



# Introduction

# IEEE SIGHT

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Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technology

# Why I'm here...



# What is SIGHT?

- ▶ Way for IEEE members worldwide to organize locally to have positive social impact

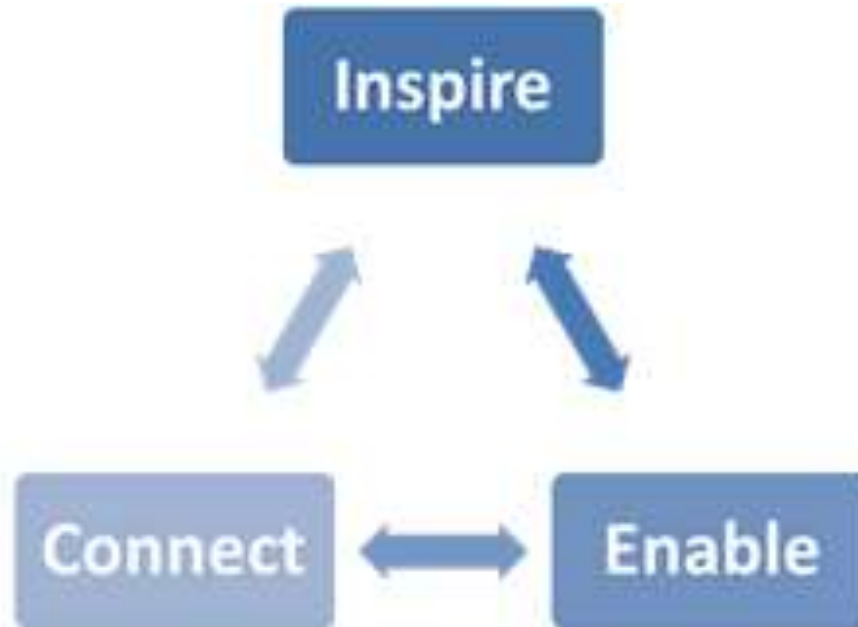


# SIGHT timeline

- ▶ Kick off end of 2011
- ▶ Gained real momentum in 2013



# SIGHT's aims



Address social challenges within local communities!

# How are SIGHTs formed?

- ▶ Started by 6 IEEE members at Section or Student Branch level
- ▶ Then is usually expanded out to local NGOs, community organizations, other engineers, other disciplines



# What do SIGHTs do?

- ▶ Flexibility to create projects that best fit circumstances
- ▶ EPICS, TISP, CSI all possible







# Solar Lamp Competition in India

**Display & Prize Distribution Ceremony**  
**SOLAR LAMP DESIGN CONTEST**  
*In the presence of Dr.M.S.Swaminathan*

**IEEE SIGHT**  
 Special Interest Group on Sustainable Technology  
 MADRAS SECTION

**SolarLion**  
 Initiative

**IEEE PES**  
 Power & Energy Society  
 India Council

**1st Prize**  
**Naveed**  
 B.S.Abdur Rahaman University

**2nd Prize**  
**Jaydev Krishnan M M**  
 Aalim Muhammed Salegh College of Engineering

**3rd Prize**  
**John Phanuel P**  
**Chandrasekar G**  
**Arun Noel Victor**  
 Jeppiaar Engineering College

**4th Prize**  
**Sree Rakshaa S P**  
**Fathima Hathoon Nargis A**  
 Jeppiaar Engineering college

**5th Prize**  
**Govind Arjun**  
 Sri Venkateshwara College of Engineering

**IEEE**

**At Dr.M.S.Swaminathan Research Foundation on 25th April 2013**

# Rickshaw solution in Bangladesh





# Tech Workshop for Disaster Survivor Children



# Humanitarian Robotics Challenge



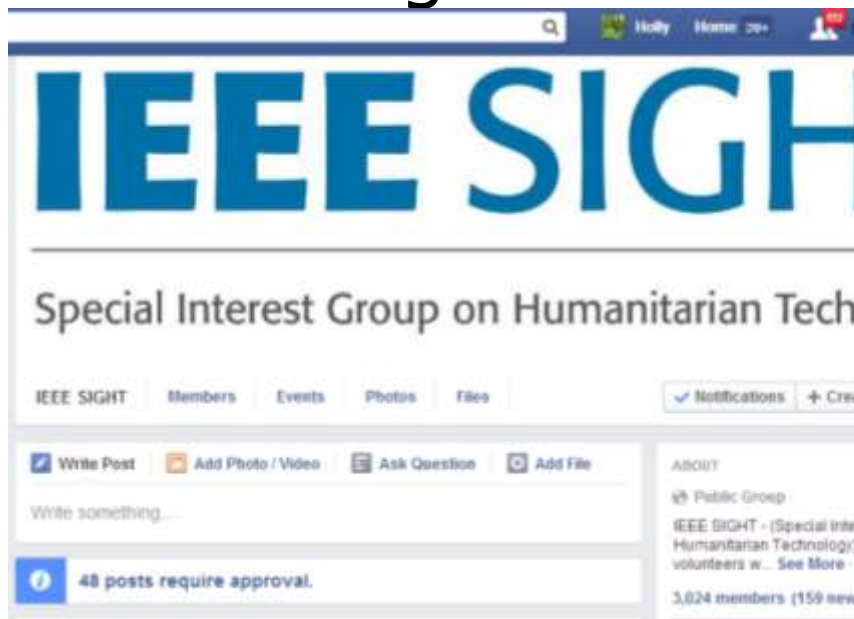
# Key elements

- ▶ Efforts should focus on social need – particularly for Base of the Pyramid (BoP)
- ▶ Should have active engagement with the community



# How we stay in touch

- Monthly newsletter
- Facebook group
- New blog



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**Note from the Chair**  
Next month I'm looking forward to being at Sections Congress and

### IEEE Green Energy Showcase 2014



SIGHT Karachi Section in Pakistan helped the IEEE NUCES Student Branch organize an event in May to showcase the student group's innovative ideas for creating clean energy.

# What else we offer

- ▶ Project grant program
- ▶ Conference participation support program



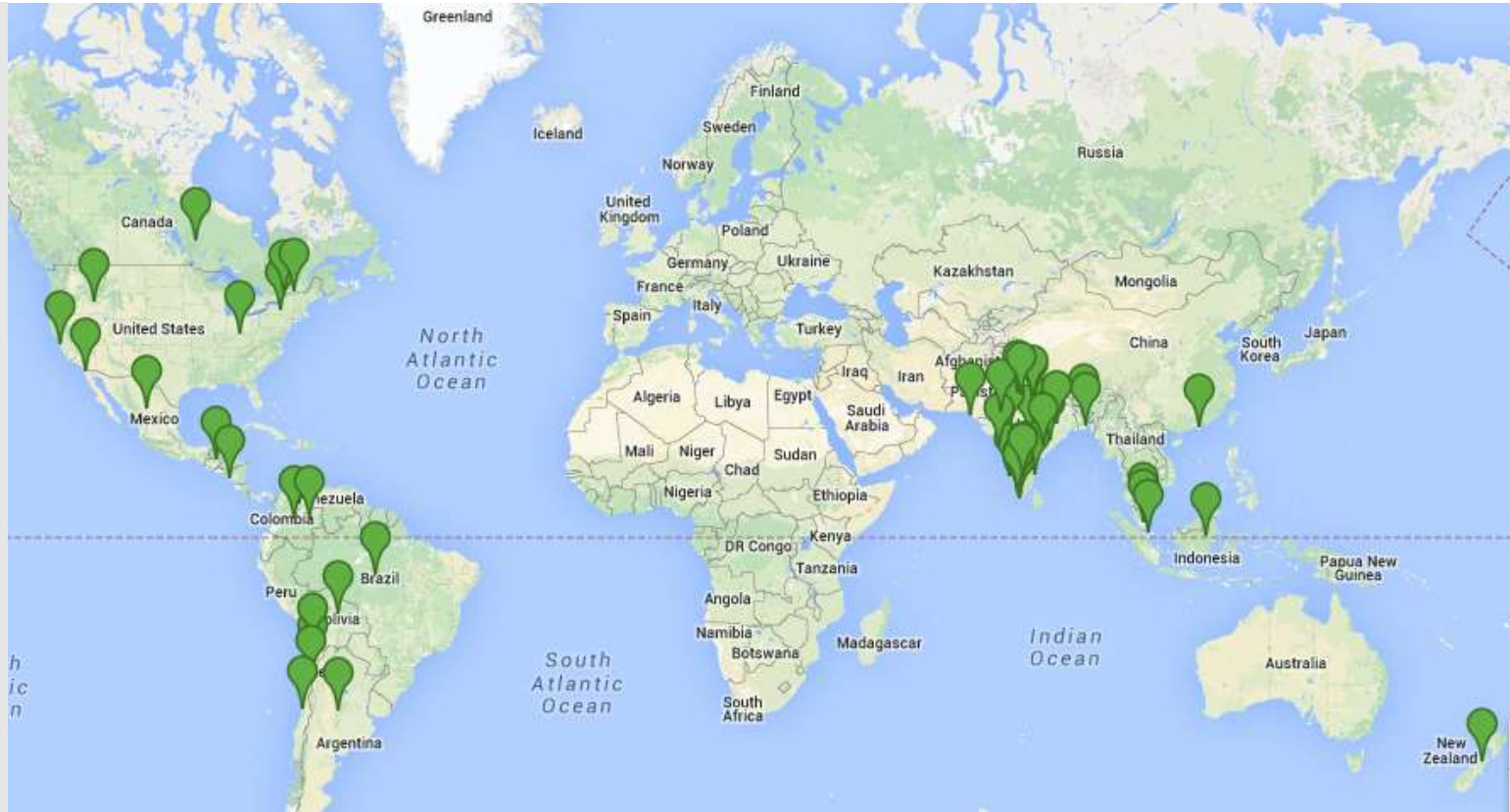




# SIGHT group distribution

Currently: 52 SIGHT groups around the world

Country	SIGHTs
Argentina	1
Bangladesh	2
Bolivia	1
Brazil	1
Canada	3
Chile	4
China	1
Colombia	2
Guatemala	1
India	23
Indonesia	1
Malaysia	2
Mexico	1
New Zealand	1
Nicaragua	1
Pakistan	1
Singapore	1
USA	5



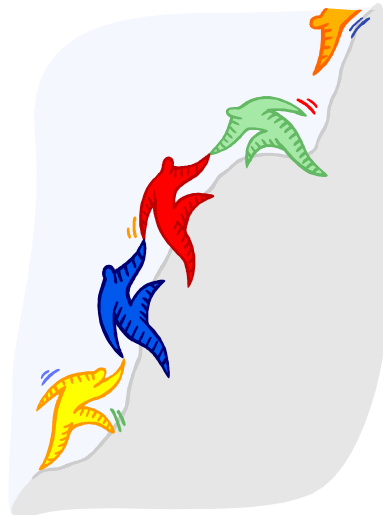
# How we need your help...

- ▶ No SIGHT groups yet in Region 8!



# Whom to target

- ▶ Folks eager to make a difference in the world
- ▶ Great way to engage students and young professionals



# Next few days

- ▶ Booth 301
- ▶ Breakout session Sunday 8:00am – 9:15am
- ▶ Learning lab Sunday 9:35am – 9:55am

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# Our offer to you

- ▶ Come talk with us! We will help you launch a SIGHT group!
- ▶ Come by for some materials to help kick start SIGHT at your Section



