Leverage of IEEE members in European policy working groups

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Background

- In 2012 and 2013, two surveys made among IEEE members demonstrated an overwhelming support to the engagement of IEEE in European public policy.

- In 2013, the IEEE Board of Directors identified leveraging IEEE's technology-related insight to provide governments, NGOs and other organizations with innovative, practical recommendations to address public policy issues as a top priority.

- In 2013, adoption of a New Initiative proposal “Public Policy Engagement in Europe”
Working Groups at the core

Why:
- To represent IEEE views and not individual ones.
- To provide sound and independent technical expertise to policy makers
- To promote and defend IEEE’s and its members’ interests

Who:
- 5 to 12 European IEEE Members with high level of technical expertise
  - Representation of different technology aspects
  - Occupation, Gender and National neutral

What:
- Production of position papers, white papers, etc
  - Representing technologists views to policy makers
Selection process

- A confirmation of interest was requested to surveyed IEEE members.
- An email is about to be sent to every IEEE members to apply by 30 April 2014.
- From the received CVs a short list will be established and interviews will be undertaken.
- **Criteria of selection:** Technical knowledge, Sector knowledge, English Language, Communication skills, Availability, Ability for group work, Public Speaking skills, Public affairs experience, EU Institutions knowledge.
- Constitution in June.
Working Process

- Each member will receive a training on EU institutions/policy at the start of the term
- Physical meeting at least once a year with most of the work done electronically.
- Working with a pool of advisory experts
- Coordination with other sectoral groups
- Communication with sections and societies
- Supported by IEEE secretariat
Sectors

Now

ENERGY

ICT

STANDARDS

Soon

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATION

RESEARCH & INNOVATION
What is asked from you

- To promote this initiative
- To encourage applications to Karine Iffour at k.iffour@ieee.org by 30 APRIL 2014
- To nominate a contact person in your section for European public policy matters.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH & QUESTIONS