

Denmark Section

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Getting Closer to Industry

- As chair, Ole Lauridsen is also contacting industry in Denmark. Since last, contact has been made with Bang&Olufsen, Copham, Celwave, Procom, Terma and Teracom. The board of Denmark Section consists mostly of university staff. We work to get at least one industry development manager to join the board. The senior comm. industry managers are primarily focused on the Danish engineering society: IDA. We are in a dialogue based on many years of cooperation to make arrangements on new mobile technologies together. As reported, we had one seminar in 2015 on this subject!
- The major success is that IEEE Denmark section keeps the number of members (app. 915). IEEE with its societies is seen as a powerful way of being kept updated on new technologies.
- We are going to continue discussion with IEEE members in the communication industry on what matters are relevant. Procom, an antennae company was recently sold to AMP in U.S. and that has led to the developing engineers to look for US universities for cooperation. Also former chair, Erik Stilling, is setting up an AP&Micro Wave chapter for the comms. and radar industry in Denmark.

Students and Young Professionals

- Since a new board was elected as pr. Jan. 2015, introducing 3 new members from Aalborg University: pr. 1st October Filipe Faire da Silva, a Ph.D student, has organized PE31 PES student chapter at AAUC. (separate reporting). Pr. quarter we are now establishing student chapters at DTU, Copenhagen University, Odense Uni. and Aarhus School of Engineering, so hopefully, at the end of 2016 the major Danish Universities will have their individual students branches.
- IEEE DK, needs to have a very fast procedure in the work to support students activities economical. As time, from initiative to setting up a workshop, is in the matter of few weeks.
- To support the other universities in getting a students branch, the basic working principles from Filipe's Aalborg chapter will be made available for the new ones.

Section Vitality

- The vitality, as seen in stable numbers (915), is based on the highly professional IEEE Societies and their magazines.
- It will be necessary to have more industry people in the board. This cannot be made in competition with IDA, but must be done in cooperation.
- The section vitality was highly improved by the new and active board members as of our election pr. Jan. 2015.
- More publicity, concerning IEEE Denmark, will be launched during 2016 ! Eventual in cooperation with the Danish engineering paper: "Ingenioren" and IEEE Sweden.

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- The process of approval for seminars and student activities will be "modernized".
- The success with the annual meeting on "Smart Grid" and electric cars will be followed by a DL (Distinguished Lecturer) from the US car industry in cooperation with the US embassy in Copenhagen.
- The Chairperson has made lecturers on the 100th year anniversary of the dynamic loudspeaker, invented by the Danish-/American engineers Peter L. Jensen in Napa, US, in 1015.
- In 2016 IEEE Denmark will take responsibility for moving the "Memorable Radio Place" Lyngby Radio plaque to the OXA "Wireless Telegraph Museum".