

## Norway 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 have established a new GRSS (Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society) chapter comprising 35+ members. Plan is to establish a GRSS Norway Student Chapter before years end.
- We are arranging bi-monthly telcos with national professional association Tekna where further collaboration opportunities are discussed. This has already resulted in joint workshops being arranged.

**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?**

Planned for 23 October 2019: Project Management Professional (PMP) workshop arranged by WIE and YP

**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?**

- Our MD officer participated in the IEEE R8 MD workshop in Vilnius, Lithuania June 21-22, 2019. This was valuable venue for exchange of ideas and best practice.
- The section has arranged a campaign to encourage members to apply to become senior members, as senior members are more likely to continue their memberships. This is an ongoing activity.

**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?**

- The Section ExCom meetings (where the section board and the chairs of all chapters and affinity groups meet) are our main platform for supporting the chapters, affinity groups, and student branches. These meetings are typical telcos lasting 1-1.5 hours. Our goal is to arrange these meetings bi-monthly.
- Section vitality is to a large degree dependent on active chapters. Some chapters show decreasing activity. Need to reach out to them to both assess the motivation of the chapter chairs and to ask if the section can provide some support.
- The term of the IEEE Norway Section chair will finish at the end of this year, and elections will be called before years end.