

The 112th IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting

Action For Industry (AfI)

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Goals

- Expand AfI to new countries and new companies via SIAs, YPs, WIE, Seniors & Fellows;
- Add new companies in the AfI internship program;
- Increase the number of industry and enterpreneurship events organized by IEEE in R8.

Status

An initial meeting with the AfI sub committee members took place to discuss 2019 Action for Industry strategy, focus, action plan, budget and goals. The AfI sub committee meetings will be held quarterly to increase collaboration, identify challenges and receive an update on AfI goals and KPIs. Communication with Sections will take place in an effort to increase engagement and collaboration for industry and enterpreneurship activities. Increase collaboration with YPs, WIE, Educational Activities, Standards and Conferences R8 sub committees in an effort to create programs that provide value to IEEE members who work in industry and to students.

Outlook

Our next steps are:

- 1) Secure internship positions for 2019 from companies that have already participated in AfI internship program in 2018 and add new companies in the internship program;
- 2) Participate in industry forums and workshops that will take place during IEEE conferences;
- 3) Mentoring to enterpreneurs and young professionals.

Points of Concern

Sections in R8 should set as a proiority to get closer to industry and organize events with industry. Sections should appoint at least one Industry Ambassador and set a budget for industry and enterpreneurship events. Young Professionals should be part of Section Industry Ambassador teams.

Other Issues to report