



# R8 History Activities – Milestones(1)

- ▶ To help R8 Sections prepare proposals for **History Milestones** I wrote a **simple guide**, now on the R8 website (Member Activities pages).
- ▶ Many good proposals for Milestones in R8 are in preparation, some seem close to approval.
- ▶ The **first in Germany**, for hydro generation scheme at **Rheinfelden**, is approved, and I expect the **Heinrich Hertz** demonstration of electromagnetic waves at **Karlsruhe** to be approved very soon

# R8 History Activities – Milestones(2)

- ▶ The **UKRI** Section is working on a number of proposals, Blumlein's invention of **stereo sound recording** methods being at an advanced stage.
- ▶ There are eleven proposed milestone subjects being considered for **Ukraine** and **IEEE Foundation funding** has been provide to support the costs.
- ▶ Several good plans for Milestones in **Hungary** are being discussed, but I do not know that the actual proposal has yet been started for any of these.

# The IEEE History Center

- ▶ The **IEEE History Center** has been on **Rutgers University** campus for many years: that contract has now ended and a decision made to move the Center to **Stevens Institute of Technology**.
- ▶ I hope all the Center staff will remain after this move.
- ▶ Discussions continue about options for cooperation between **IEEE and IET in History and Archives** areas, but since IET is preoccupied in a major refurbishment of its London premises, little concrete progress has occurred.

# History Activities UK

- ▶ In the UK in particular, there are many events taking place to remember and study the events of World War One (1914-1918 from the UK perspective) and to study the lead up to the war and its many consequences.
- ▶ Most such studies and events are of no relevance to IEEE, but many relate to technology developments which arose from military needs and subsequently had many other consequences, and all that is of course in IEEE's domain.
- ▶ I presented a paper on Army and Air Force wavemeters used in that war, at a conference in Oxford in January

# R8 Section Histories

- ▶ **R8 Section Histories:**
- ▶ Some R8 Sections have provided a very good 'history' of their Section, either on their own website, or else on the IEEE Global History Network (GHN) website.
- ▶ However, for many Sections, what is provided is very limited and disappointing. **All R8 Sections are requested to review their 'history'**, to look again at what they have on the websites, and additionally to ensure that there is an active member of their Section Committee who takes responsibility for this history.