

Romania Section

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Section Vitality

Please provide information about the date of last Section elections, date of next elections, and do you have the practice of Vice-Chair becoming the next Section Chair. Section ExCom meetings (list them and provide brief summary if appropriate). List the activities carried out to retain and recruit members and the results obtained.

The IEEE Romania Section organizes elections every two years, using the vtools platform. This can be seen here <u>https://ro-mania.ieeer8.org/about-us/history/</u>. We have the practice of supporting the executive committee members to be promoted, if possible, on all the committee positions. The nominated member for the Chair position eventually was volunteer as Treasurer, Secretary and/or Vice-Chair. All the members nominated for the executive committee have a good IEEE experience, either within one or several committee position, Chapter Chair or as conference organizer. Appropriate members are selected by analyzing their IEEE activity.

Students

List of Student Branches (SB) in your Section, the newly formed or dissolved SBs, if any since the last meeting reporting (Oct 2020). List the student meetings held and Section activities addressed to Students and Young Professionals.

The Student Branches from Romania Sections are: University Politehnica of Bucharest (UPB) University Politehnica of Timișoara (UPT) Technical University of Cluj-Napoca (UTCluj) Technical University "Gh. Asachi" of Iași (UTIasi) "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași (AIUIasi) University Lucian Blaga of Sibiu (ULB)

Most of there were created in the last years with the technical and financial support of the Section. The last SB was created in 2022 at ULB.

Example of meeting is the SBCs (UPB, UPT, UTCluj, UT Iasi, ULB) Summit at Sibiu within the ESTC conference https://www.estc-conference.net/home

Affinity Groups

List of Affinity Groups (YP, LM, WiE, SIGHT, etc.), list of SB AGs, newly formed or dissolved AGs/SB AGs, if any since the last meeting reporting (Oct 2020). List the activities intended to support affinity groups.

No new group was formed in Romania since the last meeting.

The Young Professionals Group was involved in organizing the "ENGINEER YOUR FUTURE!" 2021-2022 project meant to attract K15 students towards technical universities. <u>https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/287505</u>

Also, the YP Group was involved in the organization of the symposium "Career in the Power & Energy Industry Sector" <u>https://upb.ro/forum-cariera-in-industria-energetica-2022/</u>

Chapters

List of Chapters and SB Chapters in your Section, the newly formed or dissolved Chapters, if any since the last meeting reporting (Oct 2020). Indicate how many have reported on time and received rebate. Highlight some of the activities.

No new chapter was formed in 2022.



Industry

List the activities carried out to foster relations with Industry and the results obtained.

Out IEEE Industry Ambasador, Catalin Moisa, is a corresponding member of the Action for Industry Committee https://ieeer8.org/technical-activities/action-for-industry/about-afi/committee-organisation/action-for-industry-committee/ An IEEE R8 AFI event will be organized within the SIITME conference, where John Matogo, the AFI Chair will participate.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Highlight any diversity metrics (gender, age, religion, geographical, employment, etc.), new initiatives, best practices and progress around diversity and inclusion happening in your Section. Link to IEEE DEI statement <u><link></u>.

The Romania Section is open to promote women in engineering in Romania. Four women have been elected for the current mandate (2021-2022), https://romania.ieeer8.org/committee/section-committee/

The Section extended committee are chosen from the various regions of the country. There are 4 Membership Development Representative from the largest (university) cities from Romania,

Several women are Chapter Chair (IMS, CIS, YP, EMC, WIE)

The committee members are chosen based on their IEEE experience and their enthusiasm. Therefore, the Sections committee is form by young, middle-age, and older members.

Activities since the last report

Highlight some of the activities in your Section, with special attention to the things that work well, and things that don't, so that your acquired know-how can be used by other Sections.

The best activities that are gathering IEEE members and other specialists are the conferences.

The Summer School on Antenna and Propagation was this year at the third edition.

The "ENGINEER YOUR FUTURE!" 2021-2022 project designed for K12 is a unique event in Romania, intended to attract high school students towards technical universities.

The Student Competition TIE (Techniques of Interconnection in Electronics) is constantly supported by IEEE Romania Section.

The Education Chapter has organized several events meant to promote the e-learning and to attract K12 towards technical education. Example of event is https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/310694

Planned activities

Highlight some of the future activities and initiatives in your Section.

In the next months we are planning to organize elections for a new mandate.

Opportunity for creating new Chapters, Student Branches and Student Branch Chapters have been identified.

Implementation of Section Awards is in progress.

Events dedicated for Industry Initiatives are Planned.

Various international and local conference are planned.

How Region 8 can be of help to your Section, members, and activities

List any challenges you Section is facing and what support is required from the Region 8. Please, also, give us your suggestions for agenda items that you want to be discussed during the R8 Committee meeting.

No special help is needed.



Any other issues of interest

The Romania Section was registered three years ago with the Romania authorities under the name IEEE Romania Members. This allows us to execute financial transactions at national level, besides the Concentration Banking Program.