

Nigeria Section

Getting Closer to Industry

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- The IEEE Nigeria section has initiated an Internship Industry program where selected interns where the section pairs students with companies in order for them to gain practical experience.
- We expect the Region to assist us with some minor funding for the interns since most companies do not tend to have the ability to fully cater for trainees.
- We also work closely with some companies who sponsor and exhibit technical products during most of our section events and collaborations.
- In order to foster industry relations, we plan to expand our internship program to cover other sections and form a sort of exchange program in the near future.

Students and Young Professionals

- In the Nigeria Section we have a good number of active student branches and a very vibrant SYP Exco.
- For SYP we have a series of programs mostly aimed at recruiting new Students and professionals.
- Our Major successes in SYP can be seen from the vibrancy of our current SYP Exco led by the Chair Abulateef Aliyu
- The Nigeria Section will support the SYP Exco and members mainly with networking and connecting to other SYPs in other countries.

Section Vitality

- We have the annual students robotics competition and a few other showcase events within our section.
- We would appreciate more funding and support for activities within the section in order for us to roll out and actualize new programs.
- Since our last section meeting, we have improved the management of our membership database and communication.
- We plan to be more visible within the country and we intend to captivate a lot of practicing Engineers and academics who are not aware of the potentials which IEEE offers.

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

We recently initiated and IEEE SIGHT within the section. The site has been approved by Region 8 and we plan to use this pilot SIGHT as a pioneering program with which we shall establish a template with which we can use IEEE programs to bring developmental programs to Nigeria.