

Jordan Section

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Getting Closer to Industry

We are trying to get closer to industry through the following techniques:

- 1) Having more members in the section committee from industry; seven members of this committee are now from industry
- 2) Our young professionals hold several professional and technical activities that involve young professionals from industry.
- 3) We organize special workshops targeting engineers from industry such as Amman Metro Area Workshop. The second workshop of this series will be held in September.
- 4) We have expanded our annual student branches congress to include young professionals this year. JSYPC 2017 was held in July.
- 5) Our biannual conference on applied electrical engineering and computing technologies targets participants from industry and focuses on academia/industry relationships and joint research. AEECT 2017 is scheduled in October.

Attracting and Supporting Future Members

We attract and support future members through the following techniques:

- 1) Our section, chapters, affinity groups, and student branches hold many activities every year that give value to members and generate great visibility to IEEE in Jordan. Such activities continuously attract new members.
- 2) We encourage and support creating new student branches and student chapters; several new branches and chapters were created this year. Such new organizational units attract new members and hold additional activities.

Section Vitality

We continue to foster section vitality and sustainability through the following techniques:

- 1) Holding periodic elections for all organizational units including the section, the chapters, student branches and chapters, and affinity groups.
- 2) Encouraging all units to hold periodic activities and meetings and to report these activities.
- 3) Continue attracting new members and improve the retention rates.
- 4) Hold general meetings and congresses such as JSYPC 2017 and the Section General Meeting. This year's Section General Meeting was in May. In this meeting, the Section and Chapter Chairs reported past year activities and their plans for 2017. The meeting included a keynote speech on recent technologies and recognition awards for distinguished volunteers, organizational units, and loyal members (more than 30 years of membership).
- 5) The section financially supports activities organized by affinity groups and students and supports their participation in regional and international professional meetings.

IEEE in Africa

Jordan Section is open to collaboration with IEEE activities in Africa.

Support from IEEE Office in Vienna, Austria

To facilitate the mobility of the Region 8 members between the different countries, e.g., help in securing visas. To help in legalizing the existence of IEEE offices in the different countries of Region 8.

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

Jordan Section continues to achieve good results:

- 1) Jordan Section has received the IEEE Gold Medal for 2017 Outstanding Section Membership Recruitment and Retention Performance.
- 2) Our YP AG received Region 8 Outstanding Young Professionals Affinity Group Award.
- 3) We organize a biannual conference and technically co-sponsor several conferences in Jordan. The AEECT2017 conference will be held in Amman in October 2017. We are co-sponsoring four conferences in Jordan this year.