

Denmark Section

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Getting Closer to Industry

With his extensive contacts to both industry and academia, our current IRO and Past Chair Ole MLauridsen is in an ideal position to activate industry relations and arrange joint technical meetings like during the period 2008-12. However, in addition to his regular work, his engagement in our longterm efforts to get our bank to accept transfer of drawing rights to the present treasurer has severely limited his time for motivating industry to join IEEE and for arranging joint section-industry activities. Resolving this obstacle to enabling the section to, e.g. finance Distinguished Lecturers visits in DK for joint IEEE-Industry meetings, would clearly be one way of motivating industry to see advantages in cooperating with IEEE.

Attracting and Supporting Future Members

A new generation of very active students and young professionals at Aalborg University has initiated ""rebirth"" of the former SB and created a joint SB chapter. Unfortunately, the section is still unable to actively support this promising development financially because of the bank issue described above. Still left to do is revitalising the SB at Denmark Technical University and personalise contacts between the section and student volunteers there. Motivating students to engage in SPCs and join the SB congresses is among the means to foster personal relations and activities in an IEEE context.

Section Vitality

Repeated addresses at a personal level to former chapter officers for reactivating dormant chapters are beginning to show results. A nomination and subsequent election of a new board for the joint chapter IE13/IA34/PEL35 is currently under way. As the bank issue hopefully is resolved as the summer holidays ends also at our bank, the section will be able to once again to be the driving force for arranging joint seminars and meetings with both universities, the national danish engineer association and with industry.

IEEE in Africa

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Support from IEEE Office in Vienna, Austria

Creation of a pan-European DL Program and identifying DLs would facilitate and help sections in attracting industry and members from high-tech companies, in particular DLs from industry itself.

Miscellaneous / Recommendations / Feedback

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