

Czechoslovakia 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?

Realized:

- Industry tours organized together with Student Branches
- Participation of industry in students conferences and workshops
- Action for Industry internships at NXP

Planned:

- Sponsorship and active involvement of the industry at conferences organized locally (more industry engagement)
- Action for Industry activities and internships promotion (AfI visibility and internships delivered)
- Follow-up meetings with industry representatives (new MoU for AfI)

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?

Realized:

- Student and YP conferences organized by student branches
- Professional competitions for high school and university students
- Student workshops and invited professional lectures
- Financial support of meetings rooms/labs of student branches
- Industry tours and students meeting with industry professionals

Planned:

- Workshops within IEEE Day (student and YP meetings with industrial partners and professional lectures)
- Industry tours and students meeting with industry professionals
- Best Paper Awards presented at the conference of PhD students

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? Realized:

- Technical sponsorship of professional conferences (section visibility at local events)
- Free membership for winners of student competitions
- Section Annual Meeting organized as a professional event (lab tour, joint reception, etc.)

Our section is organizing more than 50 events annually, including technical conferences, workshops, student competitions and other activities, which attract new members and engage current members.

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?

Realized:

- Periodic ExCom meetings with local chapters or student branches chairs
- Financial support of meetings rooms/labs of student branches

Planned:

- Launch of the new section and YP websites
- ExCom meetings with student branches.

Challenges (with a focus on what support is required from Region 8)

One of the essential activities of the IEEE is education support of young professionals. IEEE Region 8 offers IEEE YP grants; however, one-time or once-per-year activities have only limited impact.