

Jordan Section

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List the activities carried out to foster relations with Industry and the results obtained. List the initiatives planned during the next 6 months and their expected outcomes. How can the Region help your Section in your industry-related activities?

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 October.
- 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 has enable us to reach more industry members. The name of the merged conference is JEEIT 2019 and was held in April 9-11, 2019. JEEIT 2019 attracted 701 participants.
- We organize special workshops targeting engineers from industry such as Amman Metro Area Workshop. The third workshop of this series was held in April 2019 in conjunction with JEEIT 2019.

List the activities addressed to Students and/or Young Professionals and the results obtained. List the initiatives planned during the next 6 months and their expected outcomes. How can the Region help in your students and YP-related activities?

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 recently. Such new organizational units attract new members and hold additional activities.
- All affinity groups and chapters are conducting their elections in the coming few months. We hope that new blood helps in further advancing the section.

List the activities carried out to retain and recruit members and the results obtained. List the initiatives planned during the next 6 months and their expected outcomes. How can the Region help in your membership-related activities?

As mentioned above, Jordan Section has witnessed large increases in its membership. The section now is a large section with more than 1,500 members. We continue to improve the section's membership through the following:

- Conferences and workshops.
- Students and YP activities, events and congresses Jordan Section has received the IEEE Silver Medal for 2018 Outstanding Section Membership Recruitment Performance.

List the activities intended to support chapters, affinity groups, and student branches and the results obtained. List the related initiatives planned during the next 6 months and their expected outcomes. How can the Region help in your support to chapters, affinity groups, and student branches?

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.





