

Jordan Section**Mohamed K Abdelazeez****Highlights from the past**

- The section did organize a successful conference 2013 IEEE Jordan Conference on Applied Electrical Engineering and Computing Technologies (AEECT). The conference was held in the University of Jordan December 3-5, 2013. 64 technical papers were presented in this conference plus six keynote speakers gave their technical talks in the different areas of communication, power systems, information technology. The papers of this truly international conference are published on IEEE Explorer: <http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/mostRecentIssue.jsp?punumber=6708579>
- The Conference was in cooperation with different Jordanian establishments and institutions and United Nation Women.
- The Section new EXCOM started its managements of the section starting January 1, 2014.
- During the period between January 26 through January 29, the Section received IEEE President Reberto Jose De Marca, and IEEE Region 8 Secretary Ali El-Mousa. In this occasion we did have our IEEE Jordan Section annual dinner with De Marca presentation about IEEE, held few meetings with governmental, Jordanian universities, and the Jordan Engineer's Association

Future activities

- We started working to hold the incoming 2015 IEEE Jordan Conference on Applied Electrical Engineering and Computing Technologies (AEECT), which is the third AEECT conference to be held in Amman Jordan jointly in cooperation with princesses Sumyia University of Technology.
- Our objective is to attract one of the major IEEE international conferences to be held in Jordan.
- A retreat will be held in few days combining both the IEEE Jordan Section EXCOM and the 2013 AEECT conference members to discuss the two above items

Best practices

- Recognize the active members and groups in our section.

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- The transfer of money from IEEE to Jordan Section, Chapters, Affinity groups and individuals should be done electronically not by sending checks.
- Best means to legalize the IEEE Jordan Section in Jordan.

Miscellaneous

- In our Annual dinner the Section gave four recognition awards. Two awards to very active IEEE Jordan Section members Mohammad Z Kheder for his outstanding support and work in the section and to Dr. Mousa Al-Akhras for his very active work in the EXCOM and the 2013 AEECT conference. Two awards to two student chapters, Jordan University and Hashemite University student chapters for their active role and dedications.
- Our Power chapter, using the distinguished Lecturers programs, invited Prof. Sivaji Chakravorti, from India to give two lectures on December 15, 2013, and Prof. Mahmoud Abou-Dakka, National Research Council of Canada to give three lectures on March 16, 17 and 18, 2014.
- The IEEE and Jordan Engineers' Associations (JEA) signed memorandum of understanding on January 29, 2014.
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- We are planning to form new chapters in the very near future.