

# The 100<sup>th</sup> IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting

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## **IEEE Slovenia Section Report April 2013**

## 1. Highlights from the past

- Organization of IEEE week in December 2012 with events taking place all week at the University of Ljubljana. At the end of the last year IEEE Day was extended into a week of activities. The major goal to bring together industry and students at the university was successfully achieved.
- Successful start of WIE Slovenia.

In December Slovenia WIE was approved. The team started with activities.

Enhanced IRO activities

After the IRO meeting in Berlin activities with industry were intensified resulting in better promotion of IEEE as well as promotion of engineering field among students.

• Collaboration between the two SBs as well as with neighboring SBs.

Student branches organize events in collaboration thus bringing together students from the two major universities in Slovenia. These activities are also extended with active collaboration with neighboring sections.

#### 2. Future activities

· Visits to leading industry organized by SBs.

As part of SB activities students will visit several companies this year. Such events help students to get familiar with the industrial environment. Contacts with the industry are also used to get funding for their activities.

- Student competitions on engineering projects from different fields: smart grids, computer science, etc.

  SBs plan to organize several competitions from different fields of engineering. These competitions will be promoted as IEEE events where students will compete for different prizes provided by sponsors.
- 22<sup>th</sup> Electrotechnical and Computer Science Conference ERK 2013 where Chapters organize sections in different fields presenting current research in Slovenia
- Section Industry Relations Officer organizes invited lecture events from the industry.
- All Chapters are active and introducing new event types into their programs.

## 3. Best practices

 Use of IEEE merchandize to promote IEEE at renewing activities: IEEE t-shirts are now visible every day at the faculty.

Our aim was to enhance presence of IEEE logo at the university. T-shirts and posters were printed and handed to students. Now IEEE is visible on a daily bases. We intend to continue with this also in the future.

• Involvement of IEEE with university promotion of engineering studies: SBs involved in the events to promote electrical engineering and computer science by representing global view from IEEE perspective.

Yearly activities at the electrical engineering faculty aim at promotion of engineering carrier. Slovenia Section is actively involved in promoting global view of engineering jobs.

Section representative attended annual IEEE dinner with Croatia Section in Zagreb.

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

• Complex financial reporting for small sections

### 5. Miscellaneous

- Distinguished Lecturers programs planned in cooperation with Croatia Section
- GOLD AG planned to start this year
- We are planning activities in the field of professional activities, educational activities and industrial relations. Chapters are organizing events in their designated fields.