

# BIOGRAPHY



- Carl James Debono (PhD), is the Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Information and Communications Technology and a Senior Lecturer with the Department of Communications and Computer Engineering at the University of Malta. He has served as National Contact Point and Programme Committee Member for the Thematic Area Aeronautics and Space during the EU 6th Framework Programme and is the current National Contact Point and Programme Committee Member for the Thematic Areas Space and Security for the EU 7th Framework Programme.
- Debono's research interests are in RF and Microwave System Development and Applications, Modeling of Communications Systems, Resilient Multimedia Transmission, and multi-view video coding.
- Debono obtained his B.Eng.(Hons.) degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Malta, Malta in 1997 and Ph.D. degree in Electronics and Computer Engineering from the University of Pavia, Italy in 2001. He is a professional engineer licensed in Malta.

# IEEE ACTIVITIES

- (S'97, M'01, SM'07) – Founder of the IEEE Malta Section in 2006.
- REGIONS: Conference Coordination Committee, member, 2010, Strategic Planning Committee, member, 2009 – 2010, Conference Coordination Committee, Chair, 2011, 2012.
- SECTIONS: Malta Section: Section Chair, 2007 – 2010, Section Vice-Chair, 2011 – 2012
- MGA: MGA Conferences Ad Hoc Committee, 2012, Conferences Naming Ad hoc Committee, 2012.
- CONFERENCES: IEEE International Conference on Electronics, Circuits and Systems (Malta), Secretary, 2001. International Symposium on Communications, Control and Signal Processing (Malta), Technical Co-Chair, 2008. 15th IEEE Mediterranean Electrotechnical Conference (Malta), General Chair, 2010. 16th IEEE Mediterranean Electrotechnical Conference (Tunisia), Technical Program Co-Chair, 2012.
  - Technical Program Committee Member in a number of conferences related to Communications and Multimedia
  - Reviewer in a number of IEEE journals and conferences

# **Position Statement**

**Dr Ing. Carl James Debono, *SMIEEE***

**proposed as Vice Chair: Technical Activities – IEEE R8**

- As Vice-Chair for Technical Activities, IEEE Region 8, I will continue building on the success of my predecessors. In the last two years, I have been working with the advancement of our flagship conferences and in attracting conferences to choose Region 8 as a partner. I have worked closely with IEEE Conferences Services and am on the Ad hoc Conferences subcommittee of MGA. This year the Conference Coordination sub-committee is developing new post-conference rules and is working hard to increase more Region 8's participation in conferences. In my lead of the IEEE Malta Section, I have started the Section and organized a Region 8 meeting and one of the flagship conferences, MELECON 2010, which was a great success.
- My background will assure good management of the various subcommittees or teams relating to Region 8 technical activities. I will work to improve the number and quality of technical activities region-wide, motivate our leaders to nominate key members to positions within the IEEE technical activities board (TAB) and associated boards, increase use of modern electronic resources &/ social media to distribute information and encourage discussions, increase the awareness of IEEE standards and publications, place effort for improved chapter activities within the Region and enhanced collaboration both within the Sections and Regionally, endeavor to promote more industry participation, and strive to include IEEE Region 8's objectives and priorities in IEEE TAB strategy and IEEE as a whole.