South Africa Section

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?

1) Industrial road shows have been planned for 6 companies. The expected outcome includes increased participation of IEEE members within industry in local section activities, increased IEEE membership, co-funding for IEEE Projects within South Africa Section.

2) Collaborative projects with industry in IEEE Humanitarian Activities

3) Value add benefits ring fenced for IEEE members.

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?

Members of the ExCom will be delegated to work closely with IEEE Student Branches and Student Branch Councillors across the Section, with the aim of increasing support for local student branch activities.

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?

1) A series of talks have been planned and rolled out for 2020. The Series titled “Making IEEE work for you” is presented at regional and local conferences. So far, two talks were presented in January 2020 and potential volunteers recruited.

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?

1) Quarterly visits and meeting with affinity groups, student branches
2) Promoting IEEE HAC opportunities and projects
3) Promoting IEEE EAB funding and project opportunities
4) Working with chairs of chapter and societies to develop and manage year plans.
5) Working with all OUs to fill vacant volunteer positions

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

1) Revising Section Bylaws
2) Recruiting volunteers to vacant roles
3) Sharing recipe on industrial relations which has worked well in other Sections.