

## Denmark Section

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### Getting Closer to Industry

We are visiting major Danish electronic manufacturers. B&O, Bang and Olufsen, (TV and HiFi) will now support young engineers in their membership of IEEE. With the company Terma (Radars) a group in radar development are applying for membership. Troels Bundgaard and I are invited to B&K for presentation of IEEE. We need no change from IEEE or the Region. I have started talks with the Elektro group of the Danish engineering organization, by their chairman Gerd Eriksen for a thighter cooperation. We are in the next half year focusing on the Electro-Medical Danish industry

### Students and Young Professionals

- We have now student branches at: Aalborg University, Aarhus University, Danish Technical University (Lyngby) and SDU ( Odense). The present incentives for students are okay. We have a tendency that foreign students from Spain, Portugal and Greece are more dominant in the student chapters as IEEE gives a better international connection. They want to be able to seek future employment Globally.
- We are inviting heads of Student branches to some of our excom meetings.

### Section Vitality

Our membership-numbers are relative stable around 900 members. The major power of IEEE is the chapters. We had very successful conferences in "Humans in the control loop. And 130 participants in "Wireless Summit" by Ramje Prasad the 1st of July in Aalborg. It is obvious that IEEE has its strengths in the university world. We will continue with annual conferences closely connected to the university education. As IDA ( the Danish Engineering Association) is giving very good service to its members; the US/international flavor of IEEE is the strong point. But by cooperation with IDA/Elektro we think in combination with the yearly conferences IEEE Denmark section can maintain its vitality!

### Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

- We are just now forming a chapter concentrating on: The fields of Antennas/Propagation and Microwave Theory & Technique. This is initiated by the former section head Erik Stilling.
- We are preparing the bi-annual election procedure for Excom and candidates from industry (Delta) and universities has been identified. Also I work on a candidate from B&K (Sound & Vibration).
- To align the activities chapter heads will be invited in November for a conference concerning the future strategy for IEEE Denmark Section.
- The chapter heads are:
  - CS23/RA24, Thomas Bak ;
  - VT06/AESS10/IT12/COM19, Ramjee Prasad ;
  - C16, Paul Pop ;
  - PE31, Filipe Miguel Faria Da Silva ;
  - IE13/IA34/PEL35, Soeren Baekhoej Kjaer ;
  - SP01, Jan Larsen