Conference Coordination Subcommittee (CoCSC)  

Goals

1) Improve Information sharing, Regular news to relevant organizers, webinars
2) Well documented processes, TCS requirements, yearly committee plan
3) Recruiting good candidates for flagships, supporting them, new conferences?
4) Good relation with MGA, MCE, other regional conference coordinators.

Status and Past Contribution

1) Committee website
2) eNotice service
3) Technical Co-Sponsored conferences
4) IEEE R8 Flagship conferences
5) POCO 2017 in Australia, POCO 2018 in Germany 6. Recent Webinars, Center for Leadership Excellence, IEEE Conference Organizers’ Newsletter

Point of Concern

1) Conference coordinators in Sections

Committee Website

The website is kept current with the list of upcoming R8 flagship conferences, upcoming webinars (and listings of older ones) and other information relevant to our members and conference organisers.


e-Notice Service

e-Notice requests approved are approved by IEEE R8 CoCSC member (Tomislav Capuder) after checking if the conference requesting e-Notice service is technically co-sponsored conference of the R8. IEEE Director is kept in the loop of all communication and has a final word in case of any issues. By doing this we have speed-up the process of approving e-Notice requests.

Technical Co-Sponsored Conferences

Region 8 is still leading the IEEE other regions in the number of IEEE conferences organized in its different sections.

Financially co-sponsored conferences by IEEE in 2017 (dark green is R8):

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Technically co-sponsored conferences by IEEE in 2017 (dark green is R8):
Number of technically co-sponsored conferences by IEEE R8 remains constant. The benefits are recognized, among others, in using R8 e-Notice service. Questions/issues: R8 requires plagiarism check to technically co-sponsored conferences. However, only in cases where full publication copyrights are transferred to IEEE the tool is free for organizers.

**IEEE R8 Flagship Conferences**

- **IEEE EUROCON 2017**
  17th edition of IEEE Eurocon was held in Ohrid, Macedonia from 6-8. July 2017. Over 170 regular papers, special session and 7 plenary speakers contributed to an excellent scientific program. In addition, the organizers effort in organized and offering multiple social events (organized trips, conference dinner...) significantly contributed to wonderful experience of Macedonia and Ohrid for all participants. Additionally, the organizers or IEEE Eurocon 2017 have included the organizers of the next event (IEEE Eurocon 2019 in Novi Sad, Serbia) in the organization and committees or this years event and have passed on experience on how to organize an excellent event.
  

- **IEEE Africon 2017**
  The 13th IEEE Africon conference is to be held in the V&A Waterfront in Cape Town, South Africa from the 18-20 September. Over 300 papers have been accepted for presentation at the conference. The primary venue is the Avenue conference centre with rooms being used in the neighbouring One&Only Hotel and Workshop17. There will be 5 plenary sessions, a workshop, robotics forum, Section workshop and N2Women event In addition to the technical tracks. Registration is now open (1 August 2017). We will also be celebrating the 40th anniversary of the South Africa Section during the conference.
  

- **IEEE Energycon 2018** (Limassol, Cyprus)
  3-7 June, 2018
  

- **IEEE Melecon 2018** (Marrakesh, Morocco)
  2-7 May, 2018
  

- **IEEE Eurocon 2019** (Novi Sad, Serbia)
  8-10 July, 2019
  

- **IEEE Africon 2019**
- **IEEE Histelcon 2019** TBA

**POCO 2017 in Australia, POCO 2018 in Germany**

The Panel of Conference Organizers was/is organized 8-9 August in Sydney, Australia. The most advised event for conference organizers. The next edition in 2019 comes to Region 8, to Germany. Sections can plan to send representatives to that very helpful event. [http://ieeepoco.org](http://ieeepoco.org)

**Recent Webinars**

- 15.06.2017 Organizando Eventos Dirigidos a Profesionistas Trabajando en la Industria
- 24.05.2017 IEEE Conference Sponsorship Overview
- 27.04.2017 CrossCheck plagiarism screening tool

**Center for Leadership Excellence**

There are many resources, templates, tutorials at IEEE Center for Leadership Excellence (CLE) website. The new redesigned CLE offers a ‘one stop’ training solution designed to serve the multiple and diverse range of IEEE user communities. From
volunteers, non-volunteers to students, members and conference organizers, the site offers a simpler and effective learning experience.

https://ieee-elearning.org/CLE/

**IEEE Conference Organizers’ Newsletter**

The Newsletter is intended to communicate important information about conference organizing practices, new services and tools available, IEEE policy changes, and industry information or issues relevant to conference organizing.

http://www.ieee.org/conferences_events/conferences/organizers/organizers_newsletter.html

**Point of Concern**

- Conference coordinators in Sections
  
  It would be beneficial if Sections provide us a Conference coordinator’s contact details, to provide relevant information regarding conferences, procedures, webinars. Please, send the contacts to Peter Nagy (nagy.peter@ieee.org)

See you at the Region 8 meeting in Sydney, Australia! Péter Nagy, Adel Alimi, Tomislav Capuder, Shaun Kaplan