

Latvia 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?

The deployment of new technologies for industrial partners via participation in tutorials, conference open sessions, open lectures and bilateral meetings.

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?

The individual contacts, and regular advertisement activities have been done. The with special attention to the young researchers, the mobile advertisement are placed in Doctoral department of Riga Technical University the biggest technical university in Latvia, with target audience of Future and Existing members.

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?

The IEEE Latvia has supporter of organisation of main scientific conferences in Latvia. 2018 59th International Scientific Conference on Information Technology and Management Science of Riga Technical University (ITMS) RTUCON2018 RTUWO 2018 The annual PhD was organised under active IEEE members leadership INTERNATIONAL DOCTORAL SCHOOL OF ENERGY CONVERSION AND SAVING TECHNOLOGIES OF RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY The active participation of IEEE members, especially young researchers from Baltic region is expected on 2018 IEEE 6th Workshop on Advances in Information, Electronic and Electrical Engineering (AIEEE) , the workshop is organised by Lithuanian IEEE section this year, with active IEEE Latvia involvement. The regular industry - young researchers collaboration are organised. The industrial visits will be organised for students and pupils. The industry driven research topics have been mentored by IEEE members with the cooperation of Latvian schools.

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?

The members of IEEE Latvia section are open to offer visiting lecturer for African region, as well to support IEEE members by mentoring in common research, education (Especially Erasmus KA 2 proposals) as well as to share experience in IEEE sustainability and regular activities.

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?

The support was not requested.

Outstanding new initiatives, Special Achievements, Anniversaries.

The regional initiative group from former industrial, but now region with depressive economics Liepaja , is very active now and interested to apply for IEEE Humanitarian Activities Committee (HAC) Funding Opportunities