

## France Section

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### Getting Closer to Industry

- This year the Section organized the second edition of Metro Area Workshop specifically designed for industry. This edition, like the first one was successful according to the feedback we received.
- The ISEP Student Branch, with the support of IEEE CASS, ISEP and France Section organized a very successful event called "pitch your startup". 7 startups registered as well as 8 students projects of creating startups. 1 startup and 3 student projects were selected by the jury and received their awards during the cocktail.

### Students and Young Professionals

- Financial and organizational support for technical meetings (Distinguished Lectures, workshops etc.) and local contests ( a bridge between students and YPs is encouraged by financial sponsorship of joint events).
- Constant motivation, encouraging different programs and supporting individual student branch proposals for promoting novel ideas (eg, start-up contests, start-ups creation and support etc)
- Creation of new student branches, awarding one student branch, organization of a pitch of start-ups between students and young professionals.
- Guaranteeing financial support for their activities and encouraging them to be creative and proactive.

### Section Vitality

The Section launched this year new awards to value the most active chapters, student Branches and volunteers. The Section also initiated a new Award in collaboration with F2S (Fédération Française de Sociétés scientifiques). The award has the name of the Famous French Scientist who discovered Radio Conduction, Edouard Branly.

We welcomed IEEE Life Members delegates in Paris. They visited Edouard Branly Museum, they had a presentation on Edouard Branly discovery and finally a social event.

### Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- Second Edition of MAW
- Pitch your startup event
- Strong involvement in the organization of the R8 Committee Meeting in Monaco