

## Germany Section

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### Highlights from the past

- The German Life Member Affinity Group has started activities. The very first LM Meeting was successfully organized by Hans Hartnagel 18th and 19th August in Darmstadt at the Technical University.
- The Germany Section successfully initiated and supported individual IEEE memberships funded by the employing company.
- The first IEEE milestone for Germany was approved.

### Future activities

- The 2014 XXI International Conference on Electrical Machines (ICEM) will be held in Berlin, DE on 02-Sep-2014 to 05-Sep-2014.
- The "25th EUROPEAN SYMPOSIUM ON RELIABILITY OF ELECTRON DEVICES, FAILURE PHYSICS AND ANALYSIS" will be held as a 3-day event between September 30 and October 2, 2014 at the Technische Universität Berlin.
- The International Measurement Confederation IMEKO TC 19 Symposium on Environmental Instrumentation and Measurement will be held in Chemnitz in September 23-24, 2014.
- The 2014 4th International Electric Drives Production Conference (EDPC) will be held in Nuremberg, DE on 30-Sep-2014 to 01-Oct-2014.
- The IEEE Consumer Electronics Society, Germany Section CE Chapter, will held the 2014 IEEE Fourth International Conference on Consumer Electronics in Berlin, DE on 07-Sep-2014 to 10-Sep-2014.
- The Rheinfelden Power Plant is awarded the first IEEE milestone in Germany. The commemoration event will be hosted at the site of the power plant on September 25th, 2014 at 10a.m.. Guests will include IEEE President Elect Howard E. Michel, Prof. Istvan Ehrlich and Prod. Gerhard Neidhofer from the Germany Section and the German and Swiss city majors of Rheinfelden.

### Best practices

- Initiation and support of company funded IEEE membership at BECKHOFF AUTOMATION GmbH. Beckhoff implements open automation systems based on PC Control technology. The company with a turnover of 450 M has employed over 750 engineers.

### Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- The renewal of the National Society Agreement with VDE 2014-2017 is delayed by IEEE headquarter.