

Bahrain Section

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Getting Closer to Industry

- The first Social Gathering was arranged on 28/1/2015 with support from industry:
 - VIVA Bahrain
 - MEEB Consulting Company
 it was very helpful for all attendees.
- Bahrain IEEE Section has participated in AMA International University Career Fair on 28th July 2015, which was sponsored by HE The Minister of Labor. He visited Bahrain IEEE Section Booth and awarded Bahrain IEEE Section for our contribution
- I invited The Operation Director of Horizon Communication Services to:
 - Support section activities
 - Students & G Students training
 - Recruiting of IEEE members
- IRA will contact:
 - Aluminum Bahrain Company (ALBA) together with one of its section's members to agree about ways of collaboration between the two parties
 - Bahrain Petroleum (BAPCO) & (BanaGas) Companies to agree about ways of collaboration between the two parties
 - Bahrain Telecom Company (BATELCO) for the same reasons through many IEEE members of the company employees

Students and Young Professionals

- Activation of SB in University of Bahrain, March 2015
- Planning to establish New Student Branches at:
 - AMA International University
 - Bah PolyTechnic University
 - Ahliya University
 - Gulf University
 - Bahrain Training Institute
 - Shaikh Khalifa Institute of Technology
- Encouraging UOB SB to do its own activities and directly report that
- Participation in GCC 8th conference at Oman (1-4) April 2015 with 3 student members
- The 1st Pre-University education program is planned to start prior to Academic Year 2016/ 2017 and it will be followed by the 2nd program in same mid-academic year
- Participation in Bahrain Polytechnic University student projects exhibition 6th January 2016
- UOB-SB Participation in UOB student projects exhibition - 21st January 2016
- Organizing first GCC Students and Young Professional SYP Congress at Bahrain, November 2016
- Student-to Students presentation by UOB SB at Bahrain Polytechnic University - March 2016
- Participation in GCC-IEEE Students Congress November 2016

Section Vitality

- The first Social Gathering was held on 28/1/2015, it was very helpful for all attendees.
- Section has developed new website: www.ieee-bh.org and social media accounts
- Participation in GCC 8th conference at Oman (1-4) April 2015
- In 10/4/2015, Section Chair had signed (MOU) for technical sponsorship the Fifth International Conference on e-Learning #36521. It took place on 18-20 Oct 2015 <http://econf.uob.edu.bh/conf5/Default.htm>
- Section Celebrated IEEE Day, with the theme of: "Leveraging Technology for a Better Tomorrow" It was held at Bahrain Society of Engineers, on 6/10/2015
- Section participated in the 3rd Research colloquium, which held on 31/10/2015 at AMA University, Chair presented: "An Overview about IEEE Activities"
- Bahrain IEEE section held a Technical Joint Seminar with AMA International University under the theme: "Technology and communication in business environment" On 3/11/2015 at AMA International University. It included different topics:
 - Smart phone security
 - Nano-Technology
 - Wind Energy
 - Impact of radiated fields on human life
 - Introduction about IEEE MDO & SB
- In 23/11/2015, Section Chair had signed (MOU) for technical sponsorship the 1st International Conference on Info Systems and Applications <http://icisa.uob.edu.bh> (ICISA) #37927, It is scheduled to begin on 17th Feb 2016

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- In May 2015, we started section registration project by collecting the necessary documents to register IEEE Bahrain section as a branch of IEEE international, then applied to Bahrain government to obtain its final approval. In 16/5/2015 we got support from IEEE legal department:
 - David Meza, International Paralegal, IEEE Legal and Compliance Department
 - Jack S. Bailey, Employment Attorney in IEEE's Legal and Compliance Department
- In addition to forming new and activating existing groups:
 - Women in Engineering (WIE).
 - SB UOB
- New Chapters and Affinity Groups will start in 2016
 - IT/ Computer Society
 - Communications Society
 - Power/ Energy systems Chapter
 - YP Affinity Group
 - Awards Committee
 - Operations Committee
- In 2015, Bahrain section secured an amazing 300% growth so far. We got an email of congratulations from MRRC. That had been recognized in R8 Ljubljana meeting, October 2015 Maximum Grade Elevations also secured & more are expected in 2016
- Co-organizing 9th IEEE GCC Conference and Exhibition which will be held in Bahrain (6-9) November, 2016 under the patronage of HH Prince Khalifa Bin Salman Al Khalifa, Prime Minister, Bahrain <http://sites.ieee.org/gcc-2016>
- Organizing first GCC Students and Young Professional Congress at Bahrain, November 2016