

Women in Engineering Coordinator

Highlights from the past

- 9 August 2014: WIE Workshop: at SYP Congress Krakow Poland
- WIE lunch at Sections Congress celebrating 20 years of WIE

Future activities

- Encourage new R8 WIE AG formation (revival of dormant)
 - Show benefits of forming WIE AGs to IEEE members and Section Chairs
 - Enhancing networking among women engineers
 - Action Items
 - Make clear Sections that do not have Regular WIE AGs
 - Find the key person for new WIE AGs
 - Define project measureable deliverables (of newly created WIE AGs)
 - Regional WIE Awards (Highlight outstanding WIE AGs and Volunteers)
 - Group Awards
 - Regional WIE Affinity Group of the Year Award
 - Regional WIE Student Branch Affinity Group of the Year Award
 - Individual Awards
 - o Regional WIE GOLD/Young Professional Volunteer Award
 - Regional WIE Student Volunteer Award
 - Section WIE Awards
 - Action Items
 - (petition R8 committee) to approve regional awards
 - Request sections to sponsor local awards
- WIE Membership development
 - WIE AG chairs should undertake membership development training
 - Approach to Sections to assign WIE representatives, even before AG formation if applicable,
 - > Action Items
 - Work with membership development representatives within sections
 - Provide Concrete value for WIE members to encourage membership growth and engagement
 - SUPPORT of events (R8 Committee should consider setting a budget for WIE Committee to be able to run and support local AGs to run events)
 - SUPPORT of training for WIE Volunteers (R8 should consider including and support WIE students to attend events like SYP)

Miscellaneous

- As of June 2014 IEEE WIE membership in Region 8 Europe, Africa and Middle East was at 2094 members (2008 June 14 / +4.3%).
- Section WIE Affinity Groups (AGs) in the region total 27, while Student Branch AGs total 61, 88 altogether.
- New Affinity Groups
- Universidade do Porto Women in Engineering Student Affinity Group
- Universidade do Minho Women in Engineering Student Affinity Group.
- IEEE Sweden Section Women in Engineering Affinity Group
- University of Coimbra Women in Engineering Student Affinity Group
- R8 WIE is on Facebook! http://www.facebook.com/IEEER8WIE
- R8 WIE site http://www.ieeer8.org/category/member-activities/women-in-engineering/

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