Turkey 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?

In the Turkey Section, the Industry Relations Coordinator acts as a liaison between industry and the Section. This coordinator position has been instrumental to foster industry relations. It has been particularly useful to secure some sponsorship from the industry for locally organized IEEE conferences. For example, we just finished the organization of COMSOC’s prestigious PIMRC conference held last week at Istanbul. Turkey’s largest cellular operator Turkcell became the major financial supporter of this event. Other supporters include Ericsson, Huawei, Aselsan and Rohde-Schwarz.

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?

In the Turkey Section, the Student Activities Coordinator acts as an interface between the executive committee and student branches. This coordinator provides guidance to student branches, attends student branch meetings/congresses, and other related activities. Last month, we organized the third edition of Annual Senior Thesis Project competition open to IEEE Student Members. In collaboration with some industrial sponsors, we offered several prizes for the winners. Such activities aim to keep the student members engaged in our activities.

Our Section considers the Young Professionals Affinity Group as a key to continue the commitments of IEEE student volunteers after their graduation. In collaboration with YP, we recently launched Mentor - Mentee program where students are brought together with volunteer engineers for guidance and mentorshops on topics of mutual interest.

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?

There was not any particular activity for membership development. We plan to revive these activities after we recruited a new membership development coordinator.

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?

IEEE Turkey executive committee encourages all Technical Chapter Chairs to increase their activity level by organizing short courses/seminars, workshops and conferences in their expertise areas. We further provide administrative and technical support in their activities if required.