

IEEE Region 8 Secretary Report

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R8 102nd Meeting in Budapest

- Very well attended. (~131 people)
- General feedback was very positive from the numerous feedback messages received.
- Included lively discussions on a number of topics including section vitality, IEEE visibility, and Entrepreneur Networks.
- We had a very interesting and well attended workshop about increasing the IEEE footprint. The results can be found on the Budapest web site on the R8 server.
- Please check the unapproved minutes of the meeting online or in the printed agenda book.
- The social program was greatly appreciated. Deep appreciation goes to the Hungary section for their dedication and hard work.









Issues of Concern

- Section web page regular updates. Still an issue despite earlier mention during the last meeting.
- Timely reporting of new officers using Vtools. Also, still an issue.
- Timely submission of section reports for the meetings
- Delayed attention to the requirements of Visa by many attendees.
- Support for section officers and AGs

R8 Meeting in Amsterdam

- 103rd meeting
- Number of registered attendees 122
- Busy and tight schedule. Important to be right on time
- New section officers, please do not hesitate in asking questions, making contacts and taking advantage of the presence of IEEE staff.

Extra Activities 1

- Facilitated the visit by the IEEE President to many sections within the region. The visits were successful.
- Setup an easy method via Vtools for sections to report to the region newly elected Section chairs. Successfully tested in Budapest. .

Extra Activities 2

- I put forward to the IEEE IT department a suggestion to expand the utilization of the relationship with Google so that we can utilize the different apps to help in management of sections and regions. I am happy to report that my suggestion was approved and a pilot project is now underway.
- Example:
 - IEEE position related email addresses:
 - R8_Director@ieee.org
 - R8_Secretary@ieee.org
 - R8_VC_TA@ieee.org
 - R8_Director_Elect@ieee.org

Testimony

Dear Ali,

Thank you for your help with the Google for OUs project. Your request and the detailed requirements that you provided were used as the foundation of the Google for OUs project.

I am also very pleased that you have agreed to be part of the pilot program and will use Region 8 as the test case.

I look forward to your contributions.
with warm regards,

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Proposed Draft Motions for feedback

- Motions try to introduce institutional procedures and a system of checks and balances to the region operation practices.
- The areas directly affected are:
 - 1) **The methodology of selecting the appointed members of the Region 8 Committee.**
 - 2) **The procedures that govern the work of the Nominations & Appointments Subcommittee.**
 - 3) **Financial transparency and accountability of members of the Region 8 Operations Committee.**

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Thank You

- George, R8 Electronic Communication coordinator
- OpCom colleagues
- All R8 volunteers

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Questions/ Comments?