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Egypt Section

Highlights from the past

- Egyptian Engineering Day EED remains the highlight of the section.
- The section continues to sponsor credible conferences (6 in 2013).
- IEEE Egypt is still the most reputable scientific organization and whenever invites a high level Government Official or a Minister, the invitation is accepted and attendance is very high.

Future activities

- The Section in cooperation with the Arab Engineering Forum will investigate the expansion of the Egyptian Engineering Day (EED) to host other countries after the success of inviting several universities from Lebanon and UAE.
- The Section will continue to collaborate actively with:
 - TIEC: Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center (funded by Ministry of Communications & Information Technology)
 - Science and Technology Fund (The funding arm of the Ministry of Scientific Research).
 - Egyptian Engineering Syndicates. (The Engineering Body for Engineer Certification).
- The section will continue its efforts to maintain current student enrolment support and encouragement for Senior and Fellow Membership upgrade

Best practices

- EED
 - The Egyptian Engineering Day is the annual nexus for engineers in Egypt. It is being organized by the IEEE Egypt GOLD for the 12th year in a row. This event is an opportunity for all engineering professionals to meet new associates in the field, share ideas, collaborate on projects and learn something new.
 - Statistics:
 - Graduation Project 250
 - Visitors 9000
 - Professors / Judges 150
 - Company Representatives 168
 - NGO Representatives 10
 - Coverage 20 TV 13 Radio Channels
 - 37 Newspaper/Magazines Government 2 Ministers
- MIE
 - "Made In Egypt" (MIE) is a competition that aims to bridge the gap between university researchers, professionals and business community towards a better impact on the industrial and economic development of Egypt and creating opportunities to enrich national industry and production by engineering students, researchers and professionals. The competition also aims at orienting Research and Development activities in Egyptian universities to tackle real needs and problems, foster business-oriented results, and develop prototypes for new products with the signature "Made In Egypt".
 - In the 1st (MIE) Competition that was held in the 2005-2006 academic year with 23 participants. This year we had over 200 applicant that got filtered to 41. The Competition became one of the main Industry University linkage' activity in Egypt.

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

The registration of IEEE as an NGO (New auditing rules .. New law is being drafted .. More restriction of foreign funding .. Relation with parent IEEE ..)

Miscellaneous

- 26 Awards in 2012-2013:
 - Best Chapter
 - Regional Exemplary Student Branch Award (several)
 - The Darrel Chong Student Activity Award (Bronze)
 - Best IEEE Day photo
 - IEEE Day "The most creative photo" award
 - Student Enterprise Award
 - MGA Student Branch Web Site Contest 1st Place
 - Region 8 Website Contest 2nd Place



- MGA GOLD Hall of Fame Award GOLD
- R8 GOLD Exceptional Volunteer Award
- Outstanding Branch Counselor and Branch Chapter Advisor Award
- "ICamp" Entrepreneurship competition, 2nd place
- R8 WIE (Women in Engineering)
- R8 Best Volunteer Award

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- Growth in student membership is healthy.
- An noticeable increase in Student Branches 27 + 2 under approval
- Young Professional (GOLD) activities is sustainable with good outreach in society.
- Cooperation with Engineering Syndicate is foreseeable.