatia Ch., C16	1-1-2010	Domagoj Jakobovic
Croatia Ch., CAS04	1-1-2009	Drazen Jurisic
Croatia Ch., CIS011	10-7-2012	Marko Cupic
Croatia Ch., COM19	1-1-2011	Ivana Podnar
Croatia Ch., CS23	1-1-2008	Stjepan Bogdan
Croatia Ch., E25	1-1-2010	Davor Skrlec
Croatia Ch., EMB18	1-1-2010	Igor Lackovic
Croatia Ch., EMC27	30-9-2010	Antonio Sarolic
Croatia Ch., IA034	1-1-2012	Hrvoje Pandzic
Croatia Ch., IE13	19-2-2011	Zvonko J Bencic
Croatia Ch., IM09	28-9-2010	Hrvoje Dzapo
Croatia Ch., MTT17	9-8-2011	Davor Bonefacic
Croatia Ch., PE31	1-1-2012	Igor Kuzle
Croatia Ch., PEL35	1-1-2008	Zeljko Jakopovic
Croatia Ch., RA24	18-11-2010	Zdenko Kovacic
Croatia Ch., RL07	1-1-2012	Zdenko Simic
Croatia Ch., SMC28	28-9-2010	Fran L Jovic
Croatia Ch., SP01	1-1-2009	Davor Petrinovic
Croatia Ch., TM14	1-1-2012	Dubravko Sabolic
Croatia Jt.Ch., AES10/GRS29	19-9-2011	Juraj Bartolic
Croatia Jt.Ch., ED15/SSC37	1-1-2010	Tomislav Suligoj
Croatia Affinity Group, GOLD	1-10-2010	Ana Katalinic
Croatia Affinity Group, LM	1-1-2012	Branka Zovko-Cihlar
Croatia Affinity Group, WIE	1-1-2012	Vlatka Paunovic

Cyprus Section

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Vice Chair	1-1-2012	Marios S Antoniou
Secretary	1-1-2012	Elias Kyriakides
Secretary/Treasurer	1-1-2012	Constandinos Mavromoustakis
Treasurer	1-1-2010	Elias Kyriakides
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2012	Stavros Iezekiel
Educational Activities	1-1-2012	Vasos Vassiliou
Membership Development	1-1-2012	Christos Panayiotou
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2012	Aikaterini Papanikolaou
Professional Activities	1-1-2008	Charalambos A Pavlides
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2001	Costas A Economides
SAMIEEE Recipient	8-11-2011	George Michael
vTools Coordinator	1-1-2012	George Michael
Cyprus Ch., C16	1-1-2010	Constandinos Mavromoustakis
Cyprus Ch., CIS011	4-5-2012	Demetrios G Eliades
Cyprus Ch., COM19	1-1-2004	Costas M Stasopoulos
Cyprus Ch., PE31	1-1-2004	Panayiotis C Symeoy
Cyprus Jt.Ch., EMB18/SP01	22-4-2009	Efthyvoulos K Kyriacou
Cyprus Affinity Group, GOLD	12-7-2012	Irina Ciornei

Czechoslovakia Section

Chair	1-1-2012	Peter Farkas
Vice Chair	1-1-2012	Milan Polivka
Secretary	1-1-2010	Tomas Fryza
Treasurer	1-1-2010	Jan Sistek
Educational Activities	1-1-2012	Martin Rakus
Membership Development	1-1-2012	Lubomir Brancik
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2010	Jiri Sebesta
Nominations and Appointments Chair	1-1-2009	Martin Slanina
vTools Coordinator	1-11-2011	David Wolansky
Webmaster	1-1-2005	Jan P Cernocky
Czechoslovakia Ch., CIS11	23-3-2009	Peter Sincak
Czechoslovakia Ch., CS23	1-1-2006	Zdenek Hurak
Czechoslovakia Ch., EMB18	14-8-2006	Jan Vrba
Czechoslovakia Ch., NPS05	17-3-2009	Stanisl Pospisil
Czechoslovakia Ch., PE31	15-4-2009	Ivan Petruzela
Czechoslovakia Ch., SMC28	8-3-2010	Vaclav Snasel
Czechoslovakia Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17/EMC27	1-1-2010	Jiri Drinovsky
Czechoslovakia Jt.Ch., IA34/IE13	22-1-2010	Valeria Hrabovcova
Czechoslovakia Jt.Ch., SP01/CAS04/COM19	1-1-2009	Josef Dobes
Czechoslovakia Affinity Group, GOLD	1-1-2010	Martin Slanina

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Nominations and Appointments Chair	1-1-2004	Ove Skovgaard
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2001	Peer Martin Larsen
Student Activities	1-1-2008	Neeli R Prasad
Student Activities	1-1-2008	Tom Hoeholdt
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Denmark Ch., C16	12-12-2011	Paul Pop
Denmark Ch., EMB18	31-5-2011	Preben Kidmose
Denmark Ch., PE31	28-3-2011	Jacob Ostergaard
Denmark Jt.Ch., CS23/RA24	1-1-2003	Thomas Bak
Denmark Jt.Ch., IE13/IA34/PEL35	25-7-2012	Soren B Kjaer
Denmark Jt.Ch., VT06/AESS10/IT12/COM19	1-1-2003	Ramjee Prasad

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Educational Activities	3-1-2011	Ihab A Aly

Membership Development	3-1-2011	Ahmed F Shalash
Professional Activities	3-1-2011	Amr A Adly
SAMIEEE Recipient	21-6-2012	Amr M Safwat
Student Activities	1-1-2006	Nevin M Darwish
Student Representative	9-11-2010	Hossam Mohamed Fahmy
Egypt Ch., AP03	1-1-2001	Hadia M El-Hennawy
Egypt Ch., C16	1-1-2010	Samir I Shaheen
Egypt Ch., COM19	1-10-2009	Ahmed F Shalash
Egypt Ch., CS23	1-10-2009	Hany M Elsayed
Egypt Ch., E25	1-1-2009	Sohier M Sakr
Egypt Ch., EMB18	17-10-2006	Ahmed Morsy
Egypt Ch., IA34	1-1-2011	Amr A Adly
Egypt Ch., PE31	1-1-1994	Soliman M El Debeiky
Egypt Ch., RA24	31-1-2012	Alaa M Khamis
Egypt Ch., SP01	1-1-2006	Salwa H Elramly
Egypt Jt.Ch., ED15/MTT17	1-1-2011	Essam Abd El H Hashish
Egypt Affinity Group, GOLD	1-11-2010	Mohammed R Badwi
Egypt Affinity Group, WIE	3-1-2009	Nevin M Darwish

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Educational Activities	1-1-2010	Vello Kukk
Membership Development	1-1-2007	Urmet Janes
Professional Activities	1-1-2010	Urmet Janes
Webmaster	1-2-2008	Urmet Janes
Estonia Ch., E25	23-4-2009	Vello Kukk
Estonia Jt.Ch., C16/COM19	9-4-2007	Gert Jervan
Estonia Jt.Ch., IM09/ED15/EMB18	1-1-2011	Olev Martens
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Gold Representative	1-1-2012	Janne Lauri
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Student Activities	31-12-2011	Francescantonio DellaRosa
Finland Ch., C16	1-6-1989	Olli E Simula
Finland Ch., CIS011	6-1-2003	Erkki Oja
Finland Ch., CPMT21	1-1-2011	Matti Mantysalo
Finland Ch., VT06	1-1-2007	Riku Jantti
Finland Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17	1-1-2006	Arttu Luukanen
Finland Jt.Ch., COM19/IT12	1-1-2008	Harri T Saarnisaari
Finland Jt.Ch., CS23/RA24/SMC28	28-6-2012	Ville H Kyrki
Finland Jt.Ch., IE13/PE31/IA34/PEL35	8-11-2011	Kai F Zenger
Finland Affinity Group, GOLD	1-1-2012	Janne Lauri

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Professional Activities	1-2-2008	Lucian D Dascalescu
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2001	Christi J Nora
Student Activities	1-2-2008	Abderrahim Benslimane
Webmaster	1-1-2011	Christophe Paoli
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France Ch., C16	1-1-2005	Francis Rousseaux
France Ch., CAS04	1-1-2005	Olivier P Sentieys
France Ch., CIS011	1-1-2008	Bernadette R Bouchon Meunier
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France Ch., CPMT21	30-6-2011	Yves Ousten
France Ch., CS23	23-11-2010	Ahmed Rachid
France Ch., E25	22-8-2003	Veronique Perdereau
France Ch., ED15	1-1-2007	Mireille Mouis
France Ch., EMB18	23-2-2012	Guy Cazuguel
France Ch., EMC27	1-1-2000	Andre Berthon
France Ch., GRS29	16-12-2010	Gregoire M Mercier
France Ch., IT12	1-4-1993	Gerard Cohen
France Ch., MAG33	11-11-2008	Bernard Dieny
France Ch., MTT17	1-10-2005	Philippe Eudeline
France Ch., NPS05	14-12-2000	Jean-Luc Leray
France Ch., OE22	1-1-1999	Rene M Garello
France Ch., PE31	1-3-2012	Sebastien Henry

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France Ch., RA24	15-8-2011	Philippe Fraisse
France Ch., SMC28	22-4-2002	Abdelkader ElKamel
France Ch., SP01	1-1-2003	Jacques Blanc-Talon
France Ch., SSC37	7-11-2000	Laurent Fesquet
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SAMIEEE Recipient	1-6-2010	Stephan Wagner
Student Activities	1-1-2009	Martin Stotzer
Webmaster	8-9-2011	Stephan Wagner
Germany Ch., C16	1-1-2006	Joerg Henkel
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Germany Ch., CIS011	12-12-2003	Andreas Koenig
Germany Ch., COM19	1-1-2004	Hermann M Rohling
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Germany Ch., E25	18-10-2004	Fanny Klett
Germany Ch., ED15	1-1-2009	Joachim Burghartz
Germany Ch., EMC27	1-1-2008	Frank Sabath
Germany Ch., GRS29	1-4-2008	Irena Hajnsek
Germany Ch., IM09	16-7-2004	Olfa Kanoun
Germany Ch., IT12	1-1-2012	Rudolf Mathar
Germany Ch., MAG33	21-1-2009	Juergen Fassbender
Germany Ch., PE31	1-1-2012	Wolfram H Wellssow
Germany Ch., PHO36	20-1-1997	Dieter Jaeger
Germany Ch., SP01	1-1-2004	Udo Zoelzer
Germany Ch., SSC37	19-11-1999	Holger Blume
Germany Ch., TM14	1-1-2009	Klaus-Dieter Heerklotz
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Germany Jt.Ch., IE13/IA34/PEL35	1-1-2011	Axel Mertens
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Germany Affinity Group, GOLD	10-10-2011	Andreas Neumeier
Germany Affinity Group, WIE	22-4-2010	Tiziana Bertoncelli

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Professional Activities	1-1-2010	Ioannis M Stephanakis
Student Activities	1-1-2010	Kostas Karpouzis
Greece Ch., C16	11-6-2002	Nectarios G Koziris
Greece Ch., CE08	28-3-2011	Athanasios Kakarountas
Greece Ch., CIS011	15-11-2005	Ioannis Pitas
Greece Ch., COM19	1-1-2010	George K Karagiannidis
Greece Ch., CS23	1-1-2007	Anthony P Tzes
Greece Ch., E25	16-7-2004	Anastasia N Kastania
Greece Ch., EMB18	1-1-2010	Dimitrios Fotiadis
Greece Ch., PE31	1-1-2010	Anastasios G Bakirtzis
Greece Ch., SP01	1-1-2010	Kostas D Berberidis
Greece Jt.Ch., CAS04/SSC37	1-1-2010	Alkiviades Hatzopoulos
Greece Jt.Ch., ED15/MTT17	1-1-2010	Rodoula T Makri
Greece Jt.Ch., IE13/IA34/PEL35	22-8-2003	Stefanos Manias
Greece Jt.Ch., VT06/AES10	28-5-2012	Dimitrios Efstathiou
Greece Affinity Group GOLD	1-11-2007	Nicolas G Sklavos
Greece Affinity Group, LM	7-10-2011	Athanasios N Safacas

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Gold Representative	1-1-2011	Balint Nemeth
Membership Development	1-1-2011	Levente Kovacs
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2011	Peter Kadar
Student Activities	1-1-2011	Richard Cselko
Webmaster	1-1-2006	Peter Kadar

Hungary Ch., CIS011	1-1-2011	Janos Fodor
Hungary Ch., PE31	1-1-2005	Laszlo Jermendy
Hungary Ch., SMC28	1-1-2011	Laszlo Horvath
Hungary Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17/COM19	1-1-2011	Lajos Nagy
Hungary Jt.Ch., CAS04/C16	1-1-2008	Geza Kolumban
Hungary Jt.Ch., IE13/RA24	1-1-2005	Jozsef K Tar
Hungary Jt.Ch., IM09/EMB18	26-7-2011	Tadeusz P Dobrowiecki
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Hungary Affinity Group, LM	31-10-2011	Gabor Ban

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Membership Development	1-1-2011	Karl S Gudmundsson
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-7-2002	Jon A Benediktsson
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2006	S E Thorsteinsson
Iceland Jt.Ch., SP01/CAS04	15-6-2011	Magnus Ulfarsson

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Gold Representative	1-1-2009	Ashkan R Kian
Industry Relations Coordinator	1-4-2011	Gevorg B Gharehpetian
Membership Development	1-1-2012	Sadjaad Ozgoli
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2010	Farzaneh Abdollahi
Nominations and Appointments Chair	1-1-2009	Reza Faraji-Dana
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Student Activities	1-1-2009	Behrooz Vahidi
Webmaster	1-1-2009	Mojgan Azizi
Women in Engineering	1-1-2010	Fariba Bahrami

Iraq Section

Chair	21-6-2008	Sattar Bader Sadkhan
Iraq Ch., COM019	5-7-2011	Sattar Bader Sadkhan
Iraq Affinity Group, GOLD	10-9-2010	Mohammed H Yasen

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Assistant	13-9-2010	Jacob Baal-Schem
Assistant	13-9-2010	Raphael Hoyda

Membership Development	1-1-2002	Anthony J Weiss
Student Activities	13-9-2010	Jacob Scheuer
Israel Ch., AES10	13-9-2010	Yaakov Oshman
Israel Ch., C16	1-1-2002	Leah Goldin
Israel Ch., COM19	13-9-2010	Itai Dabran
Israel Ch., ED15	1-1-2003	Gady Golan
Israel Ch., EMB18	19-1-2011	Amit Gefen
Israel Ch., EMC27	1-1-2002	Moshe Z Netzer
Israel Ch., IT12	1-1-2006	Uri Erez
Israel Ch., PHO36	13-9-2010	Ady Arie
Israel Ch., PSE43	13-9-2010	Steli P Loznen
Israel Ch., RA24	17-2-2010	Hugo Guterman
Israel Ch., SP01	13-9-2010	Arie Yeredor
Israel Ch., SSC	15-11-2011	Solon J Spiegel
Israel Jt.Ch., AP03/MTT17	1-1-2004	Shmuel Auster
Israel Jt.Ch., CAS04/CS23	13-9-2010	Ezra Zeheb
Israel Jt.Ch., IE13/IA34	21-11-2011	Irad Ben-Gal
Israel Affinity Group, LM	1-11-2002	Jacob Baal-Schem
Israel Affinity Group, WIE	17-11-2009	Yael Nemirovsky

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Educational Activities	1-1-2010	Stefano Zanero
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Gold Representative	26-7-2010	Maurizio Migliaccio
Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2008	Raffaele Esposito
Membership Development	1-1-2006	Dario Petri
Professional Activities	1-1-2006	Gaspare Galati
Student Activities	1-1-2006	Giuliano Manara
Italy Ch., AES10	1-6-1990	Gaspare Galati
Italy Ch., BIO46	1-1-2010	Massimo Tistarelli
Italy Ch., C16	1-1-2008	Stefano Zanero
Italy Ch., CAS04 (C&S)	1-1-2006	Paolo Arena
Italy Ch., CAS04 (North)	1-6-2001	Marco Gilli
Italy Ch., CIS011	29-6-2010	Vincenzo Loia
Italy Ch., CS23	17-8-1998	Giuseppe L Conte
Italy Ch., DEI32	16-9-1996	Gian Carlo Montanari
Italy Ch., E25	29-9-2005	Massimo De Santo
Italy Ch., ED15	6-4-2011	Fernanda Irrera
Italy Ch., EMB18	26-7-2006	Sergio Cerutti
Italy Ch., EMC27	1-1-2010	Giulio Antonini
Italy Ch., GRS29 (Central)	30-5-2011	Simonetta Paloscia
Italy Ch., GRS29 (South)	25-4-2003	Maurizio Migliaccio
Italy Ch., IA34	17-11-2010	Giuseppe Parise
Italy Ch., IM09	1-1-2010	Salvatore Baglio
Italy Ch., MAG33	1-1-2008	Ermanno Cardelli

Italy Ch., NANO42	23-11-2009	lorenzo pavesi
Italy Ch., NPS05	22-5-2001	Alessandro Rizzo
Italy Ch., OE22	16-6-2011	Andrea Trucco
Italy Ch., PE31	1-1-2008	Alfredo Testa
Italy Ch., PHO36	24-5-2012	Stefano Selleri
Italy Ch., RA24	1-1-2011	Gianluca Antonelli
Italy Ch., RL07	1-1-2011	Francesco Di Maio
Italy Ch., SMC28	1-1-2006	MariaPia Fanti
Italy Ch., SP01	10-10-2011	Carlo Regazzoni
Italy Ch., SSC37	21-4-2006	Andrea Baschirotto
Italy Ch., SYS45	1-1-2010	Paolo Carbone
Italy Ch., TM14	25-1-2011	Corrado Lo Storto
Italy Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17 (North)	1-1-2007	Giuseppe Vecchi
Italy Jt.Ch., AP03/MTT17 (C&S)	9-5-2011	Luciano Tarricone
Italy Jt.Ch., IA34/PEL35 (C&S)	12-3-1997	Alfio Consoli
Italy Jt.Ch., IE13/IA34/PEL35 (North)	1-7-2000	Silverio Bolognani
Italy Jt.Ch., VT06/COM19	1-1-2011	Dajana Cassioli
Italy Affinity Group, GOLD	1-1-2008	Cosimo Stallo
Italy Affinity Group, LM	21-3-2012	Stefano Levialdi

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Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2012	Moussa H Abdallah
Membership Development	5-7-2011	Feras M Diab
Student Activities	1-1-2012	Bassam Ali Al-Romaithi
Jordan Ch., COM19	14-4-2011	Ghazi M AlSukkar
Jordan Ch., E25	11-6-2009	Ali H El-Mousa
Jordan Jt.Ch., CIS011/C16	11-8-2010	Majid A Al Taee
Jordan Jt.Ch., CIS011/C16	22-2-2012	Mousa Tawfiq AL-Akhras
Jordan Jt.Ch., PE31/DEI32	1-9-2009	nabeel ibrahim tawalbeh
Jordan Affinity Group, GOLD	26-5-2011	Mohammad H Salah
Jordan Affinity Group, WIE	1-1-2012	Arwa M Jwaifel
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Kenya Ch., C16	31-10-2011	Vincent Kaabunga

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Newsletter Editor	1-1-2010	Rania Azmi
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Treasurer	1-1-2012	Yuri Merkuryev
Membership Development	1-1-2012	Nadezhda Kunicina
Professional Activities	1-1-2012	Anastasia Zhiravetska
Latvia Ch., C16	1-1-2011	Janis Grundspenkis
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Lebanon Ch., C16	20-3-2009	Aziz M Barbar
Lebanon Ch., COM19	1-1-2009	Zaher H Dawy
Lebanon Jt.Ch., AP03/MTT17/MAG33	8-7-2010	Elias Nassar
Lebanon Jt.Ch., PE31/CAS04/PEL35	22-2-2009	Ahmed Bachir Adra
Lebanon Affinity Group, GOLD	1-8-2011	Marc Joe Georges Chedid
Lebanon Affinity Group, WIE	12-3-2010	Mariette awad

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Chair	1-1-2011	Dalius Navakauskas
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Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2006	Adolfas Telksnys
Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2011	Borisas Levitas
Membership Development	1-1-2011	Arturas Serackis
Student Activities	1-1-2012	Dalius Matuzevicius
Student Representative	1-1-2012	Darius Plonis
Webmaster	1-1-2011	Arturas Serackis
Lithuania Ch., E25	11-6-2009	Roma Rinkeviciene
Lithuania Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17	1-1-2006	Vytautas Urbanavicius
Lithuania Jt.Ch., SP01/CIS11/COM19	1-1-2011	Sarunas Paulikas

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Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2012	Saviour Zammit
Membership Development	24-5-2012	JeanMarie Darmanin
Professional Activities	1-1-2011	Conrad Attard
Student Activities	1-1-2009	Tracey Cassar
Student Representative	1-1-2012	Nicholas Attard
Malta Affinity Group, GOLD	14-6-2012	Dylan Seychell

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Serbia and Montenegro Ch., EMC027	6-5-2011	Vesna Javor
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SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2001	Andrej Zemva
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Switzerland Jt.Ch., AP03/MTT17/EMC27	1-1-2008	Michael Mattes
Switzerland Jt.Ch., CAS04/ED15	1-1-2012	Shih-Chii Liu
Switzerland Jt.Ch., SP01/C16/COM19	1-1-2000	Hans-A Loeliger
Switzerland Affinity Group, GOLD	24-6-2011	Mihail Prundaru
Switzerland Affinity Group, LM	16-4-2010	Hugo F Wyss
Switzerland Affinity Group, WIE	19-5-2011	Andreea Maria Picu
Switzerland Affinity Group, WIE	19-5-2011	Maria Paun

Tunisia Section

Chair	21-6-2008	Mourad Loulou
Vice Chair	1-1-2009	Farhat Fnaiech
Secretary	1-3-2011	Faouzi Bouani
Treasurer	1-1-2011	Mohamed Jmaiel
Membership Development	12-2-2012	Jaleleddine Ben Hadj Slama
Nominations and Appointments Chair	1-1-2011	Ksouri Mekki
SAMIEEE Recipient	20-10-2008	Adel M Alimi
SAMIEEE Recipient	20-10-2008	Farhat Fnaiech

Tunisia Ch., AES10	1-1-2010	Monji Kherallah
Tunisia Ch., C16	1-1-2010	Adel M Alimi
Tunisia Ch., CAS04	26-12-2008	Mourad Loulou
Tunisia Ch., CEDA44	24-3-2009	Mourad Fakhfakh
Tunisia Ch., CIS11	1-1-2011	Ilhem Kallel
Tunisia Ch., COM19	17-2-2012	Abdelfettah Belghith
Tunisia Ch., E25	6-7-2011	Mohamed Ben Ammar
Tunisia Ch., EMB18	3-8-2009	Mounir Ben Ayed
Tunisia Ch., IA34	5-10-2010	Haikal El Abed
Tunisia Ch., MTT17	17-7-2009	Gharsallah Gharsallah
Tunisia Ch., RA24	27-5-2009	Taktok H Bezine
Tunisia Ch., SMC28	1-1-2011	Adel M Alimi
Tunisia Ch., SP01	12-1-2009	Chokri Benamar
Tunisia Affinity Group, GOLD	1-1-2011	Habib M Kammoun
Tunisia Affinity Group, WIE	3-8-2009	Ilhem Kallel

Sfax Subsection

Chair	20-11-2010	Adel M Alimi
Vice Chair	1-1-2012	Ilhem Kallel
Secretary/Treasurer	1-1-2012	Habib M Kammoun
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2012	Mounir Ben Ayed
Educational Activities	1-1-2012	Tarek M Hamdani
Membership Development	1-1-2012	Mohamed Koubaa
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2012	Dammak Majdi
Nominations and Appointments Chair	1-1-2012	Chokri Benamar
Professional Activities	1-1-2012	Badreddine Khelifi
Student Activities	1-1-2012	Chiraz Walha
Student Representative	1-1-2012	Boudour Cherif Ammar
vTools Coordinator	1-1-2012	Sonda Bousnina
Webmaster	1-1-2012	Yassine Aribi

Turkey Section

Professional Activities	1-1-2010	Can Ozturan
Student Activities	1-1-2010	Arif S Ogrenci
Turkey Ch., AES10	1-1-2002	Murat Efe
Turkey Ch., C16	1-1-2009	Ibrahim Korpeoglu
Turkey Ch., CAS04	1-1-2004	Izzet C Goknar
Turkey Ch., CIS011	1-1-2004	H L Akin
Turkey Ch., COM19	1-1-2009	Cem Ersoy
Turkey Ch., CS23	1-1-2010	Kemalettin Erbatur
Turkey Ch., EMB18	15-6-2005	Selcuk Comlekci
Turkey Ch., PE31	1-1-2010	Omer Usta
Turkey Ch., PHO36	1-1-2010	Hilmi V Demir
Turkey Ch., SMC28	24-6-2011	Okyay Kaynak
Turkey Ch., SP01	1-1-2010	A Tanju Erdem
Turkey Ch., TM14	1-1-2007	Haluk A Tekbulut
Turkey Jt.Ch., AP/ED/MTT/EMC	1-1-2009	Birsen Saka
Turkey Jt.Ch., IE13/RA24	1-1-2006	Hakan Temeltas
Turkey Affinity Group, GOLD	14-6-2010	Bilge Akdogan

UK & Rep of Ireland Section

Chair	1-1-2012	Nihal F Sinnadurai
Vice Chair	1-3-2012	Stephen J Nightingale
Secretary	23-3-2012	Mona Ghassemian
Treasurer	1-1-2010	Nicholas G Wright
Chapter Coordinator	1-1-2012	Izzet Kale
Conference Coordinator	1-1-2012	Marwan M Al-Akaidi
Educational Activities	1-1-2011	Oussalah Mourad
Industry Relations Coordinator	1-1-2012	Nihal F Sinnadurai
Membership Development	23-3-2012	Wim J Melis
SAMIEEE Recipient	10-12-2007	C W Turner
Student Activities	1-1-2011	Andreas Koltes
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., AES10	1-3-1992	Hugh D Griffiths
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., C16	1-1-2005	Frank Z Wang
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., CAS04	1-1-2002	Izzet Kale
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., CIS011	1-1-2009	Damien Coyle
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., COM19 (UK)	1-1-2010	Zabih Ghassemlooy
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., CS23	12-10-2010	Argyrios C Zolotas
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., DEI32	18-12-2009	Paul L Lewin
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., E25	1-1-2007	C W Turner
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., ED15 (Scotland)	18-4-2012	David R Cumming
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., EMB18	1-1-2010	C J James
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., EMC27	1-1-2011	Paul A Vertannes
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., IA34	1-1-2005	Amir Hussain
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., IE13	12-10-2010	Bucur M Novac
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., IM09	22-4-2003	Izzet Kale
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., IT12	11-9-1997	B Honary
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., PE31	10-5-2011	Luis F Ochoa
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., PEL35	1-1-2008	Patrick C Luk
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., PHO36	1-1-2010	Graham A Turnbull
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., RA24	1-1-2011	John Oliver Gray
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., SIT30	21-10-2009	Christopher A Brewster
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., SMC28	1-1-2010	Hui Wang
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., SMC28 (Ireland)	1-1-2010	A G Hessami
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., SP01	1-1-1999	Marwan M Al-Akaidi
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., SSC37 (Ireland)	3-12-1998	Michael P Kennedy
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., SSC37 (Scotland)	28-10-1999	Jim J Brown
UK & Rep of Ireland Ch., VT06	20-5-2011	Oliver D Holland
UK & Rep of Ireland Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17/PHO36	1-1-2000	Ali A Rezazadeh
UK & Rep of Ireland Jt.Ch., BT02/CE08	1-1-2011	Ezendu I Ariwa
UK & Rep of Ireland Jt.Ch., COM19/CS23 (Ireland)	1-1-2009	Kang Li
UK & Rep of Ireland Jt.Ch., ED15/PHO36 Dublin	23-9-2011	Patrick J Mcnally
UK & Rep of Ireland Jt.Ch., R07/CPMT21	1-1-2002	Nihal F Sinnadurai
UK & Rep of Ireland Jt.Ch., TM14/PC26	1-1-2006	Alan Pilkington
UK & Rep of Ireland Affinity Group, LM	23-6-2006	Roland J Saam
UK & Rep of Ireland Affinity Group, WIE	10-3-2005	Teresa M Schofield

Ukraine Section

Chair	1-1-2012	Valerii Jakov Zhuikov

Vice Chair	1-1-2012	Julia Yamnenko
Secretary	1-1-2012	Evgen Sergeevich Pichkalyov
Treasurer	1-1-2012	Anna Kyselova
Educational Activities	1-1-2012	Eugene Vasilievich Korotkiy
Membership Development	1-1-2012	Anton A Popov
Professional Activities	1-1-2012	Borys Pratsiuk
Student Activities	1-1-2012	Kateryna Osypenko
Student Representative	1-1-2012	Dmytro Mikolaiets
Ukraine Ch., COM19	30-4-2012	Larisa S Globa
Ukraine Ch., PHO36	1-1-2008	Igor Sukhoivanov
Ukraine Jt.Ch., AP/NPS/AES/ED/MTT/GRS (East)	1-1-2009	Oksana V Shramkova
Ukraine Jt.Ch., AP/NPS/AES/ED/MTT/GRS (East)	1-1-2011	Kostyantyn V Ilyenko
Ukraine Jt.Ch., AP03/ED15/MTT17/CPMT21/SSC37 (West)	13-10-2009	Iryna B Ivasenko
Ukraine Jt.Ch., CAS04/IM09/C16/MTT17	1-1-2004	Volodymyr M Dubovoy
Ukraine Jt.Ch., ED/MTT/CPMT/COM/SSC (Kiev)	1-1-2011	Prokopenko Y Vasiliyevich
Ukraine Jt.Ch., ED15/MTT17 (Rep of Georgia)	1-1-2011	Giorgi N Ghvedashvili
Ukraine Jt.Ch., IE13/PE31/PEL35	1-1-1999	Alex S Yandulsky
Ukraine Jt.Ch., IM09/CIS011	7-6-2005	Anatoly A Sachenko
Ukraine Jt.Ch., SP01/AES10	1-1-2012	Yuliya Averyanova
Ukraine Jt.Ch., SP01/AP03/C16/EMC27 (Kharkov)	1-1-2011	Oleksandr Mykolayovych Dumin
Ukraine Affinity Group, GOLD	14-6-2012	Evgen Sergeevich Pichkalyov

United Arab Emirates Section

Chair	1-1-2012	Maryam Al Thani
Vice Chair	1-1-2012	Hussian A M Al Ahmad
Secretary	1-3-2009	Essa I Basaeed
Treasurer	1-1-2010	Adeel Sultan
Assistant	1-1-2012	Balgees A Al-Daghar
Assistant	1-1-2012	Eesa M Bastaki
Assistant	1-1-2012	hassan ahmed omar
Awards & Recognition Committee Chair	1-1-2006	Abdullatif M Glass
Educational Activities	1-1-2012	Hend Alqamzi
Membership Development	1-1-2007	Adeel Sultan
Newsletter Editor	1-1-2012	G Vijaya
Nominations and Appointments Chair	1-1-2009	Abdullatif M Glass
Professional Activities	1-1-2012	Emine G Aydal
Public Relations	1-1-2012	Balgees A Al-Daghar
Student Activities	1-1-2010	Mahmoud A AlQutayri
Technical Activities	1-1-2012	Wathiq M Mansoor
Webmaster	1-1-2012	Thomas Martin
United Arab Emirates Ch., C16	1-1-2010	Hussian A M Al Ahmad
United Arab Emirates Ch., CAS04	1-10-2010	Kahtan A Mezher
United Arab Emirates Ch., E25	2-8-2012	Jason W.P. Ng
United Arab Emirates Ch., EMB18	21-1-2009	Hasan A Al-Nashash
United Arab Emirates Jt.Ch, SP01/COM19	19-7-2004	Mohamed E Al-Mualla
United Arab Emirates Affinity Group, GOLD	22-3-2005	Fadi A Aloul
United Arab Emirates Affinity Group, WIE	1-1-2009	Boutheina Kzadri

Western Saudi Arabia Section

Chair	1-1-2009	Hafidh S Al-Samarrai
Vice Chair	1-1-2004	Mohamed A T Turki
Secretary	1-1-2011	Salahuddin Y Al-Assy
Treasurer	27-4-2012	Salahuddin Y Al-Assy
Educational Activities	30-4-2012	Malak Talal Al-Nory
Educational Activities	19-5-2012	sahar siraj shabanah
Industry Relations Coordinator	25-6-2012	Laila Bukhari
Membership Development	1-6-2008	Bander A Allaf
Western Saudi Arabia Ch., C16	1-5-2012	Akila Sarirete
Western Saudi Arabia Ch., PE31	15-7-2008	Bander A Allaf
Western Saudi Arabia Ch., PHO36	12-5-2011	Boon S Ooi
Western Saudi Arabia Affinity Group, WIE	19-2-2010	Reem H Turky

Zambia Section

Chair	15-11-2008	Reuben Kapala Munungwe
Vice Chair	1-1-2009	Gertjan van Stam
Treasurer	1-1-2009	Bellington C Kabwe
Chapter Coordinator	1-1-2009	Gertjan van Stam
Educational Activities	1-1-2009	Lemba D Nyirenda
Membership Development	1-1-2009	Custom T Nthara
Membership Development	1-1-2009	Kingfrey Kaoma
Professional Activities	1-1-2009	Lemba D Nyirenda
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-1-2011	Mpaisha Phiri

Algeria Subsection

Chair	6-4-2012	Fateh Krim
Vice Chair	6-4-2012	Amar Tilmatine
Secretary	6-4-2012	Messaouda Azzouzi
Treasurer	6-4-2012	Mouloud Challal
Chapter Coordinator	6-4-2012	Abdelmalek Khezzar
Conference Coordinator	6-4-2012	Salaheddine Zouzou
Editor-in-Chief	6-4-2012	MohamedLamine Tounsi
Educational Activities	6-4-2012	Hocine Benalla
Industry Relations Coordinator	6-4-2012	Ahmed Boubakeur
Membership Development	6-4-2012	Tarek Mohamed Khadir
Nominations	6-4-2012	Amina Chentir
SAMIEEE Recipient	20-4-2012	Fateh Krim
SAMIEEE Recipient	1-6-2012	Abdelmalek Khezzar
Student Representative	6-4-2012	Mohamed Amine Moussa
Webmaster	6-4-2012	Said Yahiaoui
Algeria Ch., PE31	31-1-2012	Mohamed Boudour
Algeria Jt.Ch., IE13/IA34	8-6-2012	Fateh Krim

Botswana Subsection

Chair	15-11-2008	George O Anderson
Membership Development	1-1-2010	Ronny Orlando

Mauritius Subsection

Chair	27-6-2011	Krishna Seeburn
Secretary	22-2-2012	Vinaye Armoogum
Treasurer	22-2-2012	Pierre C Catherine
Mauritius Jt.Ch., C16/COM19/PE31	11-5-2011	Krishna Seeburn

Palestine Subsection

Chair	1-1-2012	Allam S Mousa
Vice Chair	1-1-2012	Aref Faruk Husseini
Secretary	1-1-2012	Hatem A Elaydi

Sudan Subsection

Chair	15-4-2012	Sharief F Babiker
Secretary	15-4-2012	Tarig A Khalid

Tanzania Subsection

Chair	9-8-2006	Zaipuna O Yonah
Secretary	18-8-2006	Christine Mwase
Treasurer	18-8-2006	Peter R Ulanga

Outside (Sub)sections

Azerbaijan Jt.Ch., COM19/C16	12-9-2011	Abzetdin Adamov
Uzbekistan Ch., COM019	20-7-2007	Nargiza Usmanova

Technical Societies and Councils and their codes

AES 10	Aerospace and Electronic Systems Society (IX)	
AP 03	Antennas and Propagation Society (IV)	
BIO 46	Biometrics Council (X)	
BT 02	Broadcast Technology Society (IV)	
C 16	Computer Society Society (V-VIII)	
CAS 04	Circuits and Systems Society (I)	
CE 08	Consumer Electronics Society (IV)	
CEDA 44	Council on Electronic Design Automation (I)	
CIS 11	Computational Intelligence Society (X)	
COM 19	Communications Society (III)	
CPMT 21	Components Packaging, and Manufacturing Technology Society (II)	
CS 23	Control Systems Society (X)	
CSC 41	Council on SuperConductivity (IV)	
DEI 32	Dielectrics and Electrical Insulation Society (II)	
E 25	Education Society (VI)	
ED 15	Electron Devices Society (I)	
EMB 18	Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (X)	
EMC 27	Electromagnetic Compatibility Society (IV)	
GRS 29	Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (IX)	
IA 34	Industry Applications Society (II)	
IE 13	Industrial Electronics Society (VI)	
IM 09	Instrumentation and Measurement Society (II)	
IT 12	Information Theory Society (IX)	
ITS 38	Intelligent Transportation Systems Society (IX)	
MAG 33	Magnetics Society (IV)	
MTT 17	Microwave Theory and Techniques Society (IV)	
NANO 42	Nanotechnology Council (I)	
NPS 05	Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society (IV)	
OE 22	Oceanic Engineering Society (IX)	
PC 26	Professional Communication Society (VI)	
PE 31	Power Engineering Society (VII)	
PEL 35	Power Electronics Society (II)	
PHO 36	Photonics Society (X)	
PSE 43	Product Safety Engineering Society (VI)	
R 07	Reliability Society (VI)	
RA 24	Robotics and Automation Society (X)	
SEN 39	Sensors Council (X)	
SIT 30	Social Implications of Technology Society (VI)	
SMC 28	Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society (X)	
SP 01	Signal Processing Society (IX)	
SSC 37	Solid-State Circuits Society (I)	
SYS 45	Systems Council (X)	
TM 14	Technology Management Council (VI)	
UFFC 20	Ultrasonics, Ferroelectrics, and Frequency Control Society (II)	
VT 06	Vehicular Technology Society (IX)	

Membership

Membership 11-9-12	AF	StM	GSM	S	A	M	LM	SM	LS	F	LF	Non-S	Total
Austria	*91*	92	194	**286**	81	854	10	75	7	8	3	**1038**	**1324**
Bahrain	*3*	18		**18**	2	60		13				**75**	**93**
Belarus		6	10	**16**	1	23		6				**30**	**46**
Benelux	*242*	176	523	**699**	102	2321	60	259	27	72	29	**2870**	**3569**
Bosnia and Herzegovina	*4*	20	47	**67**	9	134		7				**150**	**217**
Bulgaria	*7*	25	23	**48**	16	208		20				**244**	**292**
Croatia	*11*	45	142	**187**	11	452	12	45	2		1	**523**	**710**
Cyprus	*9*	34	41	**75**	2	187		21	2	1		**213**	**288**
Czechoslovakia	*33*	24	67	**91**	22	418	1	43	1	1	1	**487**	**578**
Denmark	*45*	20	96	**116**	27	592	23	62	8	7	3	**722**	**838**
Egypt	*13*	1057	182	**1239**	48	776	10	99	22	1	3	**959**	**2198**
Estonia	*6*	15	15	**30**	2	91		5				**98**	**128**
Finland	*46*	65	158	**223**	35	711	15	66	8	14	5	**854**	**1077**
France	*221*	168	314	**482**	248	2596	44	354	22	62	15	**3341**	**3823**
Germany	*573*	301	1233	**1534**	316	4996	86	511	39	87	49	**6084**	**7618**
Ghana	*7*	30	9	**39**	12	162		3				**177**	**216**
Greece	*75*	439	209	**648**	71	1147	14	133	11	16	3	**1395**	**2043**
Hungary	*13*	45	49	**94**	16	285	2	27	4	9	7	**350**	**444**
Iceland	*3*	37	6	**43**	3	50	3	8		1		**65**	**108**
Iran	*5*	538	537	**1075**	91	1248		76		1		**1416**	**2491**
Iraq	*3*	8	25	**33**	11	108		4				**123**	**156**
Israel	*57*	24	89	**113**	41	665	47	196	41	34	24	**1048**	**1161**
Italy	*288*	145	443	**588**	198	3015	67	470	15	96	33	**3894**	**4482**
Jordan	*7*	383	8	**391**	15	214	1	27	3		1	**261**	**652**
Kenya	*3*	16	5	**21**	4	93		1	1			**99**	**120**
Kuwait	*10*	61	11	**72**	7	125		15	1		1	**149**	**221**
Latvia	*5*	13	26	**39**	3	82	1	4				**90**	**129**
Lebanon	*3*	414	25	**439**	38	283	1	37	1	1		**361**	**800**

Lithuanian	*3*	4	5	**9**	4	68		9				**81**	**90**
Malta	*9*	12	28	**40**	11	109	1	6				**127**	**167**
Morocco	*4*	25	22	**47**	4	92		7				**103**	**150**
Nigeria	*25*	232	82	**314**	31	964	1	17	1			**1014**	**1328**
Norway	*61*	24	89	**113**	34	768	21	71	15	7		**916**	**1029**
Oman	*6*	26	2	**28**	5	87		21				**113**	**141**
Poland	*43*	73	84	**157**	39	642	4	123	13	11	3	**835**	**992**
Portugal	*61*	208	226	**434**	31	694	4	98	3	11		**841**	**1275**
Qatar	*9*	50	6	**56**	7	146	1	20	1	2		**177**	**233**
Republic of Macedonia	*2*	29	29	**58**	4	93		24	1	1		**123**	**181**
Romania	*36*	35	76	**111**	34	778	3	67	7	2	1	**892**	**1003**
Russia (Northwest)	*8*	62	26	**88**	12	152		26	1	1		**192**	**280**
Russia (Siberia)	*9*	9	30	**39**	12	162		19	1	1		**195**	**234**
Russia	*54*	43	39	**82**	67	483		27		2		**579**	**661**
Saudi Arabia	*39*	74	29	**103**	32	580		76	4	2	1	**695**	**798**
Serbia and Montenegro	*7*	51	104	**155**	24	493	3	27	3	4		**554**	**709**
Slovenia	*20*	16	30	**46**	14	225	7	13	5	1		**265**	**311**
South Africa	*21*	111	102	**213**	27	883	6	75	3	2	3	**999**	**1212**
Spain	*181*	282	398	**680**	136	2563	30	360	12	29	3	**3133**	**3813**
Sweden	*102*	70	390	**460**	79	1319	40	229	39	25	13	**1744**	**2204**
Switzerland	*191*	61	333	**394**	135	2009	119	173	23	57	26	**2542**	**2936**
Tunisia		189	174	**363**	45	238		13				**296**	**659**
Turkey	*29*	610	279	**889**	82	1006	3	103	6	12	3	**1215**	**2104**
U.K. & Rep of Ireland	*425*	404	1150	**1554**	358	6824	127	824	61	112	43	**8349**	**9903**
Ukraine	*8*	42	71	**113**	15	268	1	70	1	3	1	**359**	**472**
United Arab Emirates	*19*	532	59	**591**	46	749	2	95	1	1	1	**895**	**1486**
Western Saudi Arabia	*9*	54	36	**90**	16	230	1	23				**270**	**360**
Zambia	*1*		2	**2**	7	104		3				**114**	**116**
Outside Sections	*40*	333	81	**414**	42	620	2	28	2			**694**	**1108**
Apo/Fpo	*4*	15	9	**24**	3	90	2	7				**102**	**126**
Region 8 total	*3209*	7895	8478	**16373**	2788	45335	775	5241	418	697	276	**55530**	**71903**

Part II. OpCom Reports

Director's report (Marko Delimar)

The IEEE Region 8 Committee consists of IEEE Region 8 Section representatives, Operating Committee and Appointed Members. In the IEEE Region 8 Committee, Sections are represented by their Chairs. Section Chairs may appoint an alternate representative to the Region 8 Committee. The most recent list of Region 8 Sections and their representatives to the Region 8 Committee may be found on the Region 8 website (www.ieee.org/r8).

Vision: Region 8 is an effectively organized, dynamic and influential entity, recognized as a leading and esteemed part of a truly transnational IEEE, with IEEE benefits equally available to all members.

Mission: To serve the needs of the members of the Institute, the profession and society at large, by enhancing and supporting the IEEE's Organizational Units and their activities within Region 8.

Key Steps to realise the Mission:

- Provide a platform for coordination, motivation and interaction among R8 units
- Provide a link between the Region and other IEEE organizational units
- Work to achieve smooth and effective operations in different countries
- Recognizing cultural differences, and effectively cooperating with national societies and other organizations
- Expand IEEE presence and activities to new areas (geographic locations) in R8
- Promote the transnational nature of IEEE within the Region and the Institute

R8 Committee:

- Conducts two annual meetings of the Region leadership
  - Used for coordination of the Region business and for training
- Supports the activities of the local geographical units
- Coordinates meetings for technical and professional purposes throughout the Region
  - Including student events
- Coordinates activities between R8 entities and OUs from outside the Region
- Engages in member development

Organisational Units

01 January 2011

- 56 Sections
- 6 Subsections (2 outside Sections)
- 495 Society Chapters
- 57 Affinity Groups
- 342 Student Branches
- 69 Student Branch Chapters
- 40 Student Branch Affinity Groups

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- 56 Sections
- 10 Subsections (6 outside Sections)
- 523 Society Chapters
- 62 Affinity Groups
- 378 Student Branches
- 86 Student Branch Chapters
- 50 Student Branch Affinity Groups

The number of organisational units continues to grow, especially chapters and student branches. One subsection is currently in a process submitting a petition to become a Section.

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IEEE Region 8 membership data and trends
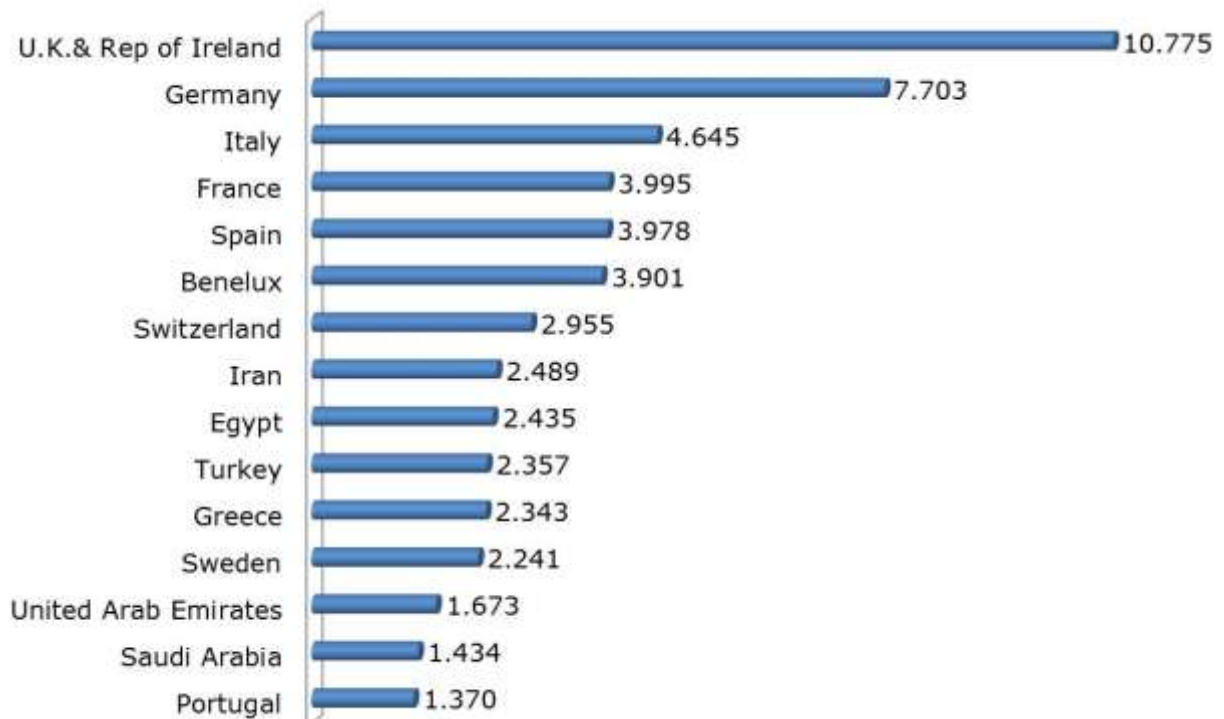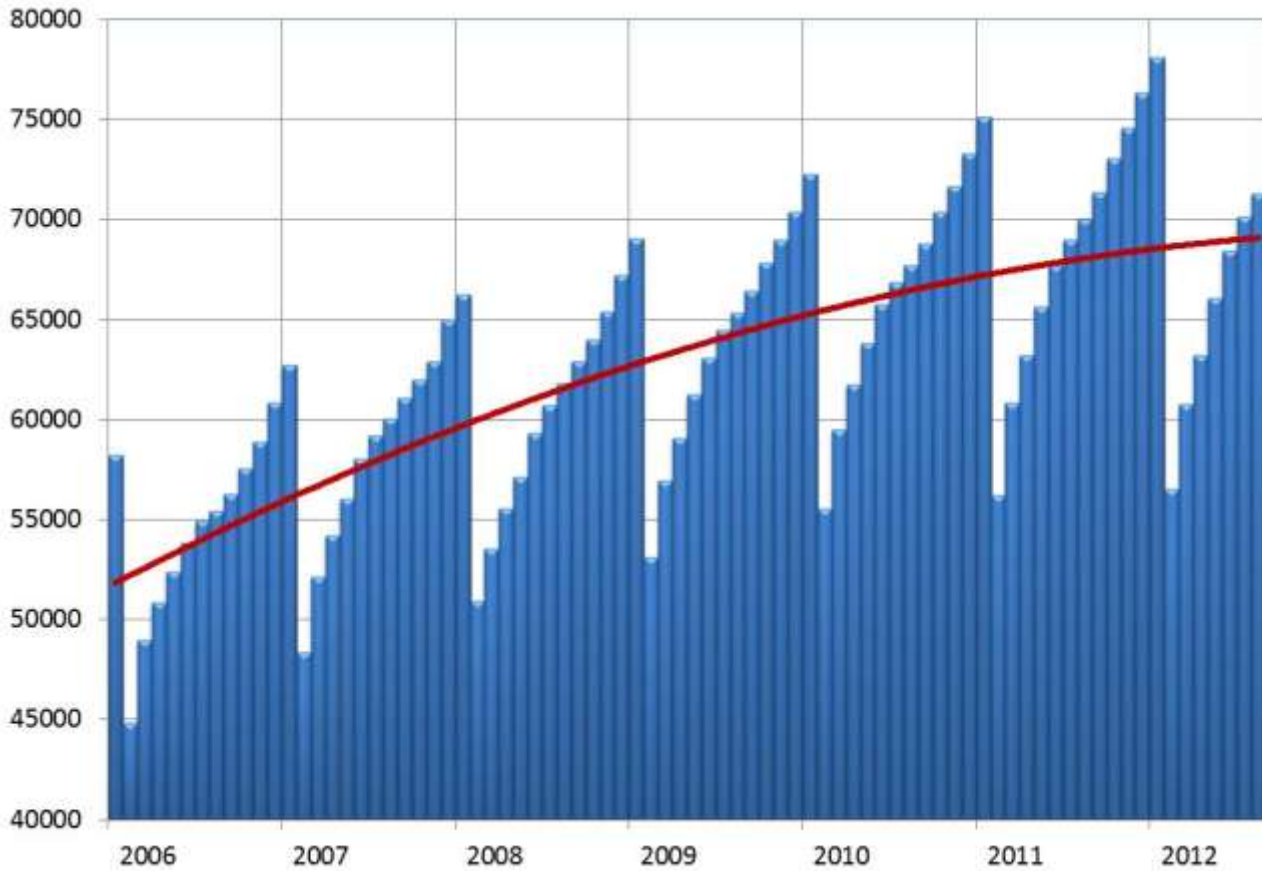
Membership Alert

- 23,233 members' service deactivated in Feb 2012
  (31% of Region 8's the total membership)
- Over past five year, R8 has averaged 25% of the total membership deactivated in February
- If the trend continues, Region 8's membership will go into decline

Region 8 Website

Region 8 website is still undergoing a renovation. The first stage has been completed. The website has been transferred to a new platform. The current version (still in temporary location) can be found here: www.ieeer8.org.

Officer's Term Limits

During the 25 June 2011 meeting the MGA passed the following motion:

1. All Section officers must be elected. This election can be conducted annually or every two years. An individual may serve two consecutive terms of office.
2. A lifetime term limit shall be established for Section officers. An individual shall not serve in a position for more than 3 terms (i.e. 6 years) provided there is at least a one term break.
3. The MGA Operations Manual to be revised to incorporate text which explains how an individual may be removed from the position and how an individual can be suspended from office.

Region 8 is under obligation to strictly enforce the officer term limit rules. This item will be discussed in the Region 8 Committee in an executive session.

2012 IEEE Region 8 Events

3-5 Feb	IEEE Region 8 Operating Committee Meeting, Athens, Greece
25-28 March	IEEE MELECON 2012, Yasmine Hammamet, Tunisia
30 Mar-01 Apr	IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting, Berlin, Germany
31 Mar	IEEE Region 8 50th Anniversary Celebration Event, Berlin, Germany
26-28 Aug	IEEE Region 8 Student Branch and GOLD Congress, Madrid, Spain
5-8 Sep	IEEE HISTELCON 2012, Pavia, Italy
9-12 Sep	IEEE ENERGYCON 2012, Florence, Italy
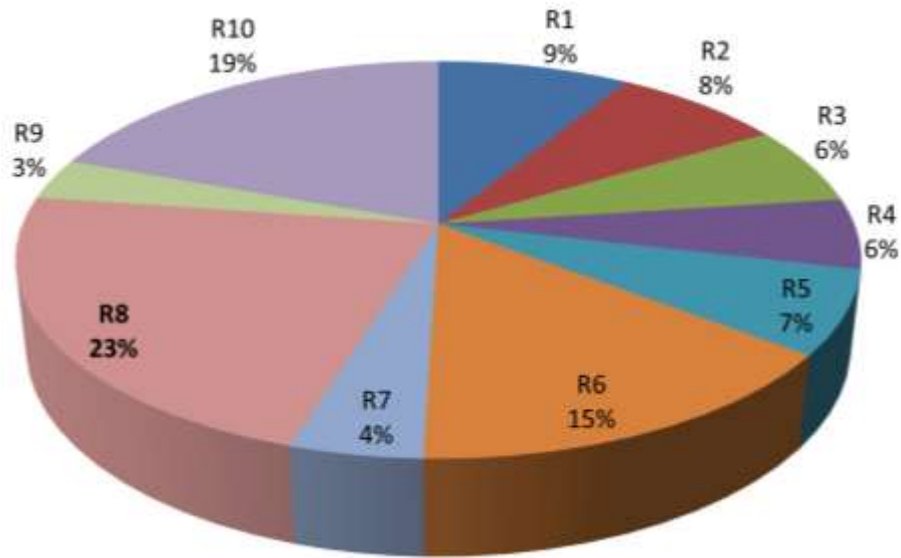
Society memberships by Region on 29 Feb 2012
(220127 total, 49451 in Region 8)

- Computer Society
- Communications Society
- Signal Processing Society
- Power & Energy Society
- Microwave Theory and Techniques Society
- Circuits and Systems Society
- Control Systems Society
- Solid-State Circuits Society
- Antennas and Propagation Society
- Industrial Electronics Society
- Electron Devices Society
- Power Electronics Society
- Robotics and Automation Society
- Computational Intelligence Society
- Industry Applications Society
- Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society
- Instrumentation and Measurement Society
- All others

Region 8 Society memberships on 29 Feb 2012
(listed societies have over 1000 members)

An Abbreviated SWOT Analysis

	GOOD	BAD
INTERNAL	**Strengths** • Strong and dedicated volunteer corps • Volunteer leadership development and succession planning • A large number of active and vibrant organizational units • Diversity of Members and Sections • Tradition of exchange of ideas and best practices • Established infrastructure for Region's activities, including conducting conferences, workshops, and student activities	**Weaknesses** • The size of the Region is incongruous with the resources available for its administration • IEEE market share in key areas is low • There are significant areas within the Region where IEEE visibility is very low • The disparity between different Sections in the Region does not support some "one size fits all" practices of IEEE • The operations of the Region are not optimized to take advantage of available cooperation and funding opportunities
EXTERNAL	**Opportunities** • Cooperation with local associations, governmental/intergovernmental organizations, and educational institutions • Cooperation with EU institutions, especially in the areas of Standards, Education and Accreditation • Member recruiting drives • Development of new IEEE OUs *This activity requires area-specific activities and creative solutions* • Conference activities in R8 *A change toward IEEE-owned conferences and surplus generating conferences for R8* • Accreditation opportunities (e.g., GCC)	**Threats** • Loss of members to aggressive recruiting by other local and global associations • Expanded activities of commercial publishers and conference providers in IEEE Fields of Interest in the Region • Perception of IEEE as "US-centric"

Closing Remarks

The full report will be presented during the Region 8 Committee meeting in Tallinn, Estonia on 6 October 2012. Please download the presentation from the Region 8 website.

Zagreb, 10 September 2012

Marko Delimar
2011-2012 IEEE Region 8 Director

Past-Director (Josef Modelski)

by Jozef Modelski
(March 14 - September 15)

Region 8

➢ **R8 Nominations and Appointments SubCommittee – Chair**
(see N&A SubCommittee Report)

- 2012 nominations timeline – presented and approved by R8 Committee during the Spring Meeting in Berlin
- Collecting nominations
- N&A SubCommittee meeting, 19-21 August, Cape Town – approving slates of candidates
- Distributing materials to R8 Committee

➢ **R8 Strategic Planning Committee – Chair** (see SP Committee Report)

- teleconferences with SPC Members and R8 Directors

➢ **OpCom –other activities**
- Meeting in Madrid (25-26 July), in conjunction with SBC
- Teleconferences with R8 Director and other OpCom Members

➢ **8th biannual IEEE R8 Student Branch and GOLD Congress (SBC 2012),**
Madrid, 25-29 July

- Technical lecture *Trends in Satellite Communications*, 26 July
- GOLD track *Region 8 OpCom for young professionals*, 27 July
- Non Technical Workshop, *R8 OpCom Q&A Session*, 28 July

➢ Presentation during **IEEE R8 Chapter Chairs Meeting**, in conjunction with *MIKON-2012 19th International Conference on Microwaves, Radar & Wireless Communications*,
Warsaw, 21 May

➢ Support to R8 Awards and Recognitions Committee by proposing candidates and endorsements letters

➢ Member of the R8 Jubilee Book's Editorial Board

IEEE Boards and Committees

➢ **Board of Directors Meetings and Teleconferences:**
- Meeting – 1-2 July, Boston
- Teleconferences – 31 May, 10 September

➢ **Division IV Director Elect activities**
TAB Division Directors Meeting (29-30 June 2012, Boston)
Division IV Meeting during the IEEE Meeting Series (29 June 2012, Boston)

➢ **IEEE Awards Board**
Teleconferences (19 April, 12 September)

➢ **Service Awards Committee**
Teleconferences (2 May, 8 August)

IEEE Conferences

- *M&RW 2012 Microwave and Radar Week*, 21-26 May, Warsaw - Chair of the Week
- *IMS 2012 International Microwave Symposium*, Montreal

Warsaw, 15 September 2012

V/C Member Activities (Ali El-Mousa)

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Vice Chair 2012

As R8 VC for Member Activities, I am responsible for planning, leadership, and guidance for activities relating to IEEE Region 8 members, including the areas of membership development, admission and advancement, affinity group programs (GOLD – Graduates of the Last Decade, WIE – Women in Engineering and Life Members), communication, history and professional (non-technical) activities. The R8 subcommittees looking after the affairs of each of the above areas were quite busy since our last meeting in Berlin. Perhaps, the main focus was intensive preparation for the R8 Student Branch Congress which took place in Madrid, Spain during the period of 25-29 July 2012. This time the number of attendees broke the record with 400+ coming not only from R8 but also from as far away as Central America and the US. This gives a clear indication of the prestige and reputation this congress has built through the years.

The SBC is a major event in R8 which brings together various GOLD and student members from across the region to meet, interact, discuss, learn and have a good time. It is really one major place to fulfil member interconnect and interact advantages offered by the IEEE. This year, the R8 GOLD team was heavily involved in the preparation and general organization of the sessions specifically the ones to do with GOLD. I attended several of these sessions and was delighted with the level of attendance and satisfaction. Also, for the first time in SBC, the R8 Professional Activities team was directly involved in the event as they also organized and supported several sessions that dealt with soft skills, management and leadership training and product design perspectives. I ended up replacing one of the trainers as she could not attend at the last minute for personal reasons. This allowed me to gauge again the level of interest and appreciation attendees have for such skills. I can confidently say that specifically under the current economic climate, such topics are very sought after and I highly encourage section chairs and geo unit leaders to take advantage of the activities and services provided by the R8 PA team.

The various subcommittee coordinators were asked to submit their expanded individual reports about their activities. You can find these reports on the Tallinn meeting web page. Additionally, a shorter version of these will be distributed during the R8 committee meeting for convenience.

Some brief comments about the subcommittees:

Membership Development (MD)

R8 MD is responsible for coordinating the information flow and all MD activities between IEEE and the sections, in order to facilitate membership development initiatives and events in R8 sections.

In late September the MD team held a special workshop for section and geo units MD officers. The session took place during the weekend of 22-23 in Leuven, Belgium. It consisted of full day sessions of training and interaction between the attendees and the MD team. A special session was held to explain and demonstrate the new SAMIEEE database tool that is used to easily retrieve member info and details which helps in section and geo unit management, event planning and general MD evaluation. I hope that we will be able to continue with such sessions despite the expense because it is felt that it highly motivates and helps MD officers and thus will have a positive impact on sections. I highly encourage sections and geo units to support their MD officers and facilitate the attendance of such workshops in the future.

Total IEEE membership as of end of August 2012 stands at 393,226 with an increase of 1.9% from last year for the same period. Region 8 membership stands at 71,282 with an increase of 1.8% over last year for the same period. R8 has a retention percentage of 72.8% for this year.

Professional Activities (PA)

Professional activities include all activities which are of interest to an IEEE member regarding her/his career and can enhance her/his non-technical professional skills. This includes, but is not limited to soft skills trainings, psychological and sociological issues within the business world as well as economics-related topics. In these times of economic uncertainties, it is strongly felt that it pays to add value to our members through engaging them within the sphere of PA.

R8 PA activities took center stage during the SBC 2012 in Madrid. Three parallel sessions with upward of 100+ participants from several sectors attended these sessions. The feedback was excellent and the PA subcommittee received several requests for holding similar events at section level. Already several are planned in the near future. I encourage section officers to make contact with the PA coordinator during the Tallinn meeting to discuss the possibility of holding such sessions in their sections.

Graduates of Last Decade (GOLD)

Graduates of Last Decade (GOLD) is the group of IEEE members that have completed their first academic degree within the last 10 years. The GOLD program has been established to provide the framework and tools for the sections' use in retaining recent graduates.

The Region 8 GOLD committee's task is to create awareness of and to promote GOLD programs in the Region for the identification and development of IEEE volunteer leaders and members. The committee acts as an active promoter, resource, and liaison for sections and branches to generate and support GOLD activities

The R8 GOLD team has been very active also during the SBC in Madrid as a large number of GOLDies attended. Several sessions were organized covering different subjects of interest given by world class invited speakers. I took part in several of these sessions and can report thet they were very successful. It engaged the participants and there were many interesting discussions and Q&As. Currently, the R8 team also is taking a leading role for the IEEE Day 2012 in October. A quick look at the IEEE Day celebrations map shows a high level of participation from across the globe.

I highly encourage the sections to fully support their GOLD officer as obviously GOLD activities are essential for section growth and member engagement.

Women in Engineering (WIE)

The mission of IEEE WIE is to facilitate the recruitment and retention of women in technical disciplines globally. The R8 WIE coordinator engages section WIE affinity groups and coordinators and offers advice and support for local WIE activities. In addition, she administers the yearly Clementina Saduwa Award and represents the region in the IEEE WIE committee. Note that the IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) is the largest international professional organization dedicated to promoting women engineers and scientists.

R8 News

R8 news is still the only regional newsletter that is offered printed to all members in the whole of the IEEE with coverage of the different activities taking place in the region.

- – Continued release four times a year bundled with the IEEE Spectrum
- – Back issues are available in electronic format at the R8 News website.

Other Activities by VC MA

I represented the IEEE R8 leadership in the Egyptian Engineering Day 2012 which took place in Cairo at the beginning of September. It was a great event, very well organized by the Egypt IEEE GOLD AG with the support of the Egypt section. It had the support of the Prime Minister of Egypt. The event was attended by at least 9000 people and was widely covered by local media. The event included presentation by world class speakers and included many training sessions. It also included the display of graduation projects undertaken by students from all universities in Egypt. I delivered an invited presentation about Wireless Sensor networks and represented the IEEE R8 during the opening and closing ceremonies and distributed prizes to the winners of different competitions. A very well manned and organized IEEE MD booth was there and was very well received.

I also represented the IEEE R8 leadership for the Interact with Tomorrows World 12 conference which took place in the Bibliotheca Alexandrina in Alexandria, Egypt during the middle of September. The event also was a great success. It was very well organized by the IEEE Alexandria Student branch. I delivered an invited presentation about the IEEE and a technical presentation about Embedded Systems.

I am also a member of the IEEE Individual Benefits and Services Committee and represent R8 in that committee.

For more info, comments, questions, and ideas please contact Ali El-Mousa at a.elmousa@ieee.org

V/C Student Activities (Elias Nassar)

1   General

1.1   Officers

- R8 Vice-Chair, Student Activities (VCSA, RSAC): Elias Nassar
- R8 Student Representative (RSR): Jorge Soares
- Past Chair: Eva Lang
- Student Paper Contest Coordinator: Djordje Paunovic
- Web Activities Coordinator: Hossam Fahmy
- Awards and Contests Coordinator (c.a. A&R): Jef Beerten
- Student Branch Coordinator: Simay Akar
- Electronic Communications Coordinator: Sohaib Qamar Sheikh

Secondary roles & cross appointments:

- MA/GOLD/PA liaison: Jef Beerten
- Student Branch Chapter Coordination: Simay Akar
- Pre-University Activities Coordination (c.a. EASC): Sohaib Qamar Sheikh

1.2   Goals and Objectives

- Create more student membership benefits at all IEEE levels
- Develop student activities (including contests, awards and promotion programs)
- Foster student members' awareness of IEEE activities and existing benefits
- Support students' initiatives and inform other IEEE organizational units about them
- Represent student interests and voice student concerns
- Help with the formation of new Student Branches, Chapters, and Affinity Groups
- Help with communication between existing Branches, Chapters, and Affinity Groups
- Increase student membership and develop retention strategies
- Reach out to pre-university students
- Liaise with other IEEE committees such as GOLD, PA, EASC, WIE, etc.
- Bring more fun to IEEE!

1.3   Membership

As of July 2012 (July 2011):

- Students: 9269 (9093)
- Graduate Students: 11570 (11149)
- Total: 20839 (20242)
- Branch count: 410+ (380)
- Student Branch Chapter count: 80+

Almost 30% of Region 8 membership is Student or Graduate Student Member.

1.4 New Student Branches and SB Affinity Groups since 01/2012

1.4.1 New Student Branches

1. Birzeit University SB
2. University of Salento SB
3. Universidad de Valencia - ETSE SB
4. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology SB
5. King Faisal University SB
6. Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd Univ Men's Campus SB
7. Cumhuriyet University SB
8. Palestine Technical University SB
9. Modern Academy for Engineering and Technology SB
10. Misr University for Science & Technology SB
11. Beykent University SB
12. Minia University SB
13. AGH Univ of Science & Tech SB
14. Kirikkale Univ SB
15. All Nations University College SB
16. Izmir Inst of Tech SB
17. Mentouri University Constantine SB
18. University of Technology, Mauritius SB
19. Zayed University SB
20. Technological Edu Inst of Ionian Islands SB
21. Scuola Superiore Di Studi Univ Sant'Anna SB
22. Natl Aviation University SB
23. Miguel Hernandez University SB
24. North-West University SB
25. Tech. Educ. Instit. (TEI) of Western Macedonia SB
26. Al-Quds Open University SB
27. Instituto Superior de Engenharia do Porto SB
28. Nat'l School of Engineering of Sousse (ENISo) SB
29. Akanu Ibiam Federal Polythecnic SB
30. Pamukkale Univ SB
31. ISCTE University Inst of Lisbon SB
32. Suez Canal University SB
33. Abu Dhabi University SB

1.4.2 New Student Branch Chapters

1. University of Patras EMB18
2. University of Cyprus PE31
3. University of Patras, C16
4. National Research Univ of IT, Mech, & Optics, C16
5. Obuda University, IA34

6   Queen Mary, University of London, SP01

7   Univ of Zagreb, IA34

8   Mentouri University Constantine, IA34

9   University of Pretoria, IA34

10   University of Sarajevo, IA34

11   Univ of Manchester, PE31

12   An-Najah National University, IA34

13   Natl Technical Univ Of Athens, EMB18

14   Hashemite Univ, EMB18

15   Instituto Superior Tecnico, IA34

16   Democritus Univ Of Thrace, IA34

17   University of Cape Town, IA34

18   Instituto Superior Tecnico, C16

19   Osijek University Of Josip Juraj Strossmayer, C16

20   Ecole Nationale d'Ingenieurs de Sfax, CEDA44

21   Mentouri University Constantine, MAG33

22   Univ of Manchester, ED15

1.4.3   New Women in Engineering Student Branch Affinity Groups

1   Ecole Nationale D'Ingenieurs De Tunis, WIE

2   Higher Coll of Tech, Sharjah Womens College, WIE

3   Dogus Universitesi, WIE

4   German Jordanian University, WIE

5   University of Central Greece, WIE

2   Awards and Contests

Awarding volunteers for their efforts is a very good way to keep them involved and active. There are various awards, both on the regional and global level. Similar to last year, we decided to group all upcoming awards and contests of the first half of the year on April 15, the so called 'Deadline Day'. We kindly invite the Section Chairs to nominate potential candidates and bring their names forward to the R8SAC.

2.1   Upcoming awards and contests

2.1.1   IEEE MGA Larry K. Wilson Regional Student Activities Award (Deadline: Feb 1)

The purpose of this award is to recognize annually, in each Region of the IEEE, the student most responsible for an extraordinary accomplishment associated with IEEE student activities. The value of a pattern of dedicated, on-going service to a branch is certainly recognized. This award is designed to reward a particular event or product of IEEE activities.

2.1.2   IEEE Regional Exemplary Student Branch Award (Deadline: Feb 1)

This award recognizes annually the exemplary IEEE Student Branch operations in each region without any numerical limit. To qualify for the award, a branch must conform to IEEE Bylaws, have an active program and support IEEE goals.

2.1.3   Outstanding Branch Counsellor and Advisor Recognition Programme (Deadline: Feb 1)

Aware of the unusual and dedicated efforts of Student Branch Counsellors and Branch Chapter Advisors, the MGA and TA Boards sponsor a cash award to each of approximately ten outstanding counsellors and advisors throughout the world. Winners will be

those individuals who, through their work as counsellors and advisors, exemplify the Institute's commitment to the educational, personal, professional, and technical development of students in IEEE related fields of interest.

2.1.4 IEEE Student Branch Web Site Contest (Deadline: Feb 1)

This contest encourages SB volunteers to go public and work on their web presence. The first three winning websites per Region will enter the global contest.

2012 Award Winners

Congratulations to all of the winners of our R8 contests. Keep up the good work!

IEEE Regional Exemplary Student Branch Award

American University of Beirut (Lebanon)
Alexandria Student Branch (Egypt)
Arab Academy for Science & Technology (Egypt)
Middle East Technical University (Turkey)
Cairo University Student Branch (Egypt)
German Jordanian University (Jordan)
University of Central Greece (Greece)
Winner to be sent to MGA competition: GJU

IEEE Student Branch Website Contest
25 submissions, 3 winners:
1st place: Instituto Superior Técnico Student Branch (Portugal)
2nd place: TEI Piraeus Student Branch (Greece)
3rd place: Pretoria Student Branch (South-Africa)

IEEE Larry K. Wilson Regional Student Activities Award

Piotr Graca (Student Branch Opole, Poland)
Event: 3rd International Students Conference on Electrodynamics and Mechatronics

IEEE Outstanding Branch Counselor and Advisor Award

The Region 8 submissions received a certificate:

Dr. Mohmed Khairy
Cairo University SB(Egypt)
Dr. Osama Abu Sharkh
Princess Sumaya University of Technology SB (Jordan)
Dr Mohammad Nazzal
German Jordanian University SB (Jordan)
Dr. Kakarountas Athanasios
University of Central Greece SB (Greece)

2.2   Other Awards and Contests

2.2.1   IEEE Student Enterprise Award (2012 Deadline: November 15)

The IEEE Student Enterprise Award, with funding from corporate partners and individuals, was created by the IEEE to support Student Branch projects. Up to US$ 1,500 in funding is available for project proposals developed by teams of IEEE Student Members from Student Branches established at over 1 400 universities and colleges around the world.

2.2.2   IEEE Darrel Chong Student Activity Award (Deadline: on-going)

This award serves to change the mind set of our student groups from being number-driven to become value-driven and acknowledge exemplary student activities around the world. The eventual goal is to improve the quality of the activities and foster knowledge sharing among students. Ultimately, the initiative is targeted at improving student membership growth. This will encourage and motivate students to continue to innovate and implement meaningful ideas. Submissions are welcome throughout the entire year; decisions are made once a year during the MGA SC meeting. Activities submitted after 16 November will be judged the following year.

2.2.3   IEEEXtreme 24 hour Programming Challenge (held in October each year)

This 24-hour programming contest has proven to be a good instrument for membership drive and member satisfaction. In 2011, 4 Region 8 teams ranked in the top 10!

2.2.4   IEEE Presidents' Change the World Competition

The award recognizes students who develop unique solutions to real-world problems using engineering, science, computing and leadership skills to benefit their community or humanity. The winners of the 2012 IEEE Presidents' Change the World Competition will be honored during the official IEEE Honors Ceremony in June 2012.

2.3   Region 8 Student Paper Contest

Once every year, each IEEE R8 Student Branch (SB) may hold and organize a local Student Paper Contest (SPC) under its own responsibility. The winner(s) of each Student Branch Contest may compete for the Region 8 Contest, held within the Region 8 limits. A SB may submit one paper per every 100 SB IEEE members or part thereof, with a maximum of three papers per SB. Region 8 Student Paper Contest is for IEEE R8 student members or graduate student members that have not yet started their PhD. Only IEEE R8 student members could be authors of the IEEE R8 SPC papers. Each student author must be a member of an IEEE Student Branch at the time of the original submission of the paper to the Branch Contest, and a member (student or not) of the IEEE at the time of the R8 Oral Finals presentation.

2.3.1   IEEE R8 SPC 2012 - Finalists

1   Augustin Cosse: "Diffeomorphic Surface-Based Registration for MR-US Fusion in Prostate Brachytherapy", Catholique Univ Of Louvain (3rd prize)

2   Chen Zhu: "High Accuracy Multi-link Synchronization in LTE: Applications in Localization", Technical University of Munich, Munich, Germany (2nd prize)

3   Marc Weydert: "Model-based Ego-Motion and Vehicle Parameter Estimation using Visual Odometry", Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Karlsruhe, Germany

4   Máximo Morales Céspedes, Ana Santos Rodríguez: "Statistical Characterization of Zero-Forcing Coordinated Base Station Transmission for Femtocell Environments", University Carlos III of Madrid, Madrid, Spain

5   Mike Rinderknecht: "Device for a Novel Hand and Wrist Rehabilitation Strategy for Stroke Patients Based on Illusory Movements Induced by Tendon Vibration", Ecole Polytechnique Federal de Lausanne (EPFL) (1st Prize)

2.3.2 IEEE R8 Student Paper Contest 2013

SPC 2013 just started at the Student Branch level. Submission deadline to Region 8 of the winning papers selected during the local Student Branch Contests is December 15, 2012.

An international Jury will anonymously review all papers and will select five papers for oral finals. Oral finals will be at IEEE R8 EUROCON Conference, July 2013, Zagreb, Croatia.

SPC 2013 calls will be sent to all R8 SB Chairs and Counselors, as well to Section Chairs. All R8 student members will also get a SPC 2013 reminder.

3   Communication

3.1   Web Activities

We have continued improving our online presence. Here are some of the updates:

- Our Facebook now has 2327 fans, and steadily increasing.
- Our Twitter feed is followed by 608 people.
- We are now using WebEX for our monthly online chat sessions

3.2   Emailing

The SAC team sends out bi-monthly email newsletters to all students and graduate students in Region 8. The newsletters contain announcements on upcoming deadlines, programs and awards as well as any news and benefits relevant to the target audience.

4   Ongoing Programs and Activities

4.1   Twin Student Branch Program

The Twin Branch Program was established in April 2009. Registered student branches can then agree to become twins. The relationship between twins is free-form, but branches are expected to be exchange information, supporting documents and ideas, and also organise joint activities. The program helps promote activity among the branches in the Region and jump-start recently established branches. The program is currently suspended and being redefined. A re-launch is expected to take place in time for the SBC 2012. In parallel, a funding proposal is being prepared for submission to NIC.

4.2   Travel grants for students at IEEE technical conferences

The Region 8 Voluntary Contribution Fund is not just intended for members, the fund helps also needy students to attend technical conferences (limit $ 1000 per person in a lifetime). Students attending technical events or conferences may receive a travel grant to the conference. In 2010 six students received funding (total of $4500) to travel to conferences and four so far in 2011 received such funding.

4.3   EPICS-in-IEEE

EPICS-in-IEEE is a program that organizes university and high-school students to work on engineering-related projects for local humanitarian organizations. Projects that are within IEEE's fields of interest should address one or more areas of interest: education, access and abilities, human services, and environment. Region 8 Sections already involved in EPICS projects are

- South Africa Section
- Nigeria Section

- Uganda Section
- Zambia Section
- Benelux Section

More info at: http://www.ieee.org/education_careers/education/preuniversity/epics_high.html

4.4   Teacher In-Service Program (TISP)

The Teacher In-Service Program (TISP) enables IEEE Volunteers to share their technical expertise and demonstrate the application of engineering concepts to support the teaching and learning of science, mathematics, and technology disciplines. IEEE offers training workshops for its members on how to facilitate in-service programs for local teachers to help them introduce hands-on engineering lessons to their students. These lesson plans are aligned with education standards and can easily be used in the classroom. For 2012/13, TISP workshops are being organized in Czech Republic/Slovakia and East Africa. Furthermore, a TISP training workshop is being organized during the R8 SBC in Madrid, Spain.

5   Student Congresses

5.1   2013 SBCs

The following cross-section SBCs will take place during 2012:
- ISBC 2013, Portugal
- ME-SBC 2013, Lebanon
- CEuSBC 2013, Poland

5.2   SBC 2012

This year, Madrid was the host city of the 8th biannual IEEE Region 8 Student Branch and GOLD Congress (SBC 2012), the flagship student and GOLD event in the region. Following on the footsteps of London (2008) and Leuven (2010), the 2012 edition had a special flavour to it, this being the 50th anniversary celebration of Region 8.

The congress managed to attract around 400 attendees (up from 215 just 4 years ago), 300 of which student members from all corners of Europe, Middle East and Africa. However, the list also included the Regional Student Representatives from Regions 2 and 10, as well as 24 attendees from Region 9. We were happy to welcome IEEE Past President Moshe Kam, IEEE President Gordon Day, IEEE President-Elect Peter Staecker and the entire Region 8 OpCom, as well as many other global IEEE volunteers and staff. The already legendary multi-cultural evening once again lived up to its reputation. With participants from 53 different countries, the diversity was everywhere and, by some accounts, you could even call it overwhelming. Diversity could also be found in the congress program, with a mix of technical, non-technical and IEEE topics thrown in. The attendees had the opportunity to ask their questions to the next Region 8 Director in the Director-Elect Candidate debate, and to be rewarded for their volunteer efforts in the SAC/GOLD award session. Perhaps most important, though, were the ample opportunities for networking and exchange of experiences which took place around the clock. Congratulations to the SBC Madrid team for an amazing event and thank you to those who attended. To all readers, hope to see you at the next one! **Thanks to all the Sections who funded the travel of their SB officers to attend the congress.**

The Region 8 SAC Team would also like to thank the members of the Region Operations Committee for their support, also many thanks to Adam, Lisa, Jamie and John from the MGA team.

V/C Technical Activities (Saurabh Sinha)

Saurabh Sinha, ✉ ssinha@ieee.org

The Vice-Chair: Technical Activities works with standing coordinators/subcommittees: chapters coordination, conference coordination, education activities, standards, industry relations and two adhoc coordinators: technical publications and future directions towards providing an oversight on technical activities of the *geographical unit*, IEEE Region 8.

Over the past year, we have introduced a new tool towards interacting with our volunteers at the "grassroots" level, i.e. our counterparts at the section level. WebEx, which is supported by an InterCall facility, is now somewhat more popular, but more socialization and training is still required. Through InterCall, the audio portion of a WebEx "webinar" is accessed, and for a few countries in Region 8, a toll-free number is provided. For many other countries, audio access is gained by using Google Phone or Skype to call the US based toll-free number for InterCall.

The **chapter coordination subcommittee** (ChCSC) has held both in-person and web-based chapter chairs meeting (CCM), where we have identified the opportunity for sections to establish some 500 new chapters in Region 8. While the opportunity to develop new chapters exist, it also remains important that the existing chapters are active, and well-supported. Through vTools, section chairs are reminded to monitor chapter activity and provide support where possible. The connectivity of the Region 8 ChCSC too various societies and councils could be of assistance where dormancy may start to prevail or already prevails.

The **conference coordination subcommittee** (CoCSC) has progressed towards attracting more events for technical and financial co-sponsorship. Support for conference bids for large "flagship" conferences (such as ICC 2017) has been provided to chapters in our region. The CoCSC has also held a webinar on financial issues, including managing of conference insurance and taxes. The new mechanism of conference registration using ICX (IEEE Conference Exchange) is now in place: http://www.ieee.org/conferences_events/conferences/organizers/conf_app.html

Traditional Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for technical co-sponsorship is now automatically generated and coordinated.

The **educational activities subcommittee** (EASC) pioneers our pre-university works (PUW), continuing education (CE) and university activities. Through the recent sponsorship for translating the TryEngineering portal into Arabic, an interest to organize a Teacher In-Service Programme (TISP) supported by local volunteers in the Gulf and North Africa, is being developed. This would be the first TISP in Arabic, and could go a long way towards developing the "active" learning component for our educators in the Gulf area. The EASC interacts regularly with IEEE's Educational Activities Board (EAB) and new opportunities are regularly identified in this way. An interest towards developing informal museum exhibits, for instance E-Scientia, is another PUW. With the identified interest in CE for our members, the CE coordinator has recently arranged a distinguished lecture (IEEE Vehicular Technology Society), as a webinar. The webinar had been well attended, and was of interest to both industry professionals, but also to graduate student members (GSMs). The approach could be useful for emerging researchers and doctoral students seeking to identify research gaps. University activities, including accreditation activities, move forward in the Gulf area, North Africa, East and Southern Africa. The approach is to "follow the volunteers," and work with national or local engineering councils and professional societies and assist in formation of local accreditation committees, who could with training, support academic programme accreditation in their local geographical areas.

The **industry relations subcommittee** (IRSC) has held a number of meetings and interactions towards finalizing documentation for the Region 8 industry awards for industrial professionals and companies. The IRSC has also finalized the role of the section-level industry relations officer (IRO), as well as providing a summary of the roles. The roles were discussed through a region wide webinar, and the resulting recording has been circulated to those who could not attend. A mechanism for regular feedback from IROs has also been established through IEEE Fluid Surveys (http://ieee.fluidsurveys.com/surveys/R8/iro-semi-annual-report/).
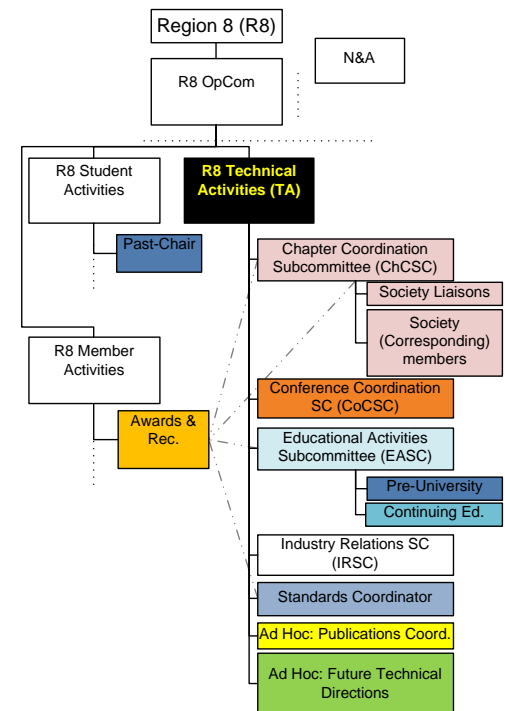
The **standards coordinator** works closely with IEEE-Standards Association (IEEE-SA) and the IEEE-SA & EAB joint Standards Education Committee (SEC). In cooperation with the mentioned entities, cooperation with our flagship conferences such as EnergyCon, workshops towards "demystifying IEEE standards," have been held. Smaller scale or similar sized events are being planned for EuroCon'13 and Africon'13. SEC and PUW have worked together to generate an early interest among pre-university students on IEEE standards. Similarly standards activities have been held at university level, and for industry professionals. The IRSC and the standards coordinator have worked together towards promoting the standards workshops at conferences.

The **adhoc coordinators** for publications and future technical coordination have renewed the linkages with IEEE Sales and Marketing towards developing access to the IEEE / IET electronic library (IEL) and future technical areas, respectively. The approach has started to deliver in some areas, for instance, in France, but slower in other areas. Another area of interest is to develop IEEE Xplore further by including local/regional publications of high quality.

As this is the final report of the Vice-Chair of Technical Activities, the Vice-Chair *extends hearty thanks to all Region 8 committee members*, for kind support over the period of 2011-2012. The Vice-Chair, together with adhoc and standing committee chairs/coordinators will work with the new team for 2013/4 and ensure a smooth transition.

Secretary (Costas Stasopoulos)

This is my last report as the Secretary of the Region 8 Committee. During my time as the secretary I have organized 11 Region 8 meetings and 10 OpCom meetings! During these times I have worked with many great volunteers and I have made good friends and associates. I would like to thank everybody for their cooperation and eagerness to serve

The 98rd IEEE Region 8 meeting in Berlin was organized with the help of the Germany Section and was very successful in participation numbers. The actual meeting went excellent without any problems. The organization of the meeting and the workshop sessions were well prepared and got good comments by many participants. The social program was also very interesting and the Gala dinner was perfect in the Technical museum of Berlin. Thank you Germany Section!!

An OpCom meeting took place in Madrid together with Student Branch and GOLD Congress in July.

Our next meeting will be held in Madrid, Spain from 20-21 April, 2013. You will hear from the new Secretary soon on this subject.

I would like to thank our Director, our Past Director all the OpCom members and all the Section Chairs and other Region 8 Committee members and last but not least our Electronics Coordinator for their cooperation and hard work in all the aspects of IEEE.

Costas Stasopoulos
IEEE Region 8 Secretary

Part III. Subcommittees

Awards & Recognition Subcommittee (A&RSC)

Members: Charles Turner (Chair), Victor Fouad Hanna (Past Chair), Jef Beerten (Student Representative), Martin Bastiaans, Maciej Ogorzalek, and Shamir Shaheen.

Following the Region 8 meeting in Berlin in March./April, the committee reviewed the status of the awards for which it is currently responsible.

1. **The 2012 Region 8 Volunteer Award** was won by Michel Henry Carpentier of the France Section. The certificate will be presented at the Section meeting later this year.
2. There were no nominations for the **Outstanding Section Award,** newly introduced this year. This was especially disappointing because it had been hoped that the winner would go forward to the Global MGA contest. The committee resolved to re-double its efforts next year to stimulate some nominations.
3. The **Clementina Saduwa** and the **GOLD** Awards had been successfully completed this year. The GOLD award was presented at SBC in Madrid in July.
4. Three new **industry relations awards** had been developed by the Industry Relations Committee and would be inaugurated later this year.

The A & R website has been re-designed by Jef Beerten. Comments on its appearance and functionality would be welcomed. The overall aim was to provide complete information about all Region 8 awards, as well as links to other IEEE awards (such as those managed by EAB, MGA, and Corporate Activities)

The committee has recommended to OPCOM that a number of special awards be created to mark the 50th Anniversary celebrations of Region 8 in 2012/3. The intention is to recognise outstanding individuals for their contributions to society, through science and technology, in industry, academia, and in public service. This proposal is still under consideration.

At the presentation by the Chair at the Region 8 Committee meeting in Berlin, it was emphasised that more needed to be done to make members more aware of the significance and the value of awards, especially in a volunteer-led organisation such as IEEE. The best place to begin this process is at Section level. The committee's goal is to have an Awards Officer/Co-ordinator appointed in every Section of the Region. Currently, fewer than half of our Sections have Awards Officers. We ask all Sections to give this goal their top priority.

Martin Bastiaans had compiled a complete list of award winners from Region 8 since its formation in 1962. This will be posted on the R8 website and the Global History Network.

Charles Turner (Chair R8 Awards & Recognition Sub-committee) August 2012

Chapter Coordination Subcommittee (ChCSC)

Chair: Daniel Pasquet (d.pasquet@ieee.org) (IEEE France Section)

1. Highlights from the past

- 16 new chapters since January 2012
- Chapter chairs meeting in Hammamet on March 25th, 2012
  During MELECON (21 attendees)
- Chapter chairs meeting in Warsaw on May 21st, 2012
  During MRW (42 attendees)
- ChCSC meeting in Berlin on May 30th, 2012
- Webinar "Chapter chairs training" on November 3rd, 2011 with Cheryl Sinauskas
  20 attendees
- Webinar "SAMIEEE for chapter chairs" on December 6th, 2011 with Aleksandar Szabo
  15 attendees
- Webinar "The best way and the best place to publish your best works" with Jon Rokne
  35 attendees
- Best chapter award: 21 applications received (13 last year)
- Potential for new chapters: request sent individually to each chapter chair
- Next webinar planned for 27 September "How to invite a distinguished lecturer" with Elya Joffe.

2. Future activities

- New webinar in November 2012
  Topics to be defined
- Chapter chair meeting in Amsterdam on Oct. 29th, 2012 during European Microwave Week
  Co-organized with MTT Society
- Tel Aviv in October 2013 during COMCAS
- Distinguished lecturer tour in Central Europe (MTT-S, AP-S, ED-S)
- PES Chapter Chairs meeting in Berlin (15 Oct. 2012)

3. Best practices

- Webinars well attended. Attractive topics must be found.
- Constitution of a network between Region 8, Societies, Councils and chapters
  Many contacts between CMM attendees after the meetings
  Contact between Societies for common actions (e.g. common CCMs)
- Good relationship with several council/society chapters coordinators
  The group constitutes a good team

4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- Difficulty to evaluate the impacts of the actions.
- More active chapters better than more numerous chapters if many of them are inactive
- Numerical results difficult to define

Conference Coordination Subcommittee (CCSC)

Chair: Carl Debono (cjdebo@eng.um.edu.mt) (IEEE Malta Section)

- Karl Gudmundsson (Iceland)
- Jan Haase (Austria)

Improvements in Conference Organization
Flagship conference bids are now using the developed templates facilitating the process.
http://www.ieeer8.org/category/technical-activities/conference-coordination/
Webinars are being organized to allow conference organizers to familiarize with IEEE procedures and gain knowledge on organizing successful conferences.
Follow-ups and timelines monitoring of flagship conferences has been initiated, Karl Gudmundsson is responsible for this action.
Website updates, Jan Haase is responsible for this action
e-Notice IEEE service is used for R8 conference advertisement (e-mails go only to R8 members), see:
http://www.ieee.org/organizations/vols/e-notice/
Post-conference reporting requirements have been posted online.

Rules in R8 Conference Sponsorship and Technical Co-Sponsorship
Requirements and standard Application Forms are available. Non-IEEE conferences are charged a general administrative fee of US $500.00 for R8 Technical Co-Sponsorship. Templates for financial and Technical co-sponsorship Memorandum of Understanding are available here:
http://www.ieee.org/conferences_events/conferences/organizers/mou.html#sect2

The new conference management tool, IEEE Conference Exchange (ICX) can be used to produce the MoU automatically while registering the conference with IEEE. More information here:
http://www.ieee.org/conferences_events/conferences/organizers/icx.html

Present and Future R8 Conferences

MELECON 2012 was held on 25-28th March, 2012 in Tunis, Tunisia. More information is available here:
http://www.melecon2012.org/
The conference attracted more than 250 delegates.

Congratulations!

HISTELCON 2012 will be held on 5-8th November in Pavia, Italy
ENERGYCON 2012 will be held on 9-12th September, 2012 in Firenze, Italy
EUROCON 2013 will be held on July 1-4, 2013 in Zagreb, Croatia
AFRICON 2013 will be held on September 9-12, 2013 in Mauritius
MELECON 2014 will be held in April 2014 in Lebanon
ENERGYCON 2014 will be held in May 2014 in Dubrovnik, Croatia
HISTELCON 2014 will be held in September 2014 in Israel

Looking for candidates to organize:

EUROCON 2015
MELECON 2016
ENERGYCON 2016

Webinar
The CoCSC organized a Webinar on 3rd July 2012 at 17:00 CET entitled "Handling Indirect Tax and Insurance for IEEE Conferences" with the help of IEEE staff. The event had 7 participants other than the speakers. We would like to thank Rich Jannuzzi for his support. The presentation is on the CoCSC webpage.

Financial and Technical Co-sponsored R8 Conferences

Technical co-sponsorship is doing well and the sub-committee will try to attract more conferences during 2012. Emails have been sent to all IEEE registered conference organizers that will be organizing conferences in the Region for partnership. Jan Haase is coordinating this activity. The current statistics are:

- 17 MoUs signed in 2010.
- 23 MoUs signed in 2011.
- 27 MoUs signed till end of August 2012.

The figure below shows the Financial (in red) and Technical (in blue) MoUs signed during the years.
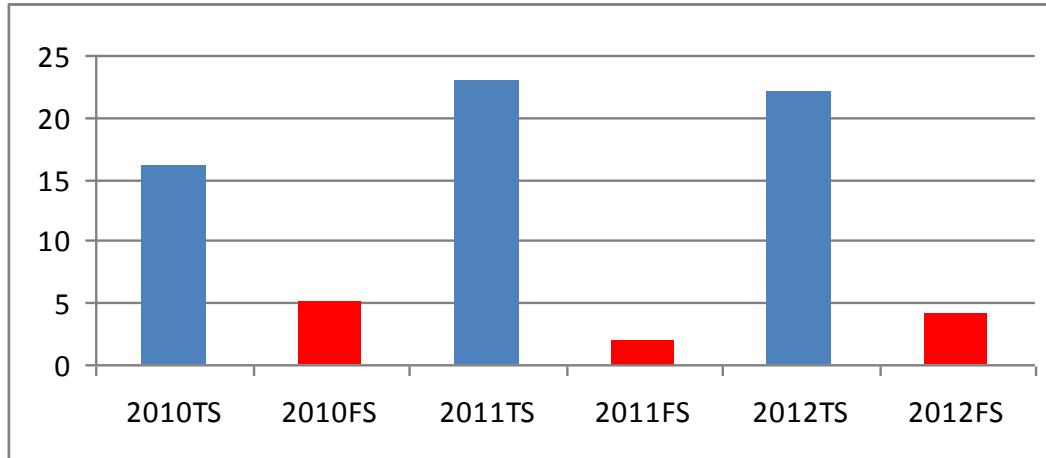
The complete list of 2012 is given below:
1. International Energy Conference and Exhibition – EnergyCon 2012
2. 2012 Military Communications and Information Systems Conference – MCC 2012
3. International Symposium on Innovations in Intelligent Systems and Applications – INISTA 2012
4. IEEE Africon 2013
5. UK Simulation Society 14th International Conference on Modelling and Simulation – UKSim 2012 (Multi-year MoU up till 2016)
6. The 16th IEEE Mediterranean Electrotechnical Conference – MELECON 2012
7. 34th International Conference on Information Technology Interfaces – ITI 2012
8. 2012 IX International Symposium on Telecommunications – BIHTEL 2012
9. European DSP in Education and Research Conference – EDERC 2012
10. 6th IEEE International Conference Intelligent Systems – IEEE IS 2012
11. 2012 Loughborough Antennas & Propagation Conference – LAPC 2012
12. International Symposium on Optomechatronic Technologies – ISOT 2012
13. AFRICOMM – e-Infrastructure and e-Services for Developing Countries – AFRICOMM 2012
14. 2012 IV International Congress on Ultra Modern Telecommunications and Control Systems– ICUMT 2012
15. 6th International Symposium on Health Informatics and Bioinformatics – HIBIT 2011
16. IEEE EUROCON 2013
17. 2013 IEEE International Conference on Industrial Technology – ICIT 2013
18. Cybernetic Intelligent Systems 2012: International Conference on Systems and Cybernetics – CIS 2012
19. HISTELCON 2012
20. 11th Symposium on Neural Network Applications in Electrical Engineering – NEUREL 2012
21. The 2nd International Conference on Advances in Computational Tools for Engineering Applications – ACTEA 2012
22. 20th Telecommunications forum – TELFOR 2012
23. Electronics, Computers, and Artificial Intelligence – ECAI
24. 2012 1st International Conference on Intelligent Systems in the Middle East – ISME 2012 (Multi-year MoU up till 2016)
25. 2013 36th International Convention on Information and Communication Technology, Electronics and Microelectronics – MIPRO 2013
26. 2014 Global Symposium on EMS, Safety and Product Compliance Engineering – GlobeSPACE 2014
27. 2013 Federated Conference on Computer Science and Information System – FedCSIS 2013

Educational Activities Subcommittee (EASC)

Chair: Bakr Hassan (bakr.hassan@gmail.com) (IEEE Bahrain Section)

EASC activities are divided into three areas. The areas are Pre-University Activities, Continuing Education Activities and Accreditation Activities. The detailed accomplished and planned activities for the 2012 are detailed below.

Pre-University Activities (Sohaib Qamar Sheikh, Coordinator)

- A new (Sub-)Sub-Committee called Pre-University Works was approved to increase and streamline activities in the region. The team will be responsible for promoting public relations (PR) support for pre-university activities being organized or planned and coordinate with global Pre-university Education Coordinating Committee (PECC), a *standing committee* of the IEEE Educational Activities Board (EAB). The committee includes Sohaib Qamar Sheikh (R8 Pre-University Activities Coordinator), Yasemin Baser (Turkey Section), Muhammad Mustafa (Jordan Section) and Joyce Mwangama (South Africa Section). They will be responsible for promoting activities in Europe, Middle East and Africa respectively, liaison with the Region 8 student activities committee (SAC) and support & empower pre-university activities all over the region

Teacher In-Service Program (TISP)

1. A 2nd TISP presentation was organized in Tunisia on December 19, 2011. The activity was well received by the attendees
2. A TISP workshop was successfully organized on March 21, 2012 in Toulon-Var University, Toulon, France. The workshop was organized by the IEEE Tunisia section, IEEE Education Society (ES) Tunisia chapter, the HANDIBIO laboratory, and participants of the 2nd Tunisian TISP Workshop in cooperation with the Research Groups on Intelligent Machines (REGIM Lab.), the IEEE Region 8 Educational Activities Subcommittee, and the IEEE Educational Activities Board (EAB). The workshop had 24 participants and received excellent feedback.
3. A 3-hour TISP workshop is being organized during the R8 Student Branch Congress being held in Madrid, Spain from 25-29 July, 2012. The workshop is part of the Education Track at the congress which is completely being coordinated by the Pre-University Works Committee (PUW).
4. TISP Workshop requests have been received from the UAE Section, Ministry of Education, Bahrain, and for the ME-SBC due to be held in Lebanon next year. All requests have been forwarded to the EAB staff to initiate preparatory teleconferences.

Engineering Projects In Community Service-in-IEEE (EPICS-in-IEEE)

1. An EPICS application was submitted by the GJU Student Branch, Jordan in April, 2012.

2. EPICS applications for projects in Sweden and Palestine are complete and will be submitted in the next month.

3. An E-notice regarding the program is in the process of being sent to all R8 members with the help of EPICS High Administrator. The aim of the E-notice is to make members in our region aware of this program.

    Ongoing discussion with Intel Education (EMEA) for the development of a career preparation activity in the region.

    EPICS-in-IEEE activities in Southern and Eastern Africa
    - Humanitarian Activities - October 2012

Country	Project Title	Project leader or co-leader	Approved Grant	University/ Academic Institution
Namibia	Mobile Science lab for High School in Rural Area	Prof. Zacchaeus Oyedokun	US $ 5,625	Polytechnic of Namibia
South Africa	Photovoltaic Powered study lamp incorporating an AM/FM radio and mobile phone charger	Dr Edward Chikuni	US $ 5,000	University of KwaZulu Natal (UKZN)

Uganda	Kyambogo University And Agha Khan Poverty Reduction And Enviromental Conservation Through Solar Powered Solutions	Lwanga Herbert	US $ 5,000	Kyambogo University (KYU)
Zambia	Digital Teaching Units	Dr Hastings Ma Libati	US $ 4,935	Copperbelt University (CBU)
Zambia	OpenBTS (Open Base Transceiver Station) implementation in Chikankata	Mpaisha Phiri	US $ 5,000	University of Zambia (UNZA)
South Africa	Air-quality microsensors for Earth Observations	Johan Venter	US $ 9,300	University of Pretoria (UP)

Webinar Series

The webinar series has been planned to advertise Pre-University activities. The first planned webinar was on 1st March, 2012 and will be given by Liz Burd (Chair, PECC).

Four more webinars will be held as per the following schedule:

- TISP - April 2012
- EPICS-in-IEEE - June 2012
- Education Portals - August 2012
- Humanitarian Activities - October 2012
- TBA -December 2012

1. PUW organized a webinar on TISP in April, 2012 which received favorable response. We were also a part of the global EPICS-in-IEEE webinar organized in May, 2012. Both webinars had more than 20 participants.

2. Webinars on our Education portals and Humanitarian activities will be organized in August and October respectively.

Outreach Efforts

PUW committee has continued its outreach efforts with events and direct member outreach.
1. As mentioned in the report earlier, an EPICS E-notice has been dispatched to all IEEE members in Region 8.

2. To increase social media outreach, we have created facebook and twitter pages, and are maintaining them actively.

3. An outreach event was organized at the Jordanian SBC to reach out to the student members in the section. This action resulted in one EPICS application being sent from the section. Our Middle East Coordinator, Muhammad Mustafa, can been seen in the picture below presenting about our programs to the participants.

4. PUW organized an event called 'Why Engineering?' for 50 students from few of the most prestigious schools in UK including Eton College, Langley Academy, Beechwood School and Slough & Eton College on June 26, 2012. The talk was followed by a competition where teams of students had to build a Robot Arm from regular craft supplies. The robot arm lesson was taken from TryEngineering.org where more than a 100 different lessons are available to make learning more practical and fun for students. This session was kindly sponsored by R8 Technical Activities and Slough & Eton College.

IEEE R8 Student Branch Congress, 2012

PUW is completely responsible for organizing the Education Track and two non-technical workshops at the congress due to be held in Madrid, Spain from 25-29 July, 2012.

Below are the details of the workshops,

Education Track:

1. Teacher In-Service Program – A 3 hour long workshop is organized for 30 participants and includes 3 components
   a. Pre-University Activities overview by Liz Burd, Chair PECC.
   b. TISP lesson on tall tower by Fabio Domingos, IST Student Branch TISP team
   c. Pre-University R8 Focus and Updates by Sohaib Qamar Sheikh, R8 Pre-University Coordinator

2. Contributing for education innovation: The fall of the chalkboard – A 1.5 hour workshop on a new project by Rui Costa from the IST student branch which aims to provide students with a new methodology to study more effectively through videos and online exercises. Details about this project can be accessed at http://82.102.6.169/~academic/en. The website is currently a prototype and will be launched completely during the congress.

3. Engineering for Change – A 1.5 hour workshop by Adrian Pais, VC Humanitarian Activities on how students can get involved in social projects to increase their practical knowledge and contribute to their society.

4. TryComputing,org Session – A 15 min session sponsored by IEEE CS to advertise the TryComputing portal and their education related programs.

Non-Technical Workshops:

1. Two 1.5 hour long workshops on EPICS will be delivered by Moshe Kam and Sohaib Qamar Sheikh. PUW Coordinator for Africa, Joyce Mwangama will also be present to give a case study of an EPICS program she was involved with in the past.

Partner with other IEEE pre-university programmes, including mentoring programmes such as IEEE Student-Teacher and Research Engineer/Scientist (STAR). STAR developed within EAB due to historical reasons, however as of 2012, WiE is now part of the member and geographic activities (MGA) board. The activity may be coordinated irrespective of its administrative position within IEEE.

Appointments to higher level committees: as per a proposal by the pre-university coordinator in Dec. 2011, Maciej Borówka, Kraków, Poland has been nominated to serve on the global *EPICS-in-IEEE* committee.

- **TryEngineering** (www.tryengineering.org)

  TryEngineering was translated to seven languages. Last year, it's translation in Arabic was initiated with Saudi Aramco. IEEE Saudi East section and EAB providing support. The translation has been completed and it was launched Feb.17, 2012.

Continuing Education (CE) (Niovi Pavlidou, Coordinator)

- A webinar on the IEEE's Continuing Education (CE) - Technical English Programme (TEP) was organized on 10 January 2012. The organizing team was comprised by Saurabh Sinha, IEEE Region 8 Vice-Chair: Technical Activities, Steve Welch, Director of CE, Educational Activities Division (EAD), Niovi Pavlidou, IEEE R8 Lead Volunteer for CE (Educational Activities Subcommittee (EASC)), and Burt Dicht, Director of University Programs, Educational Activities Division (EAD).

- The web-based seminar was offered to relevant officers in Region 8: Section Chairs, Chapter Chairs, Region 8 EA officers, the Chapters Coordination Subcommittee (ChCSC) and several interested (invited) members in the Region. The duration of the webinar was one hour, the lectures and discussion slots as a whole. The slides, supported by the recording of the webinar, are available from the IEEE Region 8 (Technical activities, Educational activities) website.

- The event was organized on WebEx facilities and the attendance has been improved in relation to the last CE event (a general online Blackboard discussion on CE).   Based on the obtained experience some new proposals for future events are now being considered.

- Further, a sub sub-committee on Continuing Education R8 has been established with the participation of Dr. George Papadopoulos to boost the CE activities in Region 8. As a first initiative a webinar on Electric Vehicles is considered in the near future.

- A webinar is planned on 03 July 2012 at 3 pm (United Kingdom) time.The webinar is intended to all members of IEEE Education Society in R8 and to the Section Chairs of R8.Topic: Fuzzy Logic Systems in Educational Assessment Speaker: Riadh BESBES, PhD, educational supervisor for secondary schools in Tunisia

- Another webinar is planned on the same date 03 July 2012 at 4.30 pm (United Kingdom) time.The webinar is intended for members of IEEE Vehicular Technology Society in Region 8 and to the Section Chairs in Region 8.Topic: Introduction to Electric Vehicles Speaker: Vladimir Katic, IEEE Serbia and Montenegro Section

- These topics were discussed and initiated at the R8 meeting in Berlin

Accreditation Activities (Bakr Hassan, Coordinator)

- The Gulf Accreditation Sub-Committee held number of teleconference meetings discussing the proposal for establishing a GCCC Accrediting Organization for Engineering, Computing & Technology. A workshop was conducted on March 29, 2012 in Berlin to discuss the draft proposal. The workshop was attended by key people from the accrediting agencies in the Gulf attended as well as several IEEE volunteers from EAB and R8. More teleconference meetings ate planned to finalize the proposal. Further meetings are planned with NCAAA in Saudi Arabia and other accrediting agencies from the Gulf.

- Accreditation works moves forward in the Southern/Eastern African area.

Electronic Communications Coordinator (ECC)

George Michael, Region 8 ECC

> **The Region 8 Electronic Communication Coordinator's job is to facilitate communication, both between members of the Region 8 Committee, and between this committee and present or future IEEE members.**

IEEE Region 8 website (http://www.ieee.org/r8)

The IEEE Region 8 website serves as a common reference point for all information regarding our Region. It supports besides hosting of articles, the hosting of photo galleries and document repositories. From the website you can get information about: latest news regarding R8, offers and services from IEEE, jobs, the full section roster and links to the sections' websites, links to important conferences, IEEE related important links and many more.

We are always accepting new articles so feel free to let us know of what your Section is doing so that we can let the whole Region know.

Statistics:

According to the monitoring tool that has been installed on our websites these are the statistics that were obtained over the period from the 25th of February 2012 to the 22nd of September 2012. Over this period, over <u>24,000 people</u> visited the website and 28,000 pages were viewed with our homepage almost hitting 30.00% of the traffic with more than 15,000 page views. On an average visit, a user stays for about a minute and a half.

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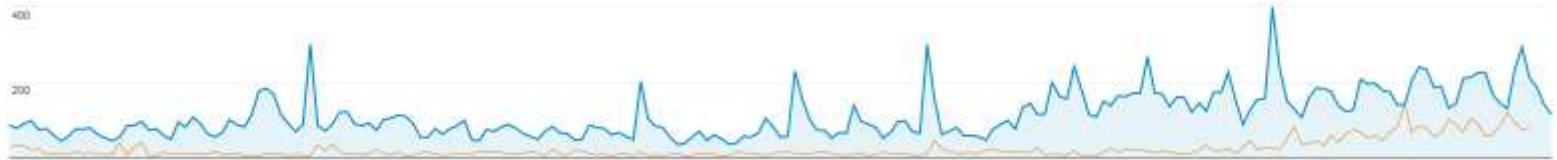
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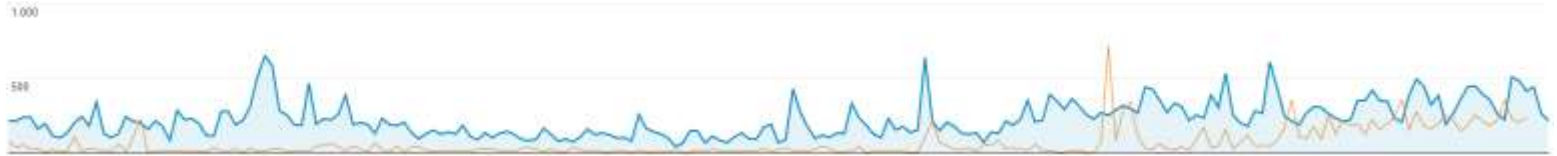
Our visitors come from 150 countries/territories all around the world, many of whom are outside Region 8. The origin of the visitors is depicted in the following map.
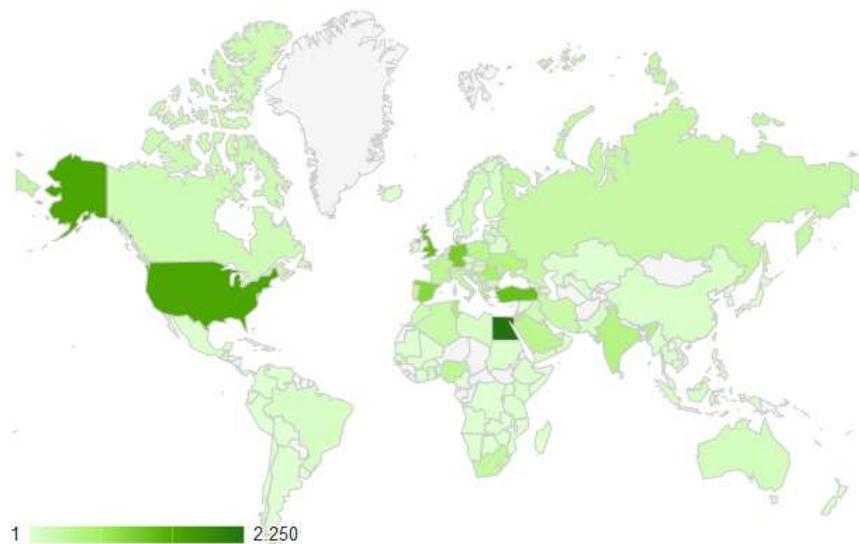
Mailing Lists (http://listserv.ieee.org/)
It is the responsibility of the ECC to maintain the Region's mailing lists - depending on the type of group or list - this means adding/deleting members if subscribing is not permitted or reviewing/editing messages if moderating is required. In all cases, the owners send the **original** email to the members of the group or list.

Performance:

In an attempt to improve the quality of service for our website we are now using the CloudFlare service that provides us with Caching/Mirroring and Firewall services.

14,594 Page views
5,641 regular traffic
1,261 crawlers/bots
7,692 threats

2,988 unique visitors
155 unique crawlers
269 unique threats

75,785 requests saved by CloudFlare
108,982 total requests

2.6 GB bandwidth saved by CloudFlare
4.1 GB total bandwidth

The ListOwner's Responsibilities (as extracted from the IEEE Electronic Mail Policy):
- Establishment and communication of distribution rules
- Establishment, communication and enforcement of acceptable use practices (practices may be specific to the list, but must be in compliance with the IEEE Acceptable Use Practices)
- Determining the nature of the list (e.g., moderated, unmoderated, etc.)
- Maintenance of list (including anticipated life cycle and related data)
- Establishment of a list archival policy/practice

Important R8 Lists:
- **R8DIRECTOR** - Serves as an alias to contact the Region 8 Director , Director Elect and Secretary
- **R8COMMITTEE** - Serves as an alias to contact all members of the r8 committee, including all subcommittee members
- **R8OPCOM** - Serves as an alias to contact all members of the r8 operating committee
- **R8SAC** - Serves as an alias to contact the Region 8 Student Activities Committee.
- **R8MA** - Serves as an alias to contact the Region 8 Member Activities Committee
- **R8TA** - Serves as an alias to contact the Region 8 Technical Activities Committee

vTools (http://vtools.ieee.org/)

vTools abbreviation stands for "Volunteer Tools". vTools simplify the administrative tasks to our volunteers via use of online tools, reduce time spent managing activities, and assist in member development.
vTools are developed and made possible by IEEE volunteers. The toolbox simplifies administration by offering web based software, reduces time spent managing activities, and assists in member development.

Currently available tools:
- **vTools.Meetings** – tool for managing section and chapter meetings. Officers can create meeting announcements with no dependence on webmaster availability and show them on your website. Members and the public may see and register for the upcoming meetings.
- **vTools.WebInABox** – wizard to assist officers generate simple section websites in an automated fashion with no dependence on webmaster availability.
- **vTools.Voting** – tool to allow members submit votes in their Section officer elections online.
- **DimDim** – a Web Conferencing service to Geographic Organizational Units for online meetings, webinars, training, demos and presentations.
- **vTools.StudentBranchReporting** – tool for collecting and searching reports submitted by student branch volunteers such as annual plan and report of activities.

- **FluidSurveys** - a Survey tool available to MGA Board members and MGA Board Committees as well as Region and Section EXCOM officers. Tool can be used to quickly create online surveys using intuitive interface and distribite them via Email, Web link, etc. Collected results can be easily analyzed and graphical reports can be shared with others.

Please contact with me @ xeirwn@ieee.org for more information or assistance.

Future Technical Directions Liaison

Coordinator: Vladimir Katić (katav@uns.ac.rs) (IEEE Serbia and Montenegro Section)

Champion our links to "new" committees / initiatives established within the IEEE Technical Activities Board (TAB) - TAB Strategic Planning Committee → TAB New Technology Directions Committee, i.e (new name) IEEE Future Directions Committee (FDC), a standing committee of the TAB Strategic Planning Committee (http://www.ieee.org/about/volunteers/tab/tab_507.html)

Special attention to links with IEEE Smart Grid initiative, Cloud computing, IEEE's Committee on Earth Observations (ICEO), etc.

Special EU-IEEE or initiatives (EMEA-IEEE), for example: EuroGEOSS

Aim:
Develop synergy between "higher level" TAB committees and Region 8 organizational units, including sections. Seek out future technologies and related issues of potential interest to IEEE TAB and encourage the investigation of emerging technologies.

Scope:

The main topics regarding the FDC are:

- **Electrical Energy and Energy Efficiency:** Smart Grid*, Wind Power, Hydrogen Economy and Alternating Fuels, *(Renewable Energy, Photo-Voltaic/Concentrating Solar Power, Energy Storage, Smart Home (Smart Building), Smart City)***
- **Electric Transportation (new):** Electric Vehicles*, Plug-In-Hybrid EV, Electric Ship
- **Computing:** Cloud Computing*, Networked Multimedia*
- **Environment:** Earth Observation, Electronic Recycling
- **Health Care:** Health Care and BioScience*, Distributed Diagnosis and Home Healthcare, Electronic Health Record
- **Communications:** Wireless Fidelity (WiFi), Terabit Networks, RFID, Remote Sensing
- **Hardware:** Next Generation Computer Architecture*, Portable Information Devices (PID), Display Technologies, Organic Electronics
- **Digital Society:** Biometrics, Digital Rights Management (DRM), Fingerprinting, *(Computational Semiotics)***
- **Life Sciences New Initiative (LSNI)**

* Established Working Groups, ** *Added by V.Katic*

The major activities are within topics of the Smart Grid, Electric Vehicles, Cloud Computing, Networked Multimedia, Health Care and BioScience, and Next Generation Computer Architecture, where FDC Technology working groups have been established.

Other important issues (outside the FDC):

- IEEE's Committee on Earth Observations (ICEO): The Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS), EuroGEOSS, ...

Within the abovementioned areas, there is some overlap with activities with our new IEEE staff office.

The ad hoc coordinator will therefore keep Karine posted from time-to-time:

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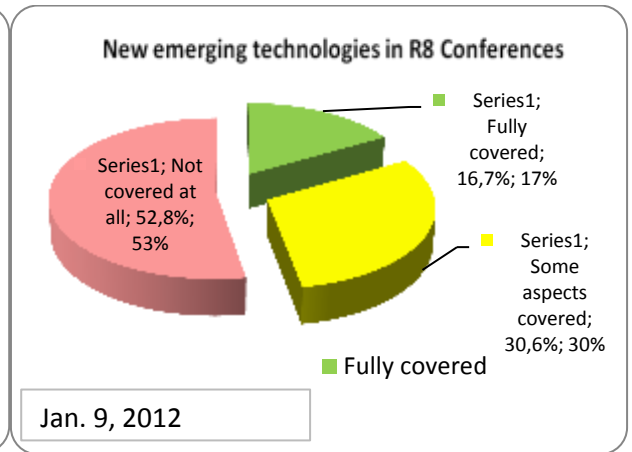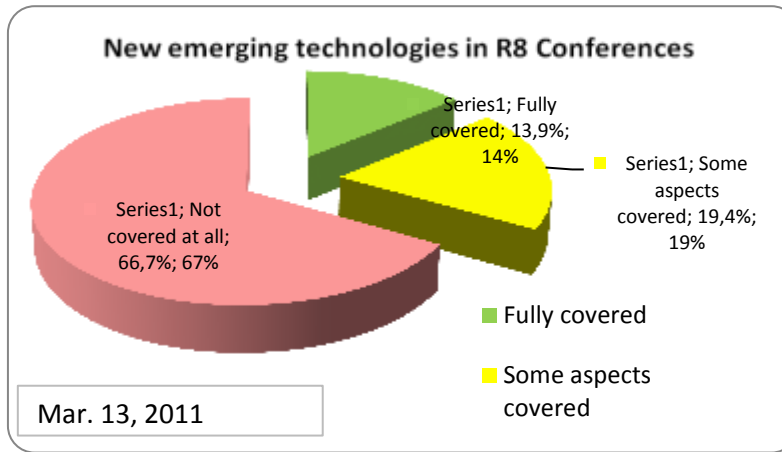WEB: http://www.ieee.org

Case of IEEE R8 TAB activities:

a) Chapters: The chapters of the main Societies that are dealing with the FDC topics are active in R8. Example: IEEE R8 Power Chapters Technical & Leadership Joint Workshop, Budapest, Bratislava, Zilina, 21-26 May 2010.

b) Conferences: The R8 conferences are organized regionally, including Energycon. Overview of the R8 conference topics regarding major FDC topics is represented in table below.

Date: Sep.9, 2012

Legend: 🟥 NO such topics, 🟨 Some aspects are covered, 🟩 Fully covered

/FDC Topic R8 Conference	Smart Grid	Electric Vehicles	Cloud Computing	Next Gen. Computer Arch.	Networked Multimedia	Healthcare & Bioscience
AFRICON 2011 13-15 Sep. 2011 Livingston, ZAM	🟨	🟥	🟨	🟥	🟥	🟨
MELECON 2012 25-28 Mar. 2012 Hammamet, TUN	🟨	🟥	🟥	🟥	🟨	🟥
SIBIRCON 2012 27-31 Aug. 2012 Belokuriha, RUS	🟩	🟨	🟥	🟥	🟨	🟥
HISTELCON 2012 5-7 Sep. 2012 Pavia, ITA	🟥	🟥	🟥	🟥	🟥	🟥
ENERGYCON 2012 9-12 Sep. 2012 Florence, ITA	🟩	🟩	🟨	🟨	🟥	🟥
EUROCON 2013 2-5 July 2013 Zagreb, CRO	🟩	🟩	🟨	🟥	🟩	🟨
AFRICON 2013 9-12 Sept. 2013 Mauritius	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

The new emerging technologies have improved their participation in comparison to previous report (March 13, 2011). Their share in topics of R8 conferences has risen to from 13.9 % to 16.7 % (see to pie charts below). However, there are no additional information since March 2012.

New emerging technologies in R8 Conferences — Mar. 13, 2011

- Series1; Fully covered; 13,9%; 14%
- Series1; Some aspects covered; 19,4%; 19%
- Series1; Not covered at all; 66,7%; 67%
- ■ Fully covered
- ■ Some aspects covered

New emerging technologies in R8 Conferences — Jan. 9, 2012

- Series1; Fully covered; 16,7%; 17%
- Series1; Some aspects covered; 30,6%; 30%
- Series1; Not covered at all; 52,8%; 53%
- ■ Fully covered

Still, it can be concluded that the new emerging technologies are not well covered in the R8 conferences. Such case can have effects on actuality and attractiveness of these conferences. Therefore, the ad hoc coordinator will work with the Conferences Coordination Subcommittee (CoCSC) towards promoting these new areas of work.

c) Education: FDC topics are not present in the program of the EASC. The EASC met in Berlin (30 Mar. 2012) and and it was concluded to organize a WebEx conference on one of the FDC topics

d) Industry relations: The IRSC is active in some new fields, especially dealing with Energy - Renewable energy.

e) Standards: There is opportunity to get involved, but no visible activities (other than in the Smart Grid area) in FDC topics so far.

Activity plan for 2012:

Period Jan-Dec. 2012

1. Deliverable #1: Report / Plan for 2012   (Submitted 15 Jan.2012)

2. Establish e-mail contacts with following WG and their chairs   (Jan.-Mar. 2012)

Working Group	Co-Chair(s)	Email	Status
Green ICT	Alexis Kwasinski	akwasins@mail.utexas.edu	YES
Technology Time Machine	J Roberto Boisson de Marca	rdemarca@uol.com.br	YES
Smart Grid	Wanda K Reder	wreder@sandc.com	YES
Cloud Computing	Stephen L Diamond	s.diamond@computer.org	NO
Electric Vehicles	Russell J Lefevre	r.lefevre@ieee.org	YES
IEEE Committee on Earth Observations (ICEO)	Tom Wiener CC: Jay Pearlman CC: Michael Lightner	t.wiener@ieee.org jay.pearlman@ieee.org Michael.Lightner@colorado.edu	YES
Life Science Initiative			

3. Organize a WebEx conference   Organized on March 20, 2012

      Participants: FDC WG Chairs and TAB Committee

      Topic: Collaboration between FDC and R8 TAB

      The IEEE FD committee is lead by Roberto DeMarca (rdemarca@uol.com.br), who was speaker at the conference

      Deliverable #3: Minutes/Summary from the WebEx conference   (Apr. 2012)

4. Actions to include more FDC topics into the R8 Conferences:

      Presentation of FDC activities at the CoCSC Meeting in Berlin   (March 30, 2012)

      Deliverable #4: ppt Presentation

      A short report was published in R8 Newsletter, June 2012 issue.

5.. Deliverable #5: 200-300 words article for R8 Newsletter about FDC in R8   Published in June 2012 issue

http://ttm.ieee.org

**6. IEEE Webinar together with Education Activities Subcommittee on topic "Introduction to Electric Vehicles".
Postponed due to operation/functional problems of WebEx system   July 3, 2012**

7. To set a list of Distinguished Lecturers in the FDT (DLiFuDiT)   (Oct. 2012)

      Deliverable #2.1: List of Distinguished Lecturers (webinars, teleconferences)

      Explore presentations/collaborations with Region 8 sections

      Deliverable #2.2: Submit a short article 200-300 words to Region 8 news   28 Feb. 2012

                                (r8news@ieee.org)

8. Deliverable #7: 150-200 words article for R8 Newsletter

      - announcement of Webinar to be held in Nov 2012   (Sep 2012)

9. Skype conference with TAB   (late Aug. 2012)

10. Webinar of one of the DLiFuDiT   (Sep. 2012)

11. Face–to-Face / TC meeting at the R8 Meeting   (Oct. 2012)

12. Lecture on a FDC topic via Skype at the R8 Meeting   (Oct. 2012)

      Deliverable #8: ppt Presentation

13. Preparation of plan for 2013   (Nov. 2012)

14. Deliverable #9: Activity plan for 2013   (Dec. 2012)

GOLD Subcommittee

Officers: **Election Date:**   **Term End Date:**

• Salima Kaissi (Chair)	01/01/2011	31/12/2012
• Joao Carlos Prazeres Figueiras (Past Chair)	01/01/2011	31/12/2012
• Nele Reynders	01/01/2011	31/12/2012
• Khaled Mokhtar	01/01/2012	31/12/2012
• Rafal Sliz	01/01/2011	31/12/2012

Introduction

The R8 GOLD Committee is proud to give a brief description of its achievements during 2011 and 2012. The committee was focusing from the start on its continuous involvement in increasing the GOLD visibility, and building a strong basis for a bright future of GOLD and a tremendous momentum on Region 8 development.

I) **Highlights**

1. Membership

- Twelve New Affinity Groups in 2 years, reaching 38 Affinity Groups in 2012 (36% YoY Growth)
- Growth in membership and high decrease in arrears (more details in the statistics section)
- Strong collaboration with MD committee in the "Associate" campaign, which allowed the elevation of 160 Associate Members to Members
- Several STEP events permitting strongest relationship with Students

2. Electronic Communication

- Website is finalized and online, and updated on regular bases
- Social Pages were establishes in 2011 and are updated regularly with new content and news
- Skype meetings with GOLD Chairs in order to recognize their needs and demands
- Regular inputs in GOLDRush and R8 Newsletter
- First Edition of the GOLD Book in 2011 and the GOLD Book Video in 2012

3. Awards

- R8 GOLD was always among winners in the two first editions of the MGA GOLD Hall of Fame Award (winners were Finland in 2011 and Egypt in 2012)
- R8 Outstanding GOLD Affinity received a special momentum in 2012 by receiving around ten applications (instead of two or three applications in the last few years)
- R8 Outstanding GOLD Affinity Group Winners: Egypt in 2011 and Croatia in 2012

4. Student Branch and GOLD Congress 2012

- Very rich program and world class speakers
- High attendees rate compared to the SBC 2010, both funded and unfunded, which shows more interest of members to GOLD and its activities
- Another successful collaboration with Students Members

5. IEEE Day

- 2011's edition was fully lead by R8 GOLD Committee registering a tremendous results, including more than 170 events worldwide showing the impact of the committee on the global level and on all member status levels

II)   **Statistics**

1.   Membership

	February 2012	**July 2012**	**2012 Growth**		**July 2011**	**July 2012**	**YoY Growth**
GOLD Membership	9,692	11,873	+23%	**GOLD Membership**	11,631	11,873	2%
Arrears	4,630	3,042	-34%	**Arrears**	5,053	3,042	-40%

2.   R8 GOLD Social Media

- Facebook - 947 likes, increase 48% since April 2012
- Twitter – 23 followers
- LinkedIn - 417 members, increase 39% since April 2012

3.   IEEE Day 2011

- Submitted photos for the Photo Contest: 566
- Submitted photos for the Group photo: 50
- Submitted Events: 168
- Facebook – 8382 Fans (on Sept 10th, 2012)
- LinkedIn – 760 Members (on Sept 10th, 2012)
- Twitter – 744 Followers (on Sept 10th, 2012)
- Web Stats for (between Sep 21, 2011 and Nov 19, 2011):
    o   Web Visits: 32,062 (72.13% new visits)
    o   Unique visitors: 23,751
    o   Pageviews: 96,951 (80.94% unique views)
    o   Average: 534.38 Visits/Day

III)   **Plans - Near Future**

- Full support to IEEE Day 2012
- Online Meetings with Chairs
- Articles on R8News and GOLDRush
- Preparation of a new GOLD Award: R8 GOLD Volunteer Award
- Revive the GOLD Chairs mailing list
- GOLD Best Practices Manual

Industry Relations Subcommittee (IRSC)

Chair: Ghaleb Dandan (dandangb@hotmail.com) (IEEE Saudi Arabia (East) Section)

Committee members: Fulcieri Maltini (IEEE France Section)

Axel Richter (IEEE Germany Section)

MAJOR IRSC Accomplishments from April to August 2012

1. More than 50 % OF IEEE Region 8 Sections have provided an industry relations officer (IRO) to support the Industry Relations Subcommittee (IRSC). Those IROs will be able to enhance collaboration with industry and provide regular reports/feedback to IRSC committee to improve their activities

2. Finalized and issued a new Industry Relations Manual to support all IRO activities and lay down their roles and responsibilities along with detailed information of how to perform their work.

3. Finalized and issued the IRO report and format to be used by all IROs to be filled in semi-annual basis
http://ieee.fluidsurveys.com/surveys/R8/iro-semi-annual-report/

4. Finalized three industry relations awards along with the criteria and process involved

5. Finalized the Industry Nomination Form and it is currently in the final stages of being published

6. Communicated the role of IROs through a webinar on 18 Sept. 2012.

Industry Relations Officer: <u>Summary</u> Roles and Responsibilities

The Industry Relations Officer (IRO) is a position that is created within each section to strengthen the relationship between IEEE and the Industry. IROs play an important role in understanding the industry needs and work closely with industry professionals to address their requirements and promote IEEE activities, products and services.

Goals & Objectives:

The goals of the Section Industry Relation Officer (IRO) are to:

- Bridge the gap and enhance relationships between industry, academia/research, government and the IEEE
- Influence the industry to support the engagement of their professionals in IEEE activities to benefit for its products and services
- Develop IEEE membership in industry and strive towards a balance between academic and industry volunteers / members within an IEEE geographical unit / section.
- Promote the IEEE Region 8 awards for corporate and corporate IEEE members.

Scope:

The scope of IRO duties is summarized as follows:
1. Identify industry needs by conducting section-level surveys as appropriate
2. Promote IEEE to industry by informing them about IEEE benefits and its available products and services.
3. Highlight the benefits of joining IEEE to industry professionals
4. Create & maintain a database of companies and contacts
5. Encourage networking between IEEE members in industry and academia
6. Establish synergy among academia, research and industry
7. Convince IEEE to position its products & services better towards industry's needs
8. Promote members and volunteer's involvement with industry and community-at-large
9. Cooperate with Section, Chapter and Student Branch representatives in developing contacts and relationship with the industry and community
10. Interact with IEEE entities and subcommittees (SC) such as R8 IRSC, chapters and other neighbouring sections with respect to industry related activities.
11. Support IEEE local, regional and society/council conference activities by encouraging conference organizers to introduce industry tracks/sessions as well as continuing education programmes for industry professionals

Functions:

IRO functions can be summarized as follows:
1. Ensure that the section establishes and maintains contacts and links with local industries, national/sister societies and other organizations.
2. Provide guidelines and support to the Section, Chapter and Student Branch representatives and others as required
3. Distribute information regarding IEEE activities
4. Identify local needs in order to allow IEEE to adapt its offerings of standard – and/or tailored products and services.
5. Facilitate development of tools and materials to communicate with local industry and community-at-large
6. Recruit and promote volunteers from industry
7. Promote Continuing Education programmes and other local events with industry
8. Support local conference activities within councils/societies or sections
9. Conduct periodic visits to major industries and provide presentations as necessary to promote IEEE activities
10. Provide two reports annually to the IRSC Subcommittee.

Other Activities:

1. Partner with other national/regional professional societies to exchange information about events and strengthen collaboration between these professional entities.
2. Team-up with national computing, societies working in IEEE designated fields, project Management and research centres.

Jubilee Book Coordinator

Within the period from April to September the core group of the Editorial Board consisting of the project champions Tony Davies, Martin Bastiaans, Kurt Richter, Roland Saam, and Charles Turner had a face-to-face meeting right after the meeting of the Region 8 Committee in Berlin followed by three Skype conferences where the progress of the particular anniversary projects described below were analyzed and discussed..

Anniversary Projects:

1. Web-Based Histories:

   1.1 Martin Bastiaans reviewed his article on the Early History of Region 8. Parts of it will be included in his paper presented at HISTELCON 2012 in Pavia, Italy, in September during a special session on the History of Region 8. At this conference Tony Davies as well as Jacob Baal-Schem will present papers on the expansion of Region 8 activities and membership in Eastern Europe from1990 and R8 Conferences, respectively.

   1.2 All Region 8 **Past Directors** who did not respond yet were asked again to send in their short memoirs containing the highlights of their term as directors. Unfortunately, the response was very low.

   1.3 In June a review of the Section histories posted to the **Global History Network (GHN)** showed that entries of only 18 Sections can be considered as completed, the entries of 8 sections are partially complete, while 30 Sections have not posted their history yet.
   The 18 Section Histories completed were posted by the following Sections:

   > Austria, Benelux, Germany, Hungary, Iran, Israel, Jordan, Latvia, Morocco, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Republic of Macedonia, Russia NWT, South Africa, Turkey, Tunisia, UK&RI.

   > Hopefully, at the R8 Meeting in Tallinn more Sections can be added to the above list.

2. Oral History

2.1 Interviews completed:

   The following interviews have been completed and transcribed for posting to the GHN:

Reg Russel	6th Director	Basil Osborne	12th Director
Rolf Remshardt	19th Director	Baldomir Zajc	22nd Director

2.2 Interviews planned:

   The following interviews are planned to be completed by the end of 2012:

Jean Lebel	2nd Director	Charles Turner	16th Director
Tony Davies	21st Director	Kurt Richter	15th Director

3. Minutes of the R8 Committee Meetings

   Since all minutes are scanned this project can be considered as completed.

   However, the minutes of the 4 meetings listed below are still missing. Therefore, our request is repeated:
   Whoever can find copies of one of those minutes may report to Martin or Kurt!

1965	Fall meeting	Geneva, Switzerland Section
1966	Fall meeting	Leuven, Benelux Section
1968	Fall meeting	Tel Aviv, Israel Section
1974	Fall meeting	Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia Section

4. Region 8 News - Special Anniversary Issue

   It was agreed that the special anniversary issue would be published in March 2013, ahead of the Madrid meeting of the Region 8 Committee. The content of this special issue is still being discussed within the Jubilee Core Group together with the R8 News editors. However, since the view angle might be too narrow it is planned to contact prominent R8 members and non-members asking some key questions about what they would be interested to read in such a special anniversary issue.

5. Anniversary celebrations

An outline of the planned celebration of the 100th Region 8 Committee Meeting in Madrid in March 2013 will be presented orally by the R8 Director-Elect Martin Bastiaans at the 99th meeting in Tallinn.

This report will be updated at the R8 Meeting in Tallinn, Estonia.

Kurt R. Richter

R8 Jubilee Book Coordinator

Life Member Coordinator

IEEE Life Membership Qualifications

IEEE "Life" status is an automatic process based on an individual's membership record. To qualify for Life member status, a member must be at least 65 years of age and have been a member of IEEE or one of its predecessor societies for such a period that the sum of his/her age and his/her years of membership equals or exceeds 100 years.

Benefits of Life membership

  * Dues and regional assessments are waived for Life Members.

  * For qualifying Life Members, society fees are also waived.

  * Individuals may receive reduced member rates at IEEE sponsored conferences.

  * Life Members continue to receive the same benefits that are available to other IEEE members.

IEEE Life Members Affinity Groups

An IEEE Life Members Affinity Group is a local Unit of an IEEE Organizational Unit, constituted by IEEE members who have obtained Life Member status and established by petition, and concerned to represent and fulfill the needs of the local IEEE Life Members. A petition to establish an IEEE LM Affinity Group www.ieee.org/societies_communities/geo_activities/forms_petitions/DF_IEEE_MIG_MCT_63099 must be submitted and approved by the IEEE LM Committee Chair, Region Director, and Section Chair.

For IEEE Life Members Affinity Group Management and Procedures visit www.ieee.org/societies_communities/geo_activities/life_members/group_management.html

LM Group Officers Positions

Officers of the Life Members Group shall be **at least a Chair and a Vice Chair**. Each member of the Life Members Group Committee shall have attained IEEE Life Member status and be an IEEE member of Member, Senior Member, or Fellow grade.

Keeping Life Members Active and Engaged

The Life Member Committee www.ieee.org/societies_communities/geo_activities/life_members/life_members_committee.html

believes that keeping Life Members active and engaged is a key component to the success of the IEEE in local IEEE activities. This engagement can be conducted through the local Section and/or Technical Chapter but the LMC believes that having a local LM Affinity Group is a more effective method in keeping Life Members active.

If your Section does not have an LM Affinity Group, you are encouraged to discuss the formation of an LM Affinity Group with your Section leadership.

Why Establish a Life Members Group?

While many Life Members remain active in IEEE projects at various levels of IEEE, the Life Members Committee encourages the formation of Life Members Groups in Sections because the Committee believes more Life Members will remain involved if there are Life Members Groups.

Life Members Groups enable Life Members to retain active IEEE associations, contribute to the social good in their communities, advance the professional interests of IEEE and allow members to enjoy each other's company.

If you have any questions concerning LM group formation don't hesitate to send me an e-mail a.szabo@ieee.org

What LM Groups Can Do?

Life Member Groups should organize at least two meetings during the calendar year to remain active. All meetings are counted (technical, social, administrative).

Life Member Groups can cooperate with Chapters, GOLD Affinity Groups and Student Branches in common projects.

Life Members can help in Section Operation and especially in Membership Recruitment, Retention and Recovery.

Life Members often know much about history and can help a lot in LM Group and Section history activities, and participate in the Milestone program.

Life Members Groups are authorized by the IEEE Life Members Committee an annual budget, not exceeding **US$1,000**, towards meetings or activities acceptable to the Regional Life Members Coordinator. The funding will be provided upon actual expenses. Prior to any Life Members Group expenditure requiring additional Life Members Committee funding, the approval must first be obtained from the Regional Life Members Coordinator.

Life Member Groups in Region 8

We have LM Groups in 10 Sections: Croatia, France, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland and UK&RI Section.

During 2011 Sections having enough Life Members have been contacted and invited to form LM Groups and **new Life Member Groups have been formed in Greece, Hungary and Slovenia**.

The number of Life Members is growing in Region 8. In many other Sections in our Region we have enough Life Members to form LM Groups. There is a great potential to form new LM Groups. Here are the counts of Life Members in Sections on 14 September 2012:

Section Name	Count of Life Members on 14 Sep 2012	Section Name	Count of Life Members on 14 Sep 2012
Austria	20	Malta	1
Benelux	116	Nigeria	2
Croatia, LMG	15	Norway	36
Cyprus	2	Poland	20
Czechoslovakia	3	Portugal	7
Denmark	34	Qatar	2
Egypt	35	Rep of Macedonia	1
Finland	28	Romania	11
France, LMG	81	Russia NW	1
Germany	174	Russia Siberia	1
Greece, LMG	28	Saudi Arabia	5
Hungary. LMG	13	Serbia & Montenegro	6
Iceland	3	**Slovenia, LMG**	12
Israel, LMG	112	South Africa	12
Italy, LMG	115	**Spain, LMG**	45
Jordan	5	Sweden	92
Kenya	1	**Switzerland, LMG**	168
Kuwait	2	Turkey	12
Latvia	1	**UK&RI, LMG**	231
Lebanon	2	Ukraine	3
		UAE	4

I am inviting Sections in Region 8 having enough Life Members to initiate the formation of LM Groups.

To be better informed about LM benefits, possible activities and the possibility of forming an LM Group please send this Report to Life Members in your Section.

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Membership Development Subcommittee (MDSC)

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Mourad Loulou (Tunisia)

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Antonio Luque (Spain, corresponding member)

For more information on MD activities in the region, visit our site:

http://www.ieeer8.org/category/member-activities/membership-development/

Membership status in IEEE

Monthly Census		YoY Variance		Jul '12	Jul '11	Jun '12	Jul '12 vs. Jun '12
IEEE Membership	(+)	6,542	+ 1.7%	385,808	379,266	362,993	+ 6.3%
• Honorary	⌃	2	+ 6.7%	32	30	31	+ 3.2%
• Fellow	⌃	164	+ 2.5%	6,858	6,694	6,843	+ 0.2%
• Senior Member	⌃	913	+ 2.8%	33,503	32,590	32,792	+ 2.1%
• Member	⌃	1,020	+ 0.4%	234,978	233,958	212,565	+ 10.5%
• Associate Member	⌄	- 821	- 5.8%	13,300	14,121	11,962	+ 11.2%
• Graduate Student	⌃	2,482	+ 6.7%	39,675	37,193	41,548	- 4.5%
• Undergraduate Student	⌃	2,882	+ 5.3%	57,462	54,680	57,252	+ 0.4%
Society Memberships	(-)	(5,766)	- 1.8%	316,541	322,307	298,946	+ 5.9%
• 5 Societies up > 1%	⌃	1,819					
• 11 Societies +/- 1%	◁▷	439					
• 22 Societies down > 1%	⌄	(10,414)					

Societies Note: Sum of respective gains and losses, with all counts including Affiliates. Without Affiliates, total Society memberships are down year-over-year by (3,358) or -1.1%.

IEEE membership is still rising, and this over all membership grades (except for associate membership). However, the rise has been considerably lower than in previous years. This is due to multiple causes. First of all, the retention rate in February was considerably lower than before. This means that a higher percentage of the members of 2011 did not choose to renew for 2012. Furthermore, the decline in the US continues, with strong losses in higher grade membership (excluding GSM). Lastly, the recruitment is lower compared to previous years (also in Region 8), possibly through the crisis.

Regions 7 to 10 achieved an increase in membership. Regions 1 to 6 didn't.

REGION	Higher-Grade w/o GSM				Graduate Students				Undergraduate Students				TOTAL MEMBERS			
	2012	2011	Change		2012	2011	Change		2012	2011	Change		2012	2011	Change	
			#	%			#	%			#	%			#	%
1	30,273	30,911	(638)	-2.1%	1,547	1,489	58	3.9%	1,590	1,637	-47	-2.9%	33,410	34,037	(627)	-1.8%
2	26,639	27,315	(676)	-2.5%	1,546	1,417	129	9.1%	1,603	1,714	-111	-6.5%	29,788	30,446	(658)	-2.2%
3	24,657	24,887	(230)	-0.9%	1,830	1,755	75	4.3%	2,306	2,340	-34	-1.5%	28,793	28,982	(189)	-0.7%
4	18,631	18,850	(219)	-1.2%	1,384	1,478	(94)	-6.4%	1,579	1,775	(196)	-11.0%	21,594	22,103	(509)	-2.3%
5	24,043	24,420	(377)	-1.5%	1,337	1,336	1	0.1%	2,046	1,981	65	3.3%	27,426	27,737	(311)	-1.1%
6	48,077	48,615	(538)	-1.1%	2,292	2,310	(18)	-0.8%	2,910	2,780	130	4.7%	53,279	53,705	(426)	-0.8%
R 1-6	172,320	174,998	(2,678)	-1.5%	9,936	9,785	151	1.5%	12,034	12,227	-193	-1.6%	194,290	197,010	(2,720)	-1.4%
7	13,586	13,410	176	1.3%	1,495	1,374	121	8.8%	1,207	1,145	62	5.4%	16,288	15,929	359	2.3%
8	55,333	54,102	1,231	2.3%	8,277	8,172	105	1.3%	7,672	7,771	-99	-1.3%	71,282	70,045	1,237	1.8%
9	10,049	9,206	843	9.2%	1,136	1,173	(37)	-3.2%	5,685	5,614	71	1.3%	16,870	15,993	877	5.5%
10	57,025	52,588	4,437	8.4%	10,176	9,110	1,066	11.7%	27,295	25,194	2,101	8.3%	94,496	86,892	7,604	8.8%
R 7-10	135,993	129,306	6,687	5.2%	21,084	19,829	1,255	6.3%	41,859	39,724	2,135	5.4%	198,936	188,859	10,077	5.3%
TOTAL	308,313	304,304	4,009	1.3%	31,020	29,614	1,406	4.7%	53,893	51,951	1,942	3.7%	393,226	385,869	7,357	1.9%

Geographic IEEE Membership Summary - August 2012

Only Regions 7 and 9 had a slightly higher retention percentage in 2012 (comparing to 2011).

REGION	HIGHER GRADE w/o GSM				GRADUATE STUDENTS				UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS				TOTAL MEMBERS			
	Opportunity	Renewal			Opportunity	Renewal			Opportunity	Renewal			Opportunity	Renewal		
		#	%, '12	%, '11		#	%, '12	%, '11		#	%, '12	%, '11		#	%, '12	%, '11
1	30,323	26,282	86.7%	86.7%	1,844	1,362	73.9%	73.6%	1,623	738	45.5%	48.6%	33,790	28,382	84.0%	84.2%
2	26,773	23,004	85.9%	86.0%	1,809	1,322	73.1%	74.4%	1,695	796	47.0%	51.1%	30,277	25,122	83.0%	83.5%
3	24,219	20,321	83.9%	83.8%	2,264	1,706	75.4%	75.7%	2,296	1,072	46.7%	49.6%	28,779	23,099	80.3%	80.7%
4	18,389	15,620	84.9%	84.6%	1,841	1,359	73.8%	76.3%	1,746	816	46.7%	51.1%	21,976	17,795	81.0%	81.4%
5	23,865	20,097	84.2%	84.6%	1,740	1,327	76.3%	74.5%	1,924	912	47.4%	48.1%	27,529	22,336	81.1%	81.6%
6	47,724	40,573	85.0%	85.2%	2,926	2,123	72.6%	74.1%	2,749	1,321	48.1%	49.9%	53,399	44,017	82.4%	82.8%
R 1-6	171,293	145,897	85.2%	85.2%	12,424	9,199	74.0%	74.7%	12,033	5,655	47.0%	49.7%	195,750	160,751	82.1%	82.5%
7	12,837	10,609	82.6%	82.2%	1,847	1,479	80.1%	82.3%	1,138	647	56.9%	57.6%	15,822	12,735	80.5%	80.4%
8	51,823	40,223	77.6%	79.2%	10,088	7,510	74.4%	74.9%	7,733	2,978	38.5%	38.9%	69,644	50,711	72.8%	74.0%
9	8,740	6,073	69.5%	69.3%	1,525	1,002	65.7%	66.7%	5,539	1,434	25.9%	26.6%	15,804	8,509	53.8%	53.4%
10	51,231	38,309	74.8%	76.4%	10,084	5,195	51.5%	49.1%	24,890	5,151	20.7%	21.6%	86,205	48,655	56.4%	57.6%
R 7-10	124,631	95,214	76.4%	77.8%	23,544	15,186	64.5%	64.1%	39,300	10,210	26.0%	27.1%	187,475	120,610	64.3%	65.5%
TOTAL	295,925	241,112	81.5%	82.2%	35,969	24,386	67.8%	67.9%	51,334	15,865	30.9%	32.4%	383,228	281,363	73.4%	74.5%

Table title: IEEE Membership Renewal / Retention -August 2012

Membership status in the Region
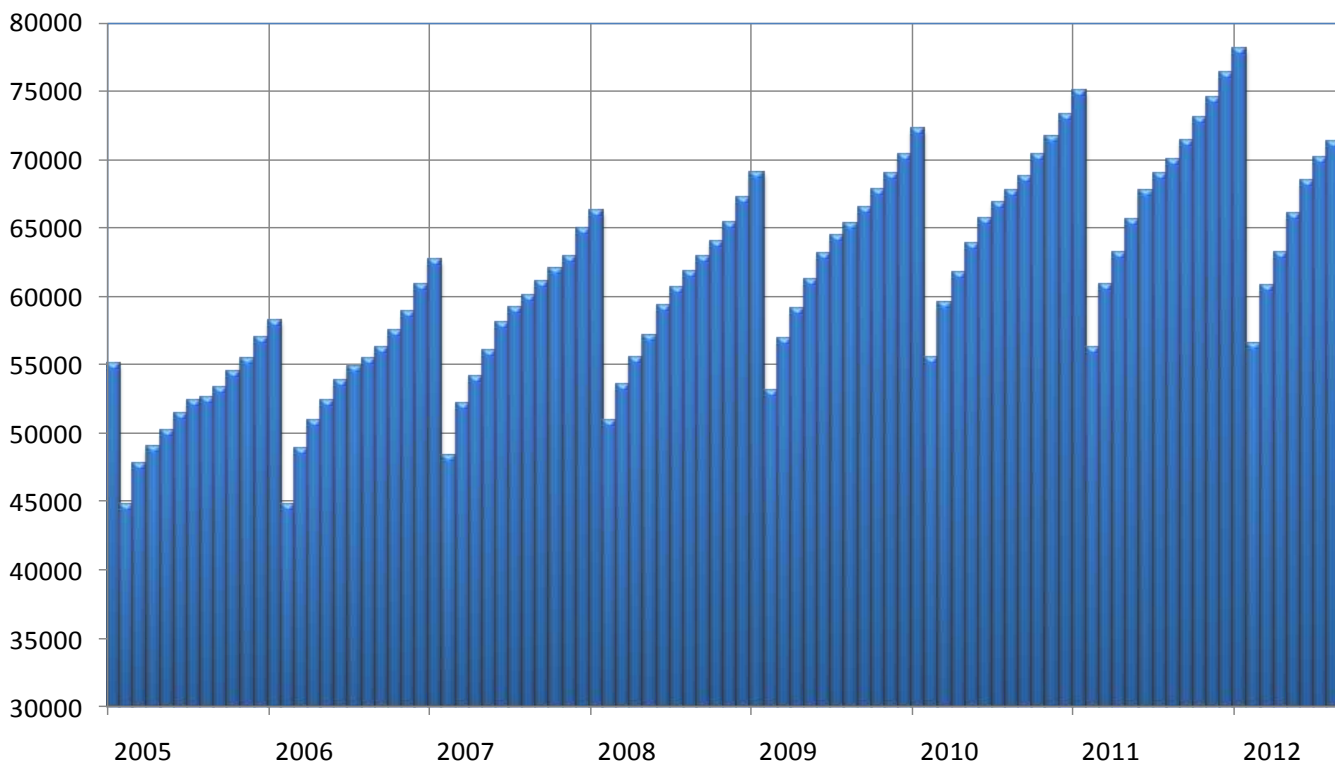
At the end of February, those members that did not renew are removed from the membership lists, and become "members in arrears". Each year a considerable part of the membership base decides not to renew its membership. This effect is compensated with a significant number of new members, compensating for our loss. This year, the drop was considerable and more than in previous years, and the membership numbers in March were lower than the year before. Together with IEEE headquarters (and more specifically through the help of Nick Lehotzky), the IEEE R8 MD team has contacted the larger sections to tackle this problem. Region 8 had the highest number of sections participating, and from our point of view, this activity was a

success. In the meantime we have recovered from that situation, but our growth is still considerably below previous years. As can be seen in the staircase (ZigZag) graph above, we are still gaining overall, with a long term growth.

As the new membership year has started in the middle of August, it is now time to start recruiting new members. Start with the members in your vicinity: your company, local university, your next (IEEE(?)) conference,…

More than counting members

Membership development is also more than just counting the numbers, it is also about informing the members about the possibilities within IEEE (making optimal use of their membership) and helping them (or the volunteer) through the difficult task of wading through the abundant information that is available online.

The membership development officer is also looking at the career path of the member: from student to GOLD to member and senior member and maybe even fellow. Many of our members are in the wrong category, often through lack of information.

Update of MD team activities after Berlin

MD presented itself at the SBC and Gold conference in Madrid. MD committee member Antonio Luque discussed the problems and opportunities of membership development as well as the available tools during the GOLD track.

Together with the GOLD team we have been organizing an associate member upgrade campaign which resulted in a significant upgrade of associate members to regular member.

We would like to upgrade about 500 members to senior members in 2012. We achieved our goal in 2011, and try to get the same…

Workshop to be held in Leuven, Belgium on September 22

All IEEE officers are welcome (only MD officers are sponsored for their local expenses).

Agenda of the meeting:

Friday evening:

- 20h00 dinner (place to be decided)

Saturday 22/9

- 9h30 start (with a coffee)
- 9h45 Introductions and welcome
- 10h00 IEEE membership and membership development: MGA and region perspectives
- 11h00 IEEE membership and IEEE membership developments and the task/job description of the MD officer
- 12h00 Lunch
- 13h00 Membership development resources: hands-on
    ◦ new SAMIEEE
    ◦ E-notice
    ◦ Member grade elevation
    ◦ vtools
- 15h00 Workshop: How to develop IEEE membership in your unit
    ◦ Group discussions
    ◦ Learning from your neighbors
    ◦ Working towards an MD plan/roadmap for your section
- 17h00 Membership satisfaction
- 18h00 end of workshop

Nominations and Appointment (N&A)

by Jozef Modelski

Main activities after 6 March 2012

➢ **N&A SubCommittee prepared 2012 nominations schedule:**

- **1 April** – First announcement - call for nominations (during Spring R8 Committee Meeting in Berlin)
- **16 April** – Second announcement - call for nominations (sent by R8 Secretary to R8 Committee and Chairs of Chapters, SB's and AG's)
- 30 June – Final reminder (sent to R8 Committee Members)

The deadline to submit nominations - 15 July 2012 (Internally extended by 31 July, specially for VC SA)

- **19-21 August** – N&A SubCommittee Meeting
- **24 August** – information about slates/candidates sent to R8 Committee members

If candidates by petition:

- **8 September** – petition(s) must be submitted to the R8 Director or R8 Secretary
- **22 September** – information about candidates by petition sent to R8 Committee members

This schedule was presented and approved by R8 Committee during the Spring Meeting in Berlin.

➢ **Nomination process generated a strong response resulting in a total of 29 nominees**

➢ **N&A SubCommittee Meeting in Cape Town (19-21 August)**

All R8 N&A SubCommittee members attended the meeting. They also had few meetings with South Africa Section Officers, as well as gave three technical presentations at universities. All visits were excellent arranged by Jacques van Wyk and Saurabh Sinha. Thank you!

During the meeting, the N&A SubCommittee has discussed over all candidates who expressed willingness to run and approved the following Slates of Candidates:

R8 Treasurer
1. Brian Harrington (UK&RI)

R8 Secretary
1. Ali El-Mousa (Jordan)
2. Hafidh Al-Samarrai (West Saudi Arabia)

Vice Chair Member Activities
1. Christopher James (UK&RI)
2. Aleksandar Szabo (Croatia)

Vice Chair Technical Activities
1. Carl Debono (Malta)
2. Elya Joffe (Israel)

Vice Chair Student Activities
1. Pablo Herrero (Germany)
2. Jan Verveckken (Benelux)

N&A SubCommittee (3 places)
1. Goce Arsov (Macedonia)
2. Pierre Borne (France)
3. Mourad Loulou (Tunisia)
4. Irina Naidionova (Lithuania)
5. Elias Nassar (Lebanon)
6. Maciek Ogorzalek (Poland)
7. Thanos Skodras (Greece)
8. Hamid Soltanian-Zadeh (Iran)
9. Nicolae Tapus (Romania)

➢ **Any petition hasn't been received by September 8, i.e. the above slates are the final ones.**

All candidates satisfy relevant requirements and have confirmed their willingness to run.

Bios and statements of all candidates were sent to R8 Committee on September 10.

2011-2012 MEMBERS

- Józef Modelski (Poland) - Chair
- Marko Delimar (Croatia) - ex-officio
- Martin Bastiaans (Benelux) - ex-officio
- Terje Gjengedal (Norway) - elected
- Tunde Salihu (Nigeria) - elected
- Samir Shaheen (Egypt) - elected

Warsaw, 14 September 2012

Professional Activities Subcommittee (PASC)

1. INTRODUCTION

The IEEE R8 Professional Activities Sub-Committee (PASC) team: **Matej Zajc**, Chair (Slovenia Section), **Emilio Corchado** (Spain Section), **Urmet Janes** (Estonia Section)

To contact Professional Activities Team: r8pasc@ieee.org

2. STRATEGIC PLANNING

MAJOR GOALS
The PASC team has set three main goals set at the begging of the year:
- Increase the understanding and the extent of Professional Activities within Region 8
- Establish a program of Professional Activities for Region 8
- Professional Activities should provide a place for interdisciplinary collaboration and networking

SPECIFIC GOALS
- Publicize the Professional Activities by written material and different electronic media
- Coordinate Professional Activities in sections through local Professional Activities leaders
- Providing support and expertise to sections, chapters, societies and student branches within the region (e.g. Professional Activities materials)
- Establish active contacts with other committees within IEEE and other institutions (e.g. JCI)
- Organization of annual Professional Activities Summit.

3. REPORT

ACTIONS TAKEN

In 2012 actions were conducted in order to increase the level of activities and the understanding within the region:

1. Sections contacted to organize events to increase the level of activities within the region. Several workshops successfully planned for autumn-winter this year with organization of local PA volunteers.

2. In July Professional Activities Summit held within the program of SBC 2012 in Madrid, Spain. Three parallel workshops attracted volunteers at the half-day event (report will be published in R8 News).

3. Sections contacted to propose new PA trainers/speakers to increase the available volunteers and PA topics in Region 8.

4. Established active contacts with other committees and IEEE bodies, e.g. IEEE Professional Communication Society.

5. Maintenance of a web page with details on PA activities and contacts.

6. PASC Presentation was delivered by Emilio Corchado at SBC 2012 to student and GOLD members of the Region 8.

7. PASC Presentation at Sections Congress 2011 was recorded as a webinar this summer and will be available for online viewing. Best practices in the area of professional activities in Region 8 were presented by Matej Zajc, PASC chair.

REPORT ON PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES SUMMIT WITHIN SBC 2012 MADRID

PASC organized under the frame of SBC 2012 three interesting and successful workshops with the aim to prepare attendees for their workplace and improve their views for future career enhancements, giving the opportunity to develop project management and leadership skills.

On Thursday, there were a presentation addresses to all the participants importance of professional activities and to introduce the Saturday's Professional Activities track. It was very successful with an energetic and active audience, where several questions and discussions were hold.

The subjects and speakers were:

- Margaretha Eriksson (presented by Ali El-Mousa): Effective Communication and From Idea to Product
- Han van Loon: STARS Thought Leader workshop
- Byron Soulopoulos (JCI): Take back control of your own future

The great audience was based on enthusiastic volunteers, including students, gold members and senior members. There were around 100 participants. Their enthusiasm and whole-hearted engagement made the three workshops fun and rewarding for all of us. The feedback from the attendees was pretty good, and a clear sign of it was great participation. It is worthy to emphasize the fact that several Student and Gold Sections representatives contact the PASC in order to organized similar events in their countries.

Several possible improvements in the organization of the event were highlighted and will be considered in the organization of next event.

4. PLANS FOR 2012 AND STATUS ON THE TARGETED GOALS

We have several continuing activities:

- PA volunteers in Sections:

Communication with sections to appoint a PA volunteer in each section. Currently, there are 27 (out of 56) sections that have a volunteer for Professional Activities listed.

- Formation of a database for Region 8 approved speakers and workshop organizers.

PASC is setting up a web page that would put together information about PA events and PA trainers/presenters. During the process of creating the PA Summit program several new PA speakers were promoted and will be available in future events.

- Continue the Professional Activities workshops

Collaboration with other committees is initiated to plan common PA events, e.g. Professional Communication Society, and JCI.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

The Region8 Professional Activities plans to:

- Increase the visibility of PA within the region through written material that includes information about Region8 PA, workshops organization, etc.
- Organize smaller regional Professional Activities Summits next year to train the future trainers in Region8 and to increase the number of volunteers involved in PA.
- Provide an updated PA Handbook manual to guide organization of PA events in sections.
- Continue with implementation of the Though Leadership Program and similar programs in Region 8 with organization of pilot events.

5. NOTES TO SECTIONS

Section can greatly help the PASC team in common efforts by:

1. Appointing a Professional Activity volunteer in case not yet present.
2. Reporting on Professional Activities in your Section.
3. Contacting R8 PASC for organizing events in your Section.
4. Propose volunteer presenters with Section's references.

9.9.2012   Matej Zajc, PASC Chair

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Standards Coordinator

Coordinator: David Law (dlaw@hp.com) (IEEE UK&RI Section)
IEEE position paper standards in the engineering curriculum

Goal

Promote the 'IEEE Position Paper on the Role of Technical Standards in the Curriculum of Academic Programs in Engineering, Technology and Computing' with the various IEEE R8 local and regional accreditation bodies as well as national and regional standards development organisations. Work on the possibility of national and regional standards development organisations endorsing, or adopting this position paper as ANSI already has done so.

Approach

Work with our educational activities subcommittee (EASC), Region 8 towards disseminating the position paper further.

Status

The position paper has been introduced to some national and regional standards development organisations in Europe through IEEE-SA outreach activities.

Budget

None

Standards speakers and tracks at conferences

Goals

Arrange both individual speakers on standards and/or whole standards tracks at major IEEE R8 conferences. Collaborate with Standards Education Committee (SEC) to arrange workshops on standards areas such as Smart Grid and IEEE 802 in parallel with conferences or as independent events.

Continue to collaborate with SEC to utilise the 'Standards Education Speaker's Bureau' in R8 which is similar to the existing Distinguished Lecturer program run by societies.

Status

IEEE R8 webinar
 A one hour IEEE R8 webinar will be held on demystifying standards.
 COMPLETED

UKRI Section meeting
 A keynote on the importance of standards will be provided at the UKRI section meeting on 22nd March.
 COMPLETED

Smart Grid Smart Grid Seminar and workshop in Denmark
 The Denmark section, in cooperation with the Standards Education Speaker's Bureau (SESB), has arranged a one day Smart Grid Smart Grid Seminar and workshop on the 29th March at the Centre for Electro Technology (CET) at Denmark Technical University (DTU).
 COMPLETED

Aalborg University (AAU)
 The Denmark section, in cooperation with the Standards Education Speaker's Bureau (SESB), has arranged a lecture at Aalborg University (AAU) on the 28th March to be given by the speaker that will be in Denmark to provide the Grid Smart Grid Seminar and workshop.
 COMPLETED

mobile@all symposium, Munich

At the request of the IEEE-SA public relations team, identified a speaker on standards and regulations in respect to mobile communications for the mobile@all symposium being held in Munich on the 28th of June.
<mark>COMPLETED</mark>

ENERGYCON 2012

The IEEE-SA is providing an IEEE Standards booth at the conference as well as a 2 hour session with three speakers on IEEE Standards-Related Activities and Trends in Smart Grid. In addition an IEEE-SA International Standards Program staff member is also attending the meeting.
<mark>Speakers have all been identified and content developed, all funded by IEEE-SA.</mark>

London Student Branch Standards Education Workshop

This will be a one day demystifying standards workshop held on 18th September. This workshop will be the pilot for a new addition to the workshop program, a 'simulation' of a 'consensus building task'. The task will have to follow rules similar to that a standards development meeting would operate and as well as being educating, it is hoped it will be more engaging to the participants than the normal presentations.
<mark>Speakers have all been identified and content under development, funded by IEEE Standards Education committee.</mark>

Other opportunities

In addition the above I will continue to look for other opportunities to cooperate with the SESB.

Budget

In most of these cases the speakers are funded by the IEEE Standards Education Speakers Bureau and the facilities by the conference organiser or local section. The one exception may be EnergyCon 2012 which may require some contribution depending on how large of a standards presence is desired.

Standards education

Goal

Provide educational content about IEEE standard, both about the process, for example the inclusion of patented technology in standards, and also about the various standards themselves. (Collaboration with IEEE Standards Education Committee (SEC))
Encourage IEEE R8 students and faculty mentors to apply for IEEE SEC mini-grants program to help with graduate and capstone design projects with an industry standards component. The IEEE then publishes the results as a Student Application Paper. (Collaboration with Student Activities)

Status

Provide educational content

This is being provided mainly through standards tracks at major IEEE R8 conferences and other events (see above).

Student Application Papers

The next deadline for Student Application Paper mini-grant applications is 15th March 2012 so I will target promoting the next deadline of 15th June 2012. I'll do this through the IEEE R8 Standards web site, IEEE R8 news and working with the Student Activities. In addition a MoU was signed with Microsoft to jointly promote and fund this program in sub Saharan Africa which should also be promoted.

CEN CENELEC ETSI joint WG on standard education

With the assistance of the IEEE Brussels office, attended a meeting of the CEN CENELEC ETSI joint WG on standard education to provide an overview of the activities of the IEEE Standards Education Committee.

Budget

None.

Strategic Planning Committee

by Jozef Modelski

We need open and timely communication, consensus building, quick response to new technology opportunities, imaginative problem solving and efficient use of resources - building a truly transnational IEEE that satisfies present needs but has a bold vision for the future.

(Key issues – similar as presented in the Spring Report)

Key steps to realize the Region 8 Mission

o Provide a platform for coordination, motivation and interaction among R8 units
o Provide a link between the Region and other IEEE organizational units
o Work to achieve smooth and effective operations in different countries
o Recognizing cultural differences, and effectively cooperating with national societies and other organizations
o Expand IEEE presence and activities to new geographic locations in R8, particularly in Africa and Middle Asia
o Promote the transnational nature of IEEE within the Region and the Institute

General remarks

- Strong support for the IEEE HQ initiatives and programs in Africa and Europe
- Strengthening cooperation with industry and national/regional organizations
- Strengthening IEEE leadership through engagement of Society Presidents and Division Directors (technical leaders) in Regional committees (as well as regional volunteers in the "global IEEE")
- Cooperation and synchronization of Region and the "global IEEE" activities (not only MGA, but also TAB, PSPB, EAB, IEEE-SA, etc) - providing more and better results

Future Region 8 structure

▪ There is a need to engage with the European Commission on behalf of our EU members in the Region to influence policy on regulation, education, etc.
  • It may be more influential for IEEE as a transnational entity to talk to the EC than multiple national societies.
  • This is not a reason to sub-divide the Region, but we should create a mechanism, taking advantage of the new office in Brussels, to represent our EU members to the EC.
▪ Investigate unifying some very small Sections (could undertake more activities, viability of Chapters)

Region 8 Committee Meetings

Region 8 Committee should continue the face-to-face meetings twice per year, as at present (while the Region can afford it). The face-to-face meetings build community and allow members to share their experiences. Because a large proportion of the committee changes annually, members benefit from two meetings per year.

Cooperation with industry

▪ Improve communications and networking with the industry at all levels
▪ Enhance IEEE Image within the industry as well as IEEE members image
▪ Provide Complete IEEE focused packages to various industry sectors.

Cooperation with national and regional Associations and Organizations

▪ IEEE Region 8 should encourage cooperation rather than competition with regional and National Societies
▪ IEEE Region 8 should work with IEEE Societies to discourage them from holding major events in parts of Region 8 without first making contacts with the local Section, Chapter and, where appropriate, National Society.
▪ IEEE R8 should investigate charitable foundations and European Commission schemes to ascertain whether any are appropriate for cooperation.
▪ IEEE R8 should strongly support cooperation between IEEE SA and relevant EU Committees as well as other regional organizations.
▪ IEEE R8 should support cooperation between professional organizations in Region 8 and relevant technical IEEE Societies.

Technical Publications Coordinator [PC]

Coordinator: Stefano Zanero (stefano.zanero@ieee.org) (IEEE Italy Section)

Goals and status

The major tasks assigned to the IEEE R8 ad-hoc Publications coordinator for 2011, with the current status as of the second quarter of 2012, are summarized below.

Goal 1) IEEE Xplore access increase

Coordination with the staff to create roster of contacts

Overview

As the position has been created this year, there was no background material for it, so a roster of appropriate contacts with the IEEE Sales and Marketing staff had to be created

Status

Completed as a result of in-person introductions during the London meeting (March 2011) of the Region.

Reach-out to Section chairs

Overview

The position should be known to section chairs, and we should start fruitful interactions with them (who are the ones who know their local reality best). In some cases, the Section Chairs are not necessarily the "most interested" person, and therefore a wider outreach has also been done, but the Section Chair has been kept in the loop (where possible).

Status

Completed. Contact emails sent with description of position and request for simple information (as a means to check that email was received and read) in Q1 2011. Limited feedback from the chairs has been received. Follow-up has generated several subtasks, see below.

Reach-out to members

Overview

Given the very limited feedback received by reaching out through Section chairs, we drafted a short email to R8 members to get their interest into creating consortia. We may follow with a questionnaire to get important feedback on how to help penetration of IEEE Xplore (more formally known as: IEEE/IET Electronic Library (IEL)) in the region. The short message has also been publicized through the Region 8 News. A further article on development of the programme is planned for a next issue of R8 News.

Status

Email was drafted and reviewed by coordinator, staff, VC-TA, R8 Director. The email went out in Q3 2011, and a database of volunteers was collected and analyzed with (limited) feedback from IEEE Professional staff.

We organized a WebEx follow-up seminar held on May 12, 2012.

We worked with the staff on the case of France, where several calls and teleconferences were held leading to possibilities in getting other research institutes (such as Supelec) to get Xplore access.

Next steps for Q3 2012 are:

- Work with other select groups in particularly responsive Sections (in particular Egypt, maybe Ukraine) for fostering national consortia; we will start with a WebEx meeting with each, and maybe a follow-up local meeting

Getting in touch with national and sister societies to help penetration of IEEE Xplore access

Overview

The idea is to help IEEE Sales and Marketing broker deals with national/sister societies and orders to get their members access to IEEE Xplore at conditions tailored to the specific Sections.

Status

Chairs have sent limited feedback/contacts on this. Contacts are currently being developed (but still in a very early stage unluckily, working our way through layers of very slow organizational hierarchies):

- Italy: the "Consiglio Nazionale degli Ingegneri" or CNI (the national body of engineering, which is a chartered profession in Italy) is currently in a wider struggle with government on the laws of the profession, and unresponsive on our subject.
- Algeria: no success in reaching out to the National Administration of Scientific Research (http://www.nasr-dz.org/contact.php) which is the entity that can broker us a deal for the universities there. The Chair of the Algeria Subsection, prof. Khezzar, is working with Paul Canning through other directions.
- Malta: no results in reaching out to Chamber of Engineering.
- Russia NW: Russian Association for Engineering Education (www.raee.ru) should be the right way to get in, the Section chair is trying to help by figuring out the right contact inside.

Helping staff on specific tasks to improve access to IEEE Xplore

Overview

I have worked on a case-by-case basis with the staff to help foster cooperation with local volunteers on the ground

Status

An early task was to help Sales and Marketing staff identify appropriate contacts for Algerian institutions and universities. While unsuccessful on the Xplore side, this spurred the formation of a subsection in Algeria.

I helped P. Canning get in touch with the Lithuania section to organize a consortium there.

I helped P. Canning getting a local speaker from the UKRI section for a seminar.

With the help of the staff, we got a special agreement in place to allow our Italian members to use their IEEE publications for a nationwide assessment of research which could turn into a PR disaster for the Xplore platform.

I also helped with the University of Malta request to join the Italian consortium to access Xplore.

Goal 2) Acquisition of publications from sister and national societies

Collecting names and contacts for relevant national publications to include in IEEE Xplore

Overview

The idea is to help IEEE Publication Services and Products Board (PSPB) acquire interesting peer-reviewed journals or proceedings from national societies to further enrich IEEE Xplore and make it even more relevant at R8 level.

Status

Chairs have sent VERY limited feedback/contacts on this. Unluckily, even when publications were identified (e.g. Proceedings of the IEEE Russia North West Section; South African Institute of Electrical Engineers Africa Research Journal, http://www.saiee.org.za/arj), the processes within the "wider" IEEE has been slow. Funding has however been supported by the IEEE Foundation for this process, and it is likely that the proposals relating to the abovementioned journals will be discussed at an upcoming meeting series (Feb. 2013): IEEE Publication Services and Products Board (PSPB).

Voluntary Contribution Fund Coordinator

Women in Engineering Coordinator

Ferdinanda Ponci, WIE R8 Coordinator

Our society cannot afford to lose women' s talents in Science & Engineering.
The IEEE Women in Engineering of Region 8 act to tackle this challenge.

WIE in R8, year-to-year data

R8	Jul. '12	Jul. '11	#	%
Europe, Africa & Middle East	2,268	2,256	12	0.5%

R8 shows stable membership. Weak retention seems the main challenge.

WIE regular Affinity Groups (AGs) and Student Branch Affinity Groups (SBAGs): In 2012, 23 new AG and SBAG were formed worldwide

Region	Regular	Student	Total
R8	24	52	76
TOTAL	119	277	396

New SBAGs and AGs in R8 (included in the counting above)
AGs

- Iraq Section, Baghdad, Iraq

- Benelux Section, Melle, Belgium

SBAGs

- Instituto Superior Tecnico, Portugal
- German Jordanian University, Amman, Jordan
- Dogus University Turkey
- Sharjah Women's College, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
- Ecole Nationale D'Ingenieurs De Tunis, Tunis, Tunisia
- Greece Section, University of Central Greece.

Activities in R8, as reported

WIE R8 Coordinator	Teleconferences with WIE Committee	monthly
WIE R8 Coordinator and ad hoc evaluation committee	Clementina Saduwa Award	February 2012
WIE R8 Coordinator	MoU IEEE - IE	July 2012
Kristen Donnell	Women in Measurement Panel at I2MTC	May 2012
Tiziana Bertoncelli, WIE AG Germany	AG Meeting	10-Jan 2012
Catarina Moura, WIE IST	WIE Tech	15-Jan, 7-May
Anastasia Safigianni, Democritus University	Resume workshop	9-Mar
Satope Oladayo, WIE Obafemi Awolowu University	IEEE General Assembly/Wanted in Engineering	5-May
David Dias, Instituto Superior Tecnico	Welcoming Freshmen	20-Sep
Mert Karaosmanoglu, Dogus University	WIE Dogus University meeting	10-Apr
Boutheina Tlili, WIE UAE	WIE Training for Student Affinity Groups	14-Apr

Most of the events in R8 are of the type "University" events. Professional events (as in WIE categories) and STAR events (as in WIE categories) are very few and none respectively. Hence, the need to strengthen the link with the STAR program and reach out to the professional world.

Summary of Activities of the Coordinator in 2012

- Monthly WIE Committee conference calls, reporting to WIE
- Preparation of articles for R8 newsletter and WIE Newsletter (past and to be submitted in the next month)
- Clementina Saduwa Award coordination
- MoU IEEE – IE Business School
- Support to the organization of the Women in Instrumentation and Measurement Panel in Graz, Austria
- Support to the WIE plan for the 50th Anniversary of the Germany Section

- Support to formation of AG and SBAG, requests to WIE
- Profile of R8 Coordinator in WIE Poster for the campaign „I change the world. I am an engineer")

Highlights

Clementina Saduwa Award - Dr. Wejdan Abu-Elhaija, Princess Sumaya University for Science and Technology from the Jordan Section, Clementina Saduwa Award 2012
Memorandum of Understanding between IEEE and the IE Foundation
The assignee of an 8,000 euro scholarship in 2012 is Alessandra Vuoto, of the Germany Section. The new round is coming up and will be advertised soon.

Balance, to-do items and challenges
Balance
- Good and constructive relation with IEEE WIE, staff and Committee
- Great responsiveness within the R8 Committee
- Growth of AGs and SBAGs (sustainable?)
To-do short term
- Strengten the connection WIE-Star Program
- Coordinate call for Clementina Saduwa Award
- Coordinate call for Best WIE Affinity Group Award in R8 (link to support for WIE Best AG Award)
- Leverage more on the Global Marathon for networking (organizing e.g. local in person meetings which ten connect to the Global Marathon)
- Create and use opportunities for giving visibiliy to R8 individual women (as a payoff for getting involved), advertise these opportunities

To-do longer term (as practical actions are to be determined and assessed)
- Facilitate the flow of Information from AG, SBAG and the Regional Coordinator
- Maintaining contacts with and between AG and SBAG (email addresses not updated, scarce responsiveness, AG, SBAG skip Coordinator in WIE connection)

Challenges
- Presence of very active environments as well as dormant ones. This is heavily dependant on the individuals. It seems very difficult to change the state. Maybe a revitalization program would help (e.g. supporting in person visits, e.g. supporting the recruiting of new officers)
- Practical benefits, goals and activities are very variegated (difficult to appeal and direct members and officers of AG, SBAG as a whole)