

**Lebanon Section****Youssef Nasser****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"
- Technical sponsorship of different conferences

**Future activities**

- Melecon 2014 to be hosted in Lebanon by the section.
- R8 student paper contest
- Technical involvement and sponsorship in different conferences held in Lebanon

**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
- Coordinate activities with Chapters and Students Branches
- Organize workshops in different institutes so that all members could benefit from the proximity of 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