

R8 Awards and Recognitions Subcommittee

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Goals

According to R8 Operations Manual (OpMan) the R8 Awards and Recognitions (A&R) Subcommittee (SC) mission is to promote, recognize and reward excellence in the operations of Region 8 and its organizational units: Sections, Subsections, Chapters, Affinity Groups, Student Branches and Student Branch Chapters. R8 A&R SC also recognizes volunteer excellence.

The members of the R8 A&R SC are:

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| ● Magdalena Salazar Palma | Spain Section | Chair |
| ● Costas Stasopoulos | Cyprus Section | Member |
| ● Youmna El-Bitar | Germany Section | Member |
| ● Almedin Kavaz (YP) | Germany Section | Member |
| ● Ana Cigarán (WIE) | Germany Section | Member |
| ● Albert Lysko (Chapters) | South Africa Section | Member |
| ● Lee Crudgington (SA) | UK & Ireland Section | Member |
| ● Donia Amami (SVD) | Tunisia Section | Member |

The SC includes members from the relevant SCs: Young Professionals, Women in Engineering, Chapter Coordination, Student Activities, and Sections Vitality and Development.

Status

The SC first meeting was held on February 26, 2021. During the meeting the following discussions and decisions were taken:

- Establish a calendar of the various SC meetings to take place during 2021: at all R8 Committee meetings and a monthly meeting
- Compile a list of all R8 Awards (including R8 Subcommittees awards and recognitions)
- Establish and publicize a consistent Awards calendar encompassing **all** R8 Awards including the Student Paper Contest award.
 - Call for nominations issued by March 31
 - Deadline by June 30, except for the Student Paper Contest (December 1)
- Compile a R8 award history
- Prepare award certificate templates and include them in the R8 A&R SC manual.
- Decide on the content and signatures of each certificate with the scope of properly reflecting to whom and for which year of activity the award is given, and other relevant details
- Explore the use of just one platform/portal for all R8 Awards nominations
- Design an attractive R8 Awards web page
- Other goals to be achieved by the A&R SC as described in the Outlook Section of this report.

Outlook

Other goals to be achieved by the SC:

- Work out all details of the decisions taken and their implementation
- Revise the R8 Subcommittees awards and recognitions
- Review the official status of all R8 Awards with respect to MGA
- Define rules for the creation of new Awards, among them the recently suggested Life Members Award.
- Discuss how to nominate or/and encourage submissions from R8 members to MGA-level awards, EAB-level awards, SA awards, and IEEE-level awards: Medals, Recognitions, Technical Field, and Joint and External awards
- Revision of the R8 Bylaws and Operations Manual as they apply to R8 A&R Subcommittee
- Preparation of a A&R SC Operations Manual

Points of Concern

None

Proposals for improvements/Other Issues to report

None