

## Italy Section

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### Getting Closer to Industry

- We have established a proper Industry Relation Committee, formed by 6 members, two of them are from Industry.
- The annual meeting of the section will feature a proper industry forum.
- We are nominating two members of the section as Industry Ambassadors in the Action for Industry AFI Initiative.
- During the last annual meeting of the section we had a broad audience and participation of industry partners.

### Students and Young Professionals

- We have a Committee of the Section dedicated to support Students and Young Professional.
- We have some difficulties to enlarge the presence of students in the Section. This is mainly due to the extremely rapid turnover.
- In the last meeting of the session we have dedicated two different sessions to the Students.
- We are planning to organize an annual Student Branches meeting this year in September.

### Section Vitality

We have planned several activities

- IEEE Milestone for Fermi in Florence
- Chapter meeting
- Student Branch meeting
- Two or more Ex-Co meeting
- Periodic update of the website
- Periodic update of the Section rules
- Update of the Section Bylaws
- Several International Conferences sponsored by the Section
- Professional Development Activities, such as workshop/seminar.
- Recognition of members for awards.

### Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

8 members of our Section have been elevated to IEEE Fellows.