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Highlights from the past
- Lebanon Section established in 2006.
- From that date, Section has been very active, several conferences have been conducted in Lebanon between the different chapters and different universities.
- Presence in several IEEE activities and conferences.
- General Assembly every year has been a milestone for the section where awards by the section are offered to the Best Active chapter and the Best active student branch.
- MESBC Awarded to the AUB (American University of Beirut) student chapter in June 2013 and hosted in the university itself.
- AUB Student Branch received the IEEE Student Enterprise Award for the proposal entitled "AAHA: Arduino/Android Home Automation ".

Future activities
- Melecon 2014 to be hosted in Lebanon by the section.

Best practices
- Communications between the executive committee and the members.
- Inviting all chapter chairs to ExCom meetings to share opinions.
- Exchange with the chapters chairs on their planned activities.
- Sending emails for conferences.
- Encouraging new members by explaining the benefits of joining IEEE.
- Involving students in different activities showing the benefits of joining IEEE.
- Exchanging with universities to establish students branches.
- Assignment people on the industrial relationships.
- Involvement in and support of international conferences organized by national institutes.
- Involving the different local chapters in organizing regularly Summer Schools, Workshops, and Seminars pertaining to new trends in Computing and Engineering
- Establishing a network of experts that can serve as guest speakers in the different local events

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion
- Melecon 2014 and the involvement of IEEE in that

Miscellaneous
- Awards and other signs of recognition- TAs mentioned above
- New: Student Branch at the Lebanese University, Faculty of Engineering