Cooperation with National Societies

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Why does IEEE Cooperate with National Societies?

- The principal reason is to assist the engineers & scientists of a country in achieving optimum working, professional and personal position and image in the community.
The Value-Added to IEEE by NSAs is:

- Increased publicity, visibility, image & interest by the engineering & scientific community, and the public, of the country.
- Access to Industry & Industry management.
- Additional volunteer source.
- Additional energy & membership for the Section and IEEE (depending on the approach & action of the Section & Section Chair).
Creating Cooperative Activities

The signing of the agreement is just the first and smallest step in the relationship.

The creation of joint cooperative projects & programs is vital to a successful agreement. For example:

- Joint Awards
- Technical and/or social type meetings
- Seminars, Tutorials, Short Courses
- Joint meetings on visits by Distinguished Lecturers
- Conferences & exhibitions
The IEEE Section is the key to the success of this IEEE-NS cooperation.
Joint Awards, National Societies (JANS)

- Three projects now active:
  - Peru (AEP)
  - Singapore (IES)
  - Ecuador (CIEEPI)

- All have created energy & enthusiasm for the IEEE Section and the National Society (NS) – as well as providing publicity/visibility for engineers of the country, the NS, the IEEE, and the public.
Joint Awards (cont.)

- Administered & monitored by the IEEE Awards Board.
- High level award, similar to an IEEE Technical Field Award.
- Project is run by the country’s National Society and its local IEEE volunteers.
- Project funded from within country; IEEE Foundation can assist with first funding.
Information Available on the Web

› Bookmark updated list of current National & Sister Society Agreements
  – www.ieee.org/NSA

› Sample NSA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

› Ideas for Cooperation.

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