

## Zambia Section

### Getting Closer to Industry

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- The programs and initiatives that have worked well to foster Industry relations in the Zambian Section include but are not limited to:
  - Conducting industrial tours for the general membership
  - Inviting renowned CEOs to come give industrial Talks.
- The changes that may be necessary to improve the IEEE Industrial relations should include:
  - Sponsoring these industrial tours by IEEE R8 as long as there is a justification to undertake such a tour.
  - Promote the use science in schools and colleges by IEEE through project sponsorship
- Some of the successes that this section has scored include:
  - Visibility of the section in Quasi-Government institutions
  - There is a measurable amount presence of IEEE collaboration with Energy Companies in Zambia
  - Both public and Private Universities are more than wiling to partner with IEEE Zambia Section than before
  - IEEE Zambia Section has partnered with IEEE Standards Association and IEEE Education Activities to host a number of activities as a way of working closer with industry and other relevant organizations of the government.
- In order to continue with this path of engagement with industry, the Section will endeavor to use every opportunity available to advance the noble cause of this institution for the common good of our general membership.

#### **Students and Young Professionals**

- Some of the initiatives that the Section has embarked to support students and young professionals include:
  - Conducting regular meetings and social gathering to the would be members as way of encouraging
  - Embark on the the program of awarding recognition to deserving volunteers as way of encouraging them to participate in student and young professional activities
  - Encourage students to be attending regional conferences to widen there understanding and reinforcing the sense of volunteerism as wall mark of IEEE.
- The important thing to appreciate is that the future of our section squarely lies on how best we engage this important group in all our future activities.
  - By increasing the horizon and go further to recruit more members from Technical Schools especially those with more female members.
  - Encourage young Professional to recruit new member and gain on CPD points
- As a Section we can now proudly say we in the process of launching the first ever Power Energy Society [PES] with Zambia having met all the requirements necessary to have the society registered
- The continued support to students and young Professionals shall be done by active engagements in all programs that are undertaken by the Section at all times.

#### Section Vitality

- The sustainability of our Section will depend on massive recruitment and retention of both new and old members of the Section
- Providing tangible programs like outreach programs that have direct bearing on membership of the Section
- The Section shall endeavor to post all the activities it undertakes on platforms that have been provided by IEEE like Vtools.

#### Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- IEEE ZAMBIA SECTION have held two successful Industrial meetings in partnership with IEEE Standards Association and IEEE Education Activities with the Energy Sector and Mobile Providers in Zambia.
- The Section through IEEE corporation partners have successfully negotiated the Hosting of 2016 PES Conference in Livingstone [Zambia]
- The Section has embarked the program of inviting Distinguished Lecturers with the help of the IEEE body to come and give public talks at our Two Public Universities namely University of Zambia and Copperbelt University. This is meant to be ongoing if financial support can allow.