

**IEEE Russia North West Section Report April 2013****1. Highlights from the past**

- Noteworthy events organized by your Section or its Organizational Units: A 2 day conference for IEEE members (mostly students) with English as working language (36 reports) in late January. Hosted by St. Petersburg Electrotechnical University "LETI".
- Regional and global events hosted by your Section: Several regional conferences and workshops organized by IEEE members

**2. Future activities**

- Noteworthy events organized by your Section or its Organizational Units: Student and GOLD Congress for neighboring Russia countries in July, 2013 in St. Petersburg
- Regional and global events hosted by your Section: 5th International Congress on Ultra Modern Telecommunications and Control Systems and Workshops (ICUMT) in September, 2013

**3. Best practices**

- Publishing the Proceedings of the IEEE Russia North West Section (twice a year) which is very popular among young (students and GOLD) members of the Section
- Technical English program which has been run by the Section for several years already and is still very demanded...

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

- Industry relations. Some big electrotechnical companies do not support IEEE membership of their staff.

**5. Miscellaneous**

- Awards and other signs of recognition: **One member elevated to Senior membership**
- Distinguished Lecturers programs
- National Society Agreements
- New Geographic Units (Chapters, Affinity Groups, Student Branches, SB Chapters) A new student branch established at St.Petersburg University of Informatics, Mechanics and Optics.
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