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# **Benelux Section**

## Getting Closer to Industry

- with Alstom R&D and University Relations Director and VP industrial relations within IEEE French section. Intention: exchange ideas about possible collaborations.
- Host meeting at ASML for government-industry-academia discussion on labor market for highly educated technical specialists in The Netherlands and Benelux. Date not fixed yet.
- Conducted survey with IES to open up for industry

#### **Students and Young Professionals**

- Activities of several student branches financially supported.
- Two theses awarded second and third prices in student paper contest.
- Power engineering symposium organized with Student Branch Leuven
- Plan for a joint Young Professional and Student Branches Congress in Benelux (Eindhoven).

### Section Vitality

- KIVI (Royal Institute of Engineers, Netherlands) has agreed to sign MoU with Section. Will be discussed with HQ.
- Section support for potential fellows is under investigation.
- Dormant chapters have been revived. Chapter chairs are invited for presentations at ExCom meetings.

#### Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- Proposal for a milestone on WiFi is under construction.
- MoU with KIVI under construction