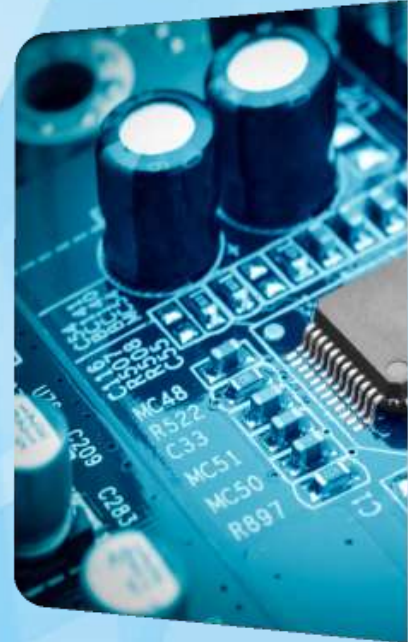
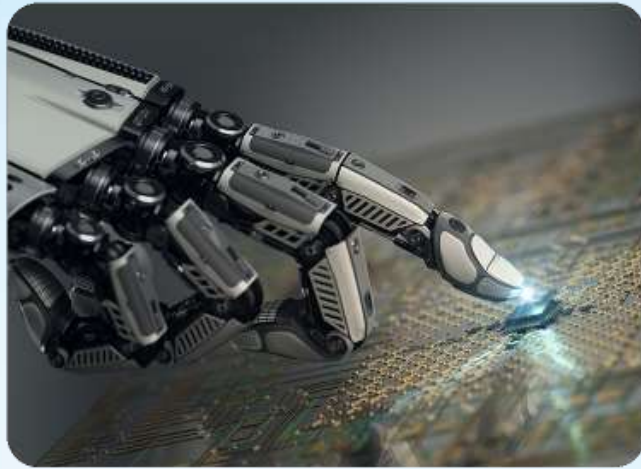




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IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting, Valletta, Malta, March 15-17, 2019



Welcome to the 112th Region 8 Committee Meeting! and to the beautiful city of Valletta, Malta



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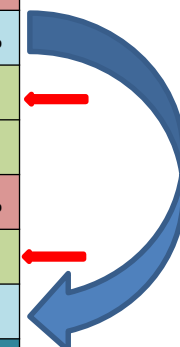
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Region 8 membership:

Region 8				
Grade	Jan-19	Jan-18	# Change	% Change
Honorary	10	9	1	0.0%
Fellow	1276	1239	37	3.0%
Senior Member	8,695	8,164	531	6.5%
Member	42,557	42,884	-327	-0.8%
Associate	1,530	1,438	92	6.4%
GSM	11,304	10,937	367	3.4%
StM	13,244	12,817	427	3.3%
Total	78,616	77,488	1,128	1.5%

R8 versus R1-6, R7, R9, and R10:

Geographic IEEE Membership Summary - January 2019																
REGION	Higher-Grade w/o GSM				Graduate Students				Undergraduate Students				TOTAL MEMBERS			
	2019	2018	Change		2019	2018	Change		2019	2018	Change		2019	2018	Change	
			#	%			#	%			#	%			#	%
1	25,697	26,456	(759)	-2.9%	1,822	1,844	(22)	-1.2%	2,288	2,245	43	1.9%	29,807	30,545	(738)	-2.4%
2	22,132	22,894	(762)	-3.3%	1,641	1,590	51	3.2%	1,589	1,603	(14)	-0.9%	25,362	26,087	(725)	-2.8%
3	22,620	22,958	(338)	-1.5%	2,451	2,355	96	4.1%	2,811	2,683	128	4.8%	27,882	27,996	(114)	-0.4%
4	16,245	16,531	(286)	-1.7%	1,816	1,834	(18)	-1.0%	2,032	1,970	62	3.1%	20,093	20,335	(242)	-1.2%
5	21,596	21,825	(229)	-1.0%	1,804	1,878	(74)	-3.9%	2,392	2,342	50	2.1%	25,792	26,045	(253)	-1.0%
6	44,611	45,346	(735)	-1.6%	2,978	2,896	82	2.8%	4,514	4,451	63	1.4%	52,103	52,693	(590)	-1.1%
R 1-6	152,901	156,010	(3,109)	-2.0%	12,512	12,397	115	0.9%	15,626	15,294	332	2.2%	181,039	183,701	(2,662)	-1.4%
7	13,077	12,705	372	2.9%	2,355	2,062	293	14.2%	2,075	1,735	340	19.6%	17,507	16,502	1,005	6.1%
8	54,068	53,734	334	0.6%	11,304	10,937	367	3.4%	13,244	12,817	427	3.3%	78,616	77,488	1,128	1.5%
9	9,683	9,511	172	1.8%	1,537	1,554	(17)	-1.1%	7,291	7,616	(325)	-4.3%	18,511	18,681	(170)	-0.9%
10	70,895	67,264	3,631	5.4%	20,324	18,478	1,846	10.0%	42,933	43,984	(1,051)	-2.4%	134,152	129,726	4,426	3.4%
R 7-10	147,723	143,214	4,509	3.1%	35,520	33,031	2,489	7.5%	65,543	66,152	(609)	-0.9%	248,786	242,397	6,389	2.6%
TOTAL	300,624	299,224	1,400	0.5%	48,032	45,428	2,604	5.7%	81,169	81,446	(277)	-0.3%	429,825	426,098	3,727	0.9%



IEEE is becoming truly transnational!!!

R8 Operational Units:

- 1 Council
- 58 Sections
- 10 Subsections
- 405 Chapters
- 147 Joint Chapters
- 675 Student Branches
- 378 Student Branch Chapters
- 220 Affinity Groups:
 - 52 Young Professional AGs
 - 155 Women in Engineering AGs
 - 13 Life Member AGs

R8 achievements:

- 340+ YP activities (2017-2018)
- 7 WIE International Leadership Summit
 - 5 in 2017-2018
 - 2 in 2019: Porto (Portugal), Ibadan (Nigeria)
- 6 R8 flagship conferences,
 - Eurocon, Africon, Histelcon, Educon: in 2019
 - Melecon, Energycon: in 2020
- 817 Conferences (2018-2019)
 - 22 cosponsored by R8
 - 278 cosponsored by Sections
 - 204 cosponsored by Chapters/AG
 - 466 cosponsored by Societies/Councils
- 1 History Milestone (2018)

Awards received by R8 individuals or teams, 2018:

- 5 IEEE Medals (out of 22):
 - Founders Medal to Sir Robin Keith Saxby, ARM, London, UK
 - Maxwell Medal to David Flynn, University of Southampton, Cambridge, UK
 - Edison Medal to Ursula Keller, NCCR MUST, ETH Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland
 - Picard Medal to Richard Klemm (non-member), Fraunhofer Institute, Munich, Germany
 - Simon Ramo Medal to Harold Lawson, Lawson Konsult AB, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2 IEEE Technical Field Awards (out of 32):
 - James L. Flanagan speech and audio processing award to Hermann Ney, RWTH Aachen University of Technology, Aachen, Germany
 - Frank Rosenblatt award to Erkki Oja, Aalto University, Espoo, Finland
- 1 EAB award (out of 10)
- 4 MGAB awards (out of 19)
- IEEE YP Hall of Fame Award (for 6 years in a row)
- IEEE WIE Inspiring Student Member of the Year: honorable mention

Goals 2019-2020

- General: Support Vice Chairs, Sub Committees, and Africa Council
- Concrete goals:
 - Financial plan to support increased activities of Sub Committees
 - Membership including Students:
 - Consolidated the growth trend
 - Increase the retention
 - Continue focus on Students and YP
 - Support WIE SC
 - Focus on Humanitarian Activities
 - Technical Activities:
 - Closer to Industry
 - Revitalize chapters
 - Reinforce relations with IEEE Societies and Technical Councils.
 - Consolidate R8 flagship conferences
 - Increase the portfolio of financially and technically co-sponsored conferences.
 - Support Africa Council
 - Increase R8 visibility
 - Increase R8 member and OUs recognitions through IEEE level, MGAB and R8 awards

Sub Committees: 19

1. Action for Industry:

Marios Antoniou (Cyprus)
Mohamed Amin (Egypt)
John Matogo (Kenya)
Matej Pacha (Czechoslovakia)
Danilo Pau (Italy)

2. Awards and Recognitions:

Margaretha Eriksson (Sweden)
Costas Stasopoulos (Cyprus)
Jaafar M. Al Ibrahim (Saudi Arabia)
Igor Kuzle (Croatia)
Meriem Kilani (France)
Athanasios Skodras (Greece)

3. Chapter Coordination:

Albert Lysko (South Africa)
Matej Zajc (Slovenia)
Sara Ben Rabi (Tunisia)

4. Conference Coordination:

Ljupco Karazdinov (Macedonia)
Péter Nagy (Hungary)
Tomislav Capuder (Croatia)
Khaled Mokhtar (United Arab Emirates)

5. Educational Activities:

Stamatis Dragoumanos (Greece)
Christopher James (UK & I)
Mohamed El Dallal (Egypt)

6. Humanitarian Activities:

John Funso-Adebayo (Nigeria)
Alejandro Osana (Greece)
Amith Khandakar (Qatar)
Maria Alexandra Paun (Switzerland)

7. Membership Development:

Levgen Pichkalov (Ukraine)
Andrejs Romanovs (Latvia)
Tim Gitau (Kenya)
Matej Pacha (Czechoslovakia)

Sub Committees: 19

8. Nominations and Appointments:

Margaretha Eriksson (Sweden)
Magdalena Salazar Palma (Spain)
Antonio Luque (Spain)
Habib Kammoun (Tunisia)
Vera Markovic (Serbia and Montenegro)
Sergey Shaposhnikov (Russia North West)

9. Professional Activities:

Mohamed El Dallal (Egypt)
Jan Haase (Germany)

10. Standards:

David Law (UK & I)

11. History Activities

Tony Davies (UK & I)

12. Life Members:

Victor Fouad Hanna (France)

13. Strategic Planning:

Antonio Luque (Spain)
Magdalena Salazar Palma (Spain)
Margaretha Eriksson (Sweden)
Raphael Onoshakpor (Nigeria)
Sara Barros (Benelux)
Victor Fouad Hanna (France)
Simay Akar (Turkey)
George Papadimitriou (Greece)

14. Student Activities :

Maciej Borówka (Poland)
Efthymia Arvaniti (Austria)
Diogo Martins (Portugal)
Mohammad Hossein Babae (Portugal)
George Papadimitriou (Greece)
Rawane El Jamal (Lebanon)
Angela Martínez (Spain)
Paul Micallef (Malta)
Sara Ben Rabii (Tunisia)
Ahmed Al Omoush (Jordan)

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15. Women in Engineering:

Ana Cigarán Romero (Germany)
Youmna El-Bitar (Lebanon)
Hzar Oqlah (Jordan)
Ilhem Kallel (Tunisia)
Philippa Ngaju (Uganda)
Maria Alexandra Paun (Switzerland)

16. Young Professionals:

Vinko Lesic (Croatia)
Sara Barros (Benelux)
Almedin Kavaz (Bosnia & Herzegovina)
Inês Inácio (Benelux)
Manuel Ballesteros (Spain)
Aleks Dyskin (Israel)

17. Region Vitality:

Aleksandar Szabo (Croatia)
Andreas Koltes (Germany)

18. Finance:

Adam Jastrzebski (UK & I)
Antonio Luque (Spain)
Margaretha Eriksson (Sweden)
Andreas Koltes (Germany)

19. Publications and Communications:

Christopher James (UK & I)
George Michael (Cyprus)
Matej Zajc (Slovenia)
Alistair Dabbs (UK & I)
Stamatis Dragomaunos (Greece)
Dora Fourou (Greece)
Ana Maria Madureira (Portugal)
Miguel Marques (Portugal)

Thanks to all of you for serving R8 members!



Additional information provided by MGA

▶ **IEEE Support Center**

– URL: <https://supportcenter.ieee.org/app/answers/list/p/1975>

▶ **IEEE Membership**

– IEEE membership offers access to technical innovation, cutting-edge information, networking opportunities, and exclusive member benefits. URL: https://www.ieee.org/membership_services/index.html

▶ **IEEE Member Get a Member Program**

– URL: <https://www.ieee.org/membership/join/member-get-a-memer.html>

▶ **Gift of IEEE Membership**

-Help someone build a platform for success

-URL: <https://www.ieee.org/membership/join/gift.html>

▶ **IEEE Collabratec®**

– A research, collaboration and professional networking platform offered to members, researchers, authors and volunteers.

– URL: <https://ieee-collabratec.ieee.org>

▶ **IEEE Student Activities**

- URL: <https://students.ieee.org/>
- URL: <https://iee-collabratec.ieee.org/app/community/60/>

▶ **IEEE Young Professionals**

- URL: <https://yp.ieee.org/>
- URL: <https://iee-collabratec.ieee.org/app/community/20/>

▶ **IEEE Women in Engineering**

- URL: <https://wie.ieee.org>
- URL: <https://iee-collabratec.ieee.org/app/community/35/>

▶ **IEEE Life Membership**

- URL: https://www.ieee.org/societies_communities/geo_activities/life_members/ieee_life_membership.html

▶ **IEEE Geo Petitions**

- The geographic organizational units of IEEE that can be formed by petition are Councils, Sections, Subsections, Chapters, Affinity Groups, Student Branches, Student Branch Chapters, and Student Branch Affinity Groups.
- URL: https://www.ieee.org/communities/forms_petitions.html

MGA vTools - URL: <http://vtools.ieee.org>

- ▶ Events – used for creating and managing organizational unit events
- ▶ Officer Reporting – an online reporting tool that enables authorized volunteers to make modifications to the officer roster
- ▶ Voting – enables online officer elections organizational units
- ▶ WebInABox – a wizard-like tool to generate simple section/chapter/affinity group websites that are automatically updated
- ▶ Student Branch Reporting – Student Branches can submit annual plan

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- ▶ eNotice – an electronic newsletter subscription service that has been developed for IEEE organizational units to facilitate email distribution of newsletters, meeting notices, social events, and IEEE conference materials
- ▶ OU Analytics – a new visual business intelligence tool for volunteer access to member data.
- ▶ SurveyMonkey Apply/Fluid Review – a tool used to collect, organize and evaluate awards and nominations
- ▶ CheckBox – Survey tool
- ▶ Remote Conferencing and Screencasting – tools for conducting and recording remote or offline meetings

▶ **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**

- Overview

[URL:https://www.sites.ieee.org/gdpr](https://www.sites.ieee.org/gdpr)

▶ **IEEE Privacy Policy**

- [URL:https://www.privacy@ieee.org](https://www.privacy@ieee.org)

▶ **IEEE Mobile Apps**

- Your mobile gateway to IEEE. Apps are available at:

<https://www.ieee.org/mobile-apps/index.html>

▶ **IEEE TV**

- Video production services, and a streaming video platform that features content from IEEE members and events, including live-streamed broadcasts

- URL:<https://ieeetv.ieee.org>

▶ **IEEE Senior Member**

– URL: https://www.ieee.org/membership_services/membership/senior/index.html

▶ **IEEE Fellow Activities**

– URL: <https://www.ieee.org/fellows>

▶ **IEEE Center for Leadership Excellence (CLE)**

- ▶ The CLE is an online training resource targeting multiple audiences. Elected or appointed volunteers have access to Action Plans (checklists) in CLE, to help them perform in their roles. There are Action Plans available for 23 volunteer leadership roles across all the geographic units (e.g., Section, Student Branch, etc.). The CLE also targets those interested in the Volunteer Leadership Training Program (VoLT), and provides content for conference organizers.
- ▶ The CLE is part of IEEE members' benefits and it provides self-paced access to on-demand content. All IEEE members and volunteers can access the CLE using their IEEE Account.

URL: <https://iee-elearning.org/CLE>

► IEEE Net Suite

Primary bookkeeping tool where financial activity is captured by the Geographic Units

Net Suite Access:

<https://system.netsuite.com/pages/customerlogin.jsp?country=US>

Note: Not every volunteer has access to NetSuite. Access is granted on an as-needed basis

▶ **IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) Awards**

- Call for Nominations Deadline: April 1, 2019
- Visit: <https://wie.ieee.org/ieee-wie-awards-program/>

IEEE Foundation, Inc. - Apply for a Grant

- ▶ IEEE Foundation invites grant applications exclusively from IEEE organizational units (sections, regions, societies, affinity groups, student branches, and major boards)
- ▶ Projects must address the pre-defined theme identified by the IEEE Foundation
- ▶ Deadline is July 12, 2019
- ▶ Learn about the process and more. Visit <https://www.ieeefoundation.org/grants>

IEEE Humanitarian & Philanthropic

- ▶ Committed to advancing technology for the benefits of humanity through IEEE's diverse humanitarian and philanthropic programs
- ▶ To learn more, visit https://www.ieee.org/about/ieee-humanitarian-philanthropy.html?WT.mc_id=mb1_hp_dog17

IEEE Payment Manager Simplifies Conference Payments

- ▶ A new application to help facilitate disbursements for conference organizers
- ▶ Application allows the direct automated processing of domestic ACH payments for Concentration Banking (CB) users
- ▶ A web-based service replacing an email-based process
- ▶ Allows authorized signers on CB accounts to create conference payment requests
- ▶ Questions – contact MCE Business Operations & Intelligence team at conferencepayments@ieee.org

▶ **March 2019**

- 2019 half year membership dues began on 1 March for new joining members
- Arrears recovery e-mail series begins

▶ **April 2019**

- Fourth renewal notice will be mailed 1 April
- Arrears recovery e-mail continues through June 2019
- Senior Member Review Panel Meeting – 13 April, Princeton, N.J.

▶ **May 2019**

- WIE International Leadership Conference 23-24 May, Austin, Texas

▶ **June 2019**

- MGA Board Meeting – 20-22 June, Atlanta, GA, USA
- Senior Member Review Panel Meeting – 22 June, London, England

▶ **August 2019**

- 16 August – anyone joining IEEE becomes a member for the 2020 membership year
- Senior Member Review Panel Meeting – 10 August, Singapore, Singapore

▶ **September 2019**

- Renewing members will be able to access their 2020 renewal quote for membership and subscriptions on 3 September

▶ **October 2019**

- First renewal notice will begin mailing to members, non-members, and Society affiliates on 1 October
- IEEE Day – 1 October
- Fellow Committee Meeting – 4-5 October, Scottsdale, AZ, USA
- Senior member Review Panel Meeting – 5 October, Santiago, Chile

▶ **November 2019**

- MGA Board Meeting – 21-23 November, Boston, MA, USA
- Second renewal notice will be mailed to members on 18 November

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