

## **Director**

**Margaretha Eriksson**

### **Goals**

To lead the Region as per our strategic goals

### **Status**

Good

### **Outlook**

Very positive, we have an IEEE office in Vienna since September 2017 under the leadership of Clara Neppel, we have established an IEEE Africa Council (formalities planned to be finished during 2019) and appointed a pro tem leadership team. We have formed new sections and subsections on the African continent and they are proposed by the members. Every week I have the pleasure to approve the formation of new student branches, as well as technical chapters in the region. The transformation of our Treasury function and moving the book into a cloud-based system is well underway, and we will hear details from the Treasurer and auditor during the meeting.

### **Points of Concern**

We need to finalize the transformation of the Treasury into the cloud-based solution and make sure the Treasury team, the accounting system and IEEE Finance department work well together. The Africa council (in forming), IEEE Africa Ad-hoc Committee and R8 leadership need to coordinate their efforts and activities for optimal effect. It is minimum a 3-5 year commitment.

### **Other Issues to report**

I would like to thank all hard-working Section Chairs in our region, all the Vice-Chairs and their teams for leading and supporting activities, and all OpCom members, everybody who has been involved in IEEE during 201-2018 for the efforts you have made in the name of IEEE. The amount of enthusiasm and positive energy we all put into "advancing technology for humanity" is outstanding! Thank you!