

## Jordan 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 are trying to get closer to industry through the following techniques:

- Having more members in the section committee from industry; five members of this committee are now from industry
- Our young professionals hold several professional and technical activities that involve young professionals from industry.
- We have expanded our annual student branches congress to include young professionals last year. JSYPC 2019 will be held in August.
- Our biannual conference on applied electrical engineering and computing technologies targets participants from industry and focuses on academia/industry relationships and joint research. AEECT 2017 was held in October 2017. AEECT 2019 has merged with other two conferences JIEEEEC 2019 and ICIT 2019. The JIEEEEC is organized by Jordan Engineers Association. This will enable us to reach more industry members. The name of the merged conference is JEEIT 2019 and will be held in April 9-11, 2019.
- We organize special workshops targeting engineers from industry such as Amman Metro Area Workshop. The second workshop of this series was held in September 2017. The third workshop will be in April 2019 in conjunction with JEEIT 2019.

**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?**

Jordan Section has witnessed large increases in its membership. The section now is a large section with more than 1,500 members. We attract and support future members through the following techniques:

- Our section, chapters, affinity groups, and student branches hold many activities every year that give value to members and generate great visibility to IEEE in Jordan. Such activities continuously attract new members.
- We encourage and support creating new student branches and student chapters; several new branches and chapters were created last year. Such new organizational units attract new members and hold additional activities.

**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 continue to foster section vitality and sustainability through the following techniques:

- Holding periodic elections for all organizational units including the section, the chapters, student branches and chapters, and affinity groups.
- Encouraging all units to hold periodic activities and meetings and to report these activities.
- Continue attracting new members and improve the retention rates.
- Hold general meetings and congresses such as JSYPC 2018 and the annual Section General Meeting. Last year's Section General Meeting was in May. In this meeting, we had our annual recognition ceremonies and a keynote.
- The section financially supports activities organized by affinity groups and students and supports their participation in regional and international professional meetings. We supported four participants in R8 SYP 2018.

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

Jordan Section is open to collaboration with IEEE activities in Africa.

**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?**

To facilitate the mobility of the Region 8 members between the different countries, e.g., help in securing visas. To help in legalizing the existence of IEEE offices in the various countries of Region 8.

**Outstanding new initiatives, Special Achievements, Anniversaries.**

Jordan Section continues to achieve good results:

- Jordan Section has received the IEEE Silver Medal for 2018 Outstanding Section Membership Recruitment Performance.
- Our YP AG received Region 8 Outstanding Young Professionals Affinity Group Award.

**Photos and figures**

