

Jordan Section

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Getting Closer to Industry

We are at the IEEE Jordan section, since the establishment of the section, trying to build solid relation with the available industry in Jordan. We are trying to benefit from the experience of other countries in this regard. At the moment the Section does not have an IRO and I recently initiated the second trial to attract a volunteer person to serve as the Section IRO. However through our four technical chapters we are in constant touch with the different local industrial establishments in the area of electric power companies, computer and information technology companies and others. People from industry are participating in the Section activities, lecturers or attending our activities. At the moment we are working with our local entity Jordan Engineers' Association and the different power, computer and communication companies to hold METRO workshop in which the people from industry will be lecturing or/and managing and attending this METRO workshop.

Students and Young Professionals

- To promote awareness of the YP AG the YP created a social networking page for Jordan YPs (<https://www.facebook.com/IEEEJordanYP>) and decided to collaborate closely with the student branches to get volunteers to stay after graduation by motivating them with their programs.
- The Section supported three students, YP AG chair and our student activities coordinator to attend the Krakow congress 2014.
- Two events were held:
 - Jordan YPs Networking: The main aim of this Networking Events is to bring Jordan YPs together to socialize and to discuss issues related to their needs in future events. Also we aimed to bring researchers and developers from the Mediterranean countries and Europe together in order to create new partnership for subsequent proposals of the Horizon 2020 ICT-related calls. The event activities include a number of keynote lectures by experts from Europe and the region
 - Entrepreneurship and intellectual property (IP): This event was a professional event focused on entrepreneurship and intellectual property (IP). The event brings Jordan YPs together with two keynote speakers from the industry to help them understand how to identify a unique idea and how to protect it. Intellectual property is reviewed and the steps needed to patent inventions are thoroughly described.

Section Vitality

The work done by both YP and WIE AGs and the other four technical chapters are helping our section sustainability. In fact the total number of the IEEE Jordan section exceeds 1000 member by the end of 2014.

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

The incoming METRO workshop which will be launched hopefully in few months. The Section is working toward holding its 3rd conference (AEECT 2015). The Section targeted attracting the IEEE GLOBECOM 2018 Communication conference.