

Spain Section

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What activities/programs/initiatives work well in your Section to foster Industry Relations? What changes would be required by IEEE/the Region/your Section to improve Industry Relations? What were major successes since the last meeting in terms of Industry Relations? How are you going to continue to foster Industry Relations?

We organized an executive meeting with key players in the Spanish Semiconductor Industry, research centers and university, explaining (and promoting) success cases of university-industry relationship based on a win-win basis. It was celebrated in October, 20th, 2017 Innovation Fund obtained from R8 (\$2800)

Our suggestion is to keep promoting these type of actions from R8 and promoting international networking with other multinational companies.

Our ideas is to create a common conference calendar to invite industry members locally to IEEE speeches organized by the chapters To promote collaboration with Young Professional and Student Branches to give tips to improve employability.

What activities/programs/initiatives work well in your Section to Attract and Support Future Members, e.g., Students and Young Professionals? What changes would be required by IEEE/the Region/your Section to better Attract and Support Future Members? What were major successes since the last meeting in terms of Attracting and Supporting Future Members? How are you going to continue to support Students and Young Professionals?

Our new YP officer (and his team) have been very active during 2017, organizing several events (YP Tour in Madrid, Cartagena and Seville) and they we are also involved in WESYP 2017 in Valencia (november 2017).

From R8, we request more promotion and communication. Only 5-10 foreign YP members came to WESYP 2017 in Valencia.

SBs are demanding that the IEEE Spain Section provide them with greater communication with the industry and organize visits. We are currently working on it.

What activities/programs/initiatives work well to drive the vitality and sustainability in your Section? What changes would be required by IEEE/the Region/your Section to improve Section vitality and sustainability? What were major successes since the last meeting in terms of Section Vitality? How are you going to continue to foster Section Vitality?

We are losing members in a slight but constant way over time.

From R8, my suggestion is to provide more attractive offers to our members, like US members have.

During 2018, we are going to perform a deep study about our members status and we are preparing a campaign to know the reasons for leaving our organization.

What are your recommendations to IEEE Region 8 and the Africa Area Chair Gloria Chuckwudebe to foster IEEE in Africa? How does your Section support IEEE Activities in Africa?

Our Section does not support IEEE Activities in Africa in this moment.

What services and which kind of support would you expect for Region 8 and/or your section out of the new IEEE office in Vienna, Austria? How has the existence of this office influenced your section since its inauguration last year?

This office should help the IEEE R8 to collaborate more actively with the education and research policy of the European Union.

Outstanding new initiatives, Special Achievements, Anniversaries.

We will celebrate our 50th Anniversary in 2018. We are preparing different events to celebrate it. All of you are welcome.