

Jordan Section Ala Khalifeh

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 signed an MoU with the ministry of energy that aims to provide training opportunities to IEEE students members and young professionals.
- We are currently in the process to sign other MoUs with other industrial partners in several fields (e.g. Telecommunication, IT)
- If we can get more information about the value the industry will obtain from joining the IEEE association.
- Get membership fees reduction to attract key people in the industry

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?

Jordan Section has witnessed large increases in its membership. The section now is a large section with more than 1,300 members, where more than 70% from them are young members. We attract and support students and young professionals through the following techniques:

- Coordinated with Jordan Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Fund
- JREEEF to lunch the internships for students and young professionals

Future plans:

- Set-Up new internships programs
- Coordinate with YP to lunch professional programs
- Host Distinguished lecturers and Professionals to cover Technical and Non-Technical topics.

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?

- We are working toward preparing inforgraphs that show the values of IEEE membership for students, technical chapters members and regular members.
- We are also conducting a feedback survey to get the members feedback on the section activities and performance and how it can be improved,

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?

- All chapters and affinity groups are actively conducting and planning virtual activities which may include seminars delivered by distinguished speakers, professors, people from the industry, etc. All these activities are virtual and taking place online due to the current pandemic situation.
- To expedite the process of setting up webex conference. Many of the events organizers complained that it takes time and they prefer to be able to setup the online conference faster than what it is now.

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

To offer the members more free technical conference and larger discounts. To increase the value of the memberships. To have more control on the registration fees for IEEE technically sponsored conference, especially that many of them are now virtual but the fees are not much reduced! as there is no control from IEEE on that. So many conferences are turning to be a money generating machines due to the low cost of the virtual conference compared with the physical ones.!!!