

The 103rd IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting

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Israel Section

Highlights from the past

- Series of "Technical Fridays" with presentations on Technological developments.
- Two Milestones: Lempel-Ziv Algorithm (2004); WEIZAC Computer (2009)
- IEEE Israel Biennial Section Convention, Eilat, November 2012
- ComCas Conference in Tel-Aviv, October 2013.
- HORIZON 2020 Conference, January 2014.

Future activities

- 28th IEEE Israel Section Convention, Eilat, 3-5 Dec. 2014
- ComCas Conference, October 2014
- "Technical Fridays" September & November 2014
- HISTELCON 2015 ICOHTEC-IEEE Conf. on History of Hi-Tech, Tel-Aviv, Aug. 15

Best practices

- IEEE Israel Section was founded in 1954 and was the first Section in Region 8.
- The Section activities include a biennial Convention, Conferences and meetings
- IEEE Israel Section is recognized as the leading Electronics group in Israel.
- Israel Section representatives initiated both MELECOPN and HISTELCON Conf.
- Since its founding, IEEE Israel Section partners and cooperates with Israel National Associations AEAI and SEEEI and has excellent contacts with Israel High-Tech Industry.
- HISTELCON 2015 will be held in August 2015 in cooperation with ICOHTEC and IEEE History Center. It was proposed to hold HISTELCON 2017 in Japan.

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- It seems difficult to find IEEE members willing to Chair Chapters (e.g. LMAG)
- It is very important to save the knowledge gathered by long-standing members during their career in Technology.

Miscellaneous

- IEEE Israel Life Members Affinity Group was recognized five of the last six years as Outstanding Life Members Affinity Group.
- An agreement between IEEE and SEEEI has been signed recently.