

## **Oman 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 Section has developed "Benefit Package" document to be circulated and presented to the industry to encourage joining IEEE and participating in its activities. We currently have two IEEE members who are taking care of this task; namely, the honorary chair of the section and current Ambassador for Industry.

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 Section has increased its support to Students and Young Professionals. In fact, the section is sponsoring a local SYP Congress to be organized this March. The congress will be an opportunity to recruit more 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?

We find that organizing seminars and workshops work well for the section. In addition, we have scaled our capacity to technically sponsor conference, since this give an opportunity to recruit more volunteers.

## 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?

Currently, the Section has not participated in 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? Until now, the Section has not taken avail of the services provided by the Vienna office.

Outstanding new initiatives, Special Achievements, Anniversaries.

Recruited more volunteers. Technically sponsoring 3 conferences. Organizing the first local SYP congress.