

## IEEE Nigeria Section Report April 2013

### 1. Highlights from the past

- Attendance at national association conferences for membership recruitment (Nigeria Society of Engineers Conference in December 2012)
- Technical Seminars at University of Ilorin and University of Lagos (UNILAG).
- Monthly GOLD Webinar.
- Robotics Competition for Undergraduates Sept 2012.
- Sustenance of a moderated Listserve account for all financially active members.
- Sustenance of scholarship links and job adverts at our Website.
- Publication of Section newsletters and Computer Society bulletins.
- Publication of African Journal of Computing & ICT by Computer Society Chapter.
- New website for all student branches- [www.ieeenigeriastudents.org](http://www.ieeenigeriastudents.org).
- EPICs Project - involving secondary school students, university undergraduates and an NGO.

### 2. Future activities

- NIGERCON 2013 planned for Nov 14 – 16, 2013
- Technical Seminar on Microcontroller programming and Essentials of Process Control at University of Port Harcourt
- Planned Robotics tutorial/competition July 2013
- Celebration of IEEE day
- TISP Workshop
- Professional Activities workshop
- Completion of EPICs Project - involving secondary school students, university undergraduates, and an NGO.
- National Youth Service Corp (NYSC) Outreach to be done in camps.
- Volunteer training for EXCO and Students Branch Chairs.
- Awards and other signs of recognition/Distinguished Lecturer programme,
- STEP program in selected schools.
- Website contest, student paper contests
- WIE Industrial visits and career talks.
- PES Distinguished Lecturers programme
- IEEE ComSoc Techpreneurs Seminar
- Renew efforts to build and enhance relationship with government and corporate entities...

### 3. Best practices

- Use of Social Network/Teleconference for Exco Meetings saves cost of travels
- Moderated Listserve account for all financially active members
- Regional local activities for increasing the scope of membership participation.
- Website content to include scholarship links and job adverts.
- Support to SBs to participate in IEEE international competitions (Extreme programming and Paper contest)

### 4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- Need to send IEEE representatives to conferences in Africa such as Africon, ICAST or Nigercon.
- Allowing freshly graduated student members to continue to pay student fees for two years until they get jobs.
- Joint research & development work, and sabbatical positions at higher institutions to help enhance professional networking opportunities.