IEEE Cyprus Section Report April 2013

1. Highlights from the past
   - IEEE Cyprus Section as a Technical co-sponsor at a number of conferences and seminars of the National University of Cyprus and the Private Universities of the country.
   - IEEE Cyprus Section as sponsor of a number of Cyprus Universities Student branches activities and seminars. (3 student branches)
   - IEEE Cyprus Section as organizer of a number of lectures regarding technical aspects and general concern aspects.
   - IEEE Cyprus Section awards to the best students of the Cyprus Universities that have IEEE student branches
   - Creation of the University of Nicosia Student Branch
   - Creation of the European University Student Branch
   - Creation of the GOLD Affinity Group
   - Creation of the Entrepreneurs Network Group
   - Creation of the University of Cyprus Power and Energy Student Chapter
   - Construction of the IEEE Cyprus Section Web Site (www.ieee.org.cy)

2. Future activities
   - Creation of new Chapters
   - Enhance the Student branches and their activities
   - Collaboration with the National Technical Chamber of Cyprus and agreement on a Memorandum of Understanding.
   - Collaboration with the IET
   - Transform Entrepreneurs Network Group into Affinity Group
   - Organize an International Student Conference in Cyprus

3. Best practices
   - Joint events with the IET and National Technical Chamber of Cyprus
   - Offer grand to allow Section student members to participate at Conferences and Workshops
   - Invite Students Branches and Chapters representatives to all the Cyprus Section committee meetings
   - Agree on a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Technical Chamber of Cyprus
   - More electronic and printing advertisements of our events in local press
   - Recruit new members from the Industry

4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion
   - Increase the technical workshops and technical visits involving the local industry and semi-government departments
   - Involvement to the new huge industry in our country concerning the Natural Gas findings with the creation of relevant seminars and workshops
   - Give incentives to student members to continue to be IEEE members after their graduation
   - Create closer relationship with the industry and involve the students on this effort for their mutual benefit

5. Miscellaneous
   - Creation of another 2 new Student branches to the remaining Technical Universities of Cyprus
   - Make an effort to organize the EnergyCon conference in 2016
   - Host the R8 Executive Committee Meeting of Spring 2015