

South Africa 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?

Industrial visits and Technical talks within the section have been very useful in increasing relations with industry. Plans are being put in place to visit specific industries in South Africa to better understand how to define and improve relations.

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?

Our members and potential members of the IEEE in South Africa regularly engage in humanitarian activities, such as EPICS-in-IEEE and WiE initiatives. A number of Student branches are very active in addressing topics issues in the society. One of such was "Breaking the Stereotype" which was presented in August 2019 during Women's month in South Africa. These are some of the local value-add initiatives in South Africa. All these initiatives will continue during the next 6 months.

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?

A large push towards increasing the number of chapters/branches within the section to increase value for members. The specialized nature of chapters/branches allowed for focused value-add on an individual basis and increase the number of local conference hosts. On that note conferences have also been increasing and student branches are becoming more active with workshops and several events on IEEE Day pushed by the IEEE student branches. This course seems to work well for our members and thus we will continue to develop these types of activities.

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?

Visit to local chapters, setup more SIGHT groups, arrange professional talks and visits, EPICS-in-IEEE Projects and webinars.