

Sweden Section

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Getting Closer to Industry

- Using Sweden Section 50 yr anniversary for events, approaching industry & business.
- Industry relations are strengthened by e g having industry members involved in IEEE positions, e g Chair or Board members in Chapters, Section Board etc.
- Cooperation across IEEE to address topics of interest to industry members: E g Industry dominant chapters cooperate with academia dominant chapters. WiE relevant for female industry professionals Cooperate with industry associations in seminars. Sourcing of talent and exposure, by participating in SYP & WiE events
- Aim for annual industry-academia panel event with SYP & WiE
- No IEEE member was awarded any Nobel Prize 2015, hence no such event (like 2014)
- However, tighter business environment is a challenge; Tighter budgets & less sponsoring, slim organizations & less time for voluntary work such as IEEE. Accelerated during 2015

Students and Young Professionals

- The Sweden Section vitality has increased substantially in WiE, YP and SB during 2015.
- Direct involvement in the Section Board, by adjuncting key individuals from SYP & WiE. This cuts communication barriers and builds for future elevation to Board positions.
- Direct involvement of SYP members in Nomination Committee
- Strong support & involvement from the Section Chair & Board inspires & enhances the efforts of SYP & WIE. The pan-Nordic SYP & WiE congress Nov 2015 was well organized & executed.
- Recognition is important, e g R8 YP Exceptional Volunteer Award to Samarth Deo for SYP work & organizing NSYP
- Cross country-border events is very stimulating, for all parties involved: Indicated Adding the industry perspective making it even better. Strongly indicated in feedback from NSYP
- Bring in and/or involve SYP & WIE representatives in Chapter boards.
- A challenge to keep good individuals, as they move on or change interest.

Section Vitality

- Increased vitality of the Sweden Section, gaining momentum and width.
- More direct communication with all Sweden Section members; Mails from Section Chair, Newsletter, ad hoc communication of special topics, a compiled plan for next quarter
- Improved & more structured operation: Plan and budget process extended and improved, more active reporting & follow up
- Institutionalized cooperation across the Section, the 3rd year of a joint chair workshop 2016 - chapters, SYP, WiE.
- We started pan-Nordic/Baltic Section Chair meeting. Sweden shared its plans, others in process. Sweden will invite them to coming events
- Renewal of Chapter boards. Forming a new pan-Nordic chapter, hosted in Sweden initially
- Active process to elevate members to senior member
- First Section milestone in process. A 2nd milestone in preparation.

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- The Sweden Section 50 year anniversary 2015 has been used as a vehicle in a wide sense: Members, industry & academia, chapters, SYP & WiE, cross-border, society etc.
- An entirely new Sweden history document prepared, draft versions distributed.