

Poland 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?

Poland Section make big efforts to provide service for industry in Poland. Numerous actions and events was realized. Most important were following events:

- IEEE Poland Section was honorary co-sponsor of conference "BIG DATA for BIG IMPACT" (around 200 participants) organized by Association of Polish Electrical Engineers (SEP) in Polish Parliament under umbrella of Marshal of the Parliament. It was prestigious event recognized in whole engineering society and media;
- IEEE Poland Section was honorary sponsor of huge IT Future Expo organized in National Stadium in Warsaw;
- IEEE Poland Section was honorary sponsor of European Rover Challenge;
- IEEE Thesis Contests with INTEL cooperation for students on AGH (Krakow), PWSZ (Elblag), PW (Warsaw).
- IEEE Poland Section organize with Industrial sponsors Students&YP Meet-Up in Elblag

Next planned IEEE Poland Section activity with industry will include:

- Joint conferences;
- New cooperation platform (Academia-Industry) for PhD and MSc thesis;
- Joint workshops; laboratories and lectures for students;

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?

There is only one way to attract and support future members, which is high quality technical&scientific meetings. There is also important networking of students and YP. Therefore, IEEE Poland Section has many activities, which includes:

- co-organization annually around 30 high quality scientific conferences;
- high quality scientific workshop and lectures organized by chapters;
- well supported DL Program by chapters;
- creation of new Student Branches;
- organization of YP Meet-Up;

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?

Recent successes are a proof of section vitality:

- 2017 Region 8 Outstanding Medium Section Award;
- 2018 Outstanding Section Membership Recruitment and Retention Performance;
- 2018 IEEE Young Professionals Hall of Fame Award for YPs in IEEE Poland Section
- Region 8 Exemplary Student Branch Award
- 2017 Outstanding Chapter Award for C-016 Computers (Poland Section)
- 2017 Outstanding Industrial Electronics Chapter Award (Poland Section)
- High number of members elevated to Senior Member

IEEE Poland Section going to continue section vitality by high quality technical and scientific activity as well as networking of young members.

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?

Authorities of Region 8 should give first inspiration to start collaboration Europe/Africa by special programs e.g.:

- Sister sections program (two or more sections from Europe and Africa will create sister sections to support each other),
- DL program under umbrella of R8, where DL speakers from Europe can visit African Section and opposite,
- Short visit (scholarship) of MSc/PhD students from Africa in European Scientific Institution (visit paid by R8)

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 existence of office did not influence Poland Section up to now. However, it can helps in some issues:

- legal assistance in case of multi-country IEEE activity,
- financial issues of R8 should be in Vienna office (e.g. account, treasurer assistance etc.),

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Final preparation stage of IEEE Milestone for Czochralski as a common initiative of Poland and Germany IEEE Sections