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Iran Section

Highlights from the past

- Won the 2012 Outstanding Section Award of Region 8.
- Won the highest percentage of membership growth award for two successive years
- Organized annual National Student Counselors Assembly on October of each year in which the student branch representatives and counselors attend.
- Organized general annual IEEE Iran Section Congress, along with Iranian Conference on Electrical Engineering May of each year. The event is open to all IEEE and non-IEEE members. The Iran Section awards are bestowed to the winners at this event.
- Celebrated the 40th anniversary of IEEE in Iran.
- Organized 7 SAC workshops for national student branch chairs hosted by branches in the cities of Isfahan, Tehran, Najafabad, Mashhad and Yazd.

Future activities

- Invite distinguished national/international scholars to raise awareness on the latest cutting edge technological and scientific developments and present webinars.
- Promote international collaboration of the IEEE Iran Section committees with their counterparts in Region 8 and other regions.
- Support Chapters to expand their professional activities in technical sponsorship of the conferences and to organize workshops and seminars.
- Establish new Chapters by the end of 2014.
- Encourage to establish student chapters
- Promote Iranian industry involvements in the IEEE activities.
- Provide wider national benefits for IEEE membership
- Provide online course and webinars for professional development of the students and prepare them for work in the industry.
- Hold national student paper competition (SPC)

Best practices

- Facilitating renewal and registering IEEE membership. The IEEE Iran Section is promoting Iranian student membership by encouraging universities and companies to subsidize their membership fees
- Hosting Prof. Martin Bastiaans director of Region 8 along with 2014 IEEE Iran Section Congress in May.
- Technically sponsoring over 26 conferences carrying the IEEE Iran Section logo and/or index their articles in the IEEEXplore in 2014. The conferences which are technically sponsored by IEEE Iran Section should designate a desk in their conference for IEEE to present its activities. They should also give 20
- Holding monthly meeting with executive committee of the IEEE Iran Section. In these meeting, more than 90
- Establishing Professional activities committee. This committee held 4 workshops in the year 2013.
- Encouraging members to prompt their membership status. For now Iran has 91 senior members and 3 fellows.
- Providing national benefits for IEEE Iran Section members, such as discount for hotel reservations, or purchase of book from national publishers.

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- To promote national benefits of IEEE membership
- To contribute in preparation of a road map for education and research in areas within the scope of IEEE
- Resolving financial problems of IEEE Iran Section to receive the rebates.

Miscellaneous

- Recognized national successful and motivated researchers and instructors by designating various awards, namely, Research Award, Educational and Teaching Award, Young Investigator Award (YIA), Best PhD Thesis Award, Best M.Sc, Thesis Award, Best B.Sc. Thesis Award, and WIE Award. The prizes are awarded in the annual Iran Section meeting
- Encouraged student branch activities by designating the Best Student Branch award and Best Student Branch Counselor Award. The prizes are awarded in the annual Iran Section Congress.
- Promoted new student branches. Up to now, there are 32 active student branches nationwide. Established four new Chapters, namely Control Systems, Communications, Electromagnetic, and Power.
- Designated three new national awards in the memory of distinguished Iranian scientists and professors, namely: Prof. Hakkak Award, Prof. Jabbedar Award, and Prof. Lucas Award.