



IEEE Ad Hoc Committee on Engagement in Europe

- ▶ President Howard Michel appointed the IEEE Ad Hoc Committee on Engagement in Europe
- ▶ Committee will work to expand IEEE's engagement with the European engineering community
- ▶ Key focus areas:
 - Consider whether IEEE should establish a significant presence in Europe
 - Lead and manage the IEEE European Public Policy Initiative

Committee members

- ▶ Marko Delimar (Chair)
- ▶ Martin Bastiaans
- ▶ Gordon Day
- ▶ Christopher James
- ▶ David Law
- ▶ Axel Richter
- ▶ Marina Ruggieri
- ▶ Gianluca Setti
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- ▶ Dirk Van Hertem
- ▶ Staff
 - Tara Wisniewski
 - Konstantinos Karachalios
 - Karine Iffour
 - Cheryl Sinauskas

Establishing a significant presence in Europe

- ▶ Committee will complete an analysis and:
 - Conclude whether or not IEEE should establish a formal office and/or a different form of a significant presence
 - If “YES”, recommend a plan to the BoD
- ▶ Plan will include:
 - Objective: What is the purpose of the office?
 - Priorities
 - Location (s)
 - Financial implications
 - Measures of success and metrics tied to those measures
 - Exit strategy

Points of discussion

- ▶ If we open an office, what is it that we are trying to accomplish?
 - Greater support / products for practicing engineers?
 - Greater industry engagement?
 - Greater adoption of IEEE Standards?
 - Greater access to IEEE information and education resources?
 - Grow membership?
 - Build technical communities?
 - Establish a Public Policy program?
- ▶ The purpose of the office will drive other decisions

Points of discussion (cont'd)

- ▶ Thoughts on location(s)
 - Current locations in the mix: Brussels, Geneva, London, Munich, Vienna, Zurich
 - One or two offices? (i.e., the Brussels factor)
- ▶ Additional factors to consider
 - Discussions with local IEEE volunteer infrastructure
 - Ongoing work of:
 - IEEE Ad Hoc Committee on Global Strategy
 - IEEE Ad Hoc Committee on Global Public Policy
 - IEEE Ad Hoc Committee on IEEE in 2030

2014 Signature event

▶ IEEE Summit on Internet Governance

– Held 4 December 2014 in Brussels

– Focused on:

- Internet Governance
- Net Neutrality
- Privacy v. Security

– Plenary speaker: Dr. Vinton Cerf

– 175 attendees from the European public policy community

▶ 2015 Summit – Nov./Dec. – Topic TBD



Working Groups

- ▶ Three working groups established in 2014:
Energy, ICT and Standards
 - 200 applicants for 24 spots
- ▶ 11 technical statements near completion
- ▶ Strong engagement with policymakers (Senior EC officials and MEPS as guests)



Technical statements - Energy

Energy working groups have produced seven technical statements

- AC/DC future (WG energy)
- Smart Cities (WG energy)
- Vision on a sustainable power and energy systems (WG energy)
- Heating & Cooling
- Renewables
- DC@Home

Technical statements - ICT

Energy working groups have produced seven technical statements

- Action plan for electronics industry
- Cyber security
- Net neutrality
- Input to Network and Information Security Directive
- Views on Pascal Lamy's report on of the High Level Group On The Future Use Of The Uhf Band (470-790 Mhz)

Process for Production of Technical Statements in 2015

- A WG produces a draft document
- The document is circulated among relevant IEEE communities (OUs, Societies, Councils, Communities, etc.) including European sections for comments
- Comments are reviewed and incorporated in consequent versions of the document; feedback is provided to originators
- A new draft is produced and sent to the ad hoc committee on European engagement for approval (this committee may seek additional consultations before approving the statements)

Next Steps

- 2015 Ad Hoc Committee on European Engagement will:
 - Complete assessment of establishing a significant presence in Europe
 - Produce a recommendation and business plan as appropriate
 - Continue focus on European public policy program
 - Working groups
 - Organise 2015 Signature event
 - Participate in main European forums on select topics



