

## Croatia Section

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### Highlights from the past

- IEEE Croatia Section received the "2014 IEEE MGA Outstanding Medium Section Award";
- IEEE Croatia Section received the "Region 8 Outstanding Large Section Award" for the year 2013;
- IEEE Croatia Section Young Professionals Affinity Group received the "IEEE Young Professionals Hall of Fame Award" for the year 2013;
- IEEE Croatia Section Life Members Affinity Group included on the 2014 list of Outstanding Life Members Affinity Groups;
- The IEEE Microwave Theory and Techniques Society (MTT-S) Croatia Chapter received the "Outstanding Chapter Award" for the year 2014;
- Tomislav Pokrajcic received the "Region 8 GOLD Subcommittee Exceptional Volunteer Award";
- IEEE Croatia Section received the IEEE Foundation Grant for the project "IEEEmadC 2014 - Global" (9.775,00 USD);
- Technically cosponsored RFID 2014, May 6-7, 2014, in Zagreb, Croatia;
- Technically cosponsored IWSSIP 2014, 21st International Conference on Systems, Signals and Image Processing, May 12-15, 2014, in Dubrovnik, Croatia;
- Organized and technically cosponsored IEEE R8 ENERGYCON 2014, May 13-16, 2014, in Dubrovnik, Croatia;
- Technically cosponsored MIPRO 2014, May 26-30, 2014, in Opatija, Croatia.

### Future activities

- Technical cosponsor of ELMAR 2014 - The 56th International Symposium ELMAR-2014, September 10-12, 2014, in Zadar, Croatia;
- Technical cosponsor of CCVW 2014 - The Third Croatian Computer Vision Workshop, September 16, 2014, in Zagreb, Croatia;
- Technical cosponsor of SoftCOM 2014 - The 22nd International Conference on Software, Telecommunications and Computer Networks, September 17-19, 2014, in Split, Croatia;
- Technical cosponsor of SIP 2014 - The 32nd International Conference Science in Practice 2014, October 15-17, 2014, in Osijek, Croatia;
- Technical cosponsor of IWCMC 2015 - The 11th International Wireless Communications & Mobile Computing Conference, August 24-27, 2015, in Dubrovnik, Croatia;
- Issue a Call for Nominations for the 2014 IEEE Croatia Section Annual Awards;
- Organize the Ninth IEEE Croatia Section Annual Award Banquet;
- Publish the next issue of the Croatia Section e-Newsletter.

### Best practices

- Section-level professional meetings/lecture series for all members and guests;
- A variety of activities in chapters, affinity groups, and student branches;
- Regular monthly ExCom meetings;
- Annual IEEE Croatia Section Award Banquets;
- Active and up-to-date web-site;
- The Croatia Section e-Newsletter.

### Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- Benefits of IEEE membership for members from industry;
- Legal status of Croatia Section unclear, process non-transparent, communication with the IEEE Legal and Compliance Department fails the Turing test.

### Miscellaneous

- 2014 Croatia Section elections - new ExCom members elected for the period 2015-2016.