Chapter Coordination Committee (ChCC)  

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Goals
The following goals for Chapter Coordination Committee were approved for Year 2023:

1. Monitoring current state of IEEE Region 8 Chapters.
   - New Chapters. Promote the formation of new chapters based on data from OU units and liaisons with Sections. KPI: 2 reports
   - Inactive Chapters. Facilitate Sections and Societies / Councils to revitalize inactive chapters. KPI: 2 reports

2. Collecting and promoting best practices relevant to opening, revitalizing and running successful Chapters. KPI:
   - Organization of Annual Chapter Panorama event

3. Organization of the R8 ChCC awards ceremony. KPI:
   - Revision of awarding procedure (1 awarding procedure)
   - 1st announcement of Year Best awards (direct mails to section and chapter chairs, e-notice, facebook news)
   - 2nd announcement of Year Best awards (direct mails to section and chapter chairs, e-notice, facebook news)
   - R8 ChCC awards evaluation

4. R8 Chapter Chairs training. KPI:
   - 1 Chapter Chair Training & MD Coordination Training in the beginning of 2023
   - 1 Speech on Region event
   - 1 Chapter Panorama
   - 1 Chapter Chair Training & MD Coordination Training in the beginning of 2024

Progress against goals since the last report

1. Monitoring current state of R8 Chapters:
   - Report on potential chapters in R8 is made as analysis of IEEE R8 growth
   - Report on chapters vitality in R8 is made as analysis of IEEE R8 activity level

2. Collecting and promoting best practices relevant to opening, revitalizing and running successful Chapters:
   - Planned Chapter Panorama event at Q4 2023.

3. Organization of the R8 ChCC awards ceremony:
   - Performed two announcement of 2023 Year Chapter Awards Call among Technical and Student Branch Chapters
   - Received 44 application for nomination in three categories of Technical Chapters and Student Branch Chapters
   - Performed Best Chapter evaluation and chosen winners in Small, Miiddle, Large categories for Technical Chapters and Student Branch Chapters.
   - Collected notes, comments, suggestions for awarding procedure improvement for 2024

4. R8 Chapter Chairs training:
   - Planned Chapter Panorama on Q4 2023. Development of the program of Panorama is in the progress.
   - Planned Chapter Chair Training & MD Coordination Training in the beginning of 2024 In collaboration with the MD committee.
The 121th IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting

Ottawa, Canada, 11 August 2023

- Performed a call for hosting for annual Chapter Leadership Training in collaboration with the MD committee.
- Received hosting applications have been evaluated and a place for Chapter Leadership Training 2024 has been selected.

5. Others:
- Proposal on Speech on Region event in Africa for promotion of new chapter establishment and management, as training event has been held in Europe. Proposed special sessions “Everything You Would Like to Know About the Activities of the IEEE Chapter” for IEEE R8 NASYP, IEEE AFRICON 2023 events.

R8 Chapter Coordination Statistics & Trends

Overall status:
- 43059 members of Societies
- 646 Active Chapters
- 611 Active Student Branch Chapters

Trend in comparison with the last report:
- + 5984 members of Societies
- - 2 Technical Chapters
- + 52 Student Branch Chapters

Top Societies in R8 by July 2023

Top 5 Sections with largest Chapter number:
- Tunisia Section - 155 Chapters
- Turkey Section - 115 Chapters
- United Kingdom and Ireland Section - 72 Chapters
- Italy Section - 51 Chapters
- Egypt Section - 50 Chapters

Top 5 Societies with largest R8 member number:
- IEEE Computer Society - 149 Chapters incl. 100 Student Branch Chapters
- IEEE Power and Energy Society - 156 Chapters incl. 108 Student Branch Chapters
- IEEE Robotics and Automation Society - 102 Chapters incl. 77 Student Branch Chapters
- IEEE Industry Application Society - 109 Chapters incl. 72 Student Branch Chapters
- IEEE Communication Society - 94 Chapters incl. 27 Student Branch Chapters

IEEE Region 8 Chapters of the Year Awards Winners for 2023
IEEE Region 8 has over 1000 technical Chapters and Student Branch Chapters running exciting technical events and connecting the members to the resources of Societies, Sections and the Region. Every year, all these Chapters have the opportunity to apply for the IEEE Region 8 “Chapter of the Year Award”.

**Winning Technical Chapters in 2023 awards (for 2022 efforts):**

- **R8 Chapter of the Year Award – Large:** Tunisia Section Industry Applications Society Chapter
- **R8 Chapter of the Year Award – Medium:** Spain Section Electron Devices Chapter
- **R8 Chapter of the Year Award – Small:** Tunisia Section Education Society Chapter

**Winning Student Branch Chapters (SBC) in 2023 awards (for 2022 efforts):**

- **R8 Student Branch Chapter of the Year Award – Large:** ENISo Student Branch Industry Applications Society Chapter, Tunisia Section
- **R8 Student Branch Chapter of the Year Award – Medium:** Yarmouk University Computer Society Student Branch Chapter, Jordan Section,
- **R8 Student Branch Chapter Award – Small:** Ss Cyril & Methodius University in Skopje SSCS Student Branch Chapter, North Macedonia Section

**Chapter Panorama**

The Chapter Panorama includes Chapter basic principles, selected Societies talks, best practices from Best Chapter awardees, thus linking Societies and Sections/Student Branches, educating Chapter volunteers and inspiring prospective Societies and IEEE Members, ensuring enhanced technical interests within Region 8.

Chapter Coordination Committee plans to organize the annual virtual two day-long event - Chapter Panorama in Q4 2023. During the event the best practices of R8 Chapters of the 2023 year will be shared and promoted from Awarded Best Student Branch and Technical Chapters Chairs or representatives. Moreover, the special talks on some basics on IEEE and chapter activities will be presented.

As the second Chapter Panorama issue was a very inspiring and a successful event ensuring enhanced technical interests with the region, we plan to continue this great tradition.

**Chapter Chair Training & MD Coordination Training**

Chapter Coordination Committee in the close end synergic collaboration with Membership Development Committee plan to organize the common training event for Chapters chairs and Section and MD chairs. Both committees are thankful for all applications for event hosting in Q1 2024. During the planned training will be presented the main trends and news of IEEE Region 8, as well as the training on technical activities for Chapters chairs, Section and MD chairs. The special attention will be given to the importance of the advanced skills in the IEEE tools (vTools, IEEE OU Analytics). The special value of training is development of the Activities Plans for Chapters and MD actions based on gained knowledge and shared best practices.
We are also thankful for the active involvement in Training efficiency evaluation to all participants, especially for shared information on developed Activities Plans performance progress.

**Points of Concern & Proposals for improvements**

To stimulate new chapter establishment the Chapter Coordination Committee has proposed a new category for Chapter Awarding - 2024 Year Best awards for Society Chapters and 2024 Year Best awards for Student Branch Chapters: the newly established chapter. Moreover, to simplify the application and evaluation procedure the procedure of Best Chapter Awarding will be revised in accordance with evaluation committee comments, notes and suggestions.

To promote new chapters establishment and efficient Chapters management, enhance Societies involvement into chapters activities in Region 8, share best practices from Best Chapter awardees, the Chapter Coordination Committee has proposed special talks, speeches, sessions on regional events, especially on the flagship conferences. In 2023 special attention could be given to Africa and Middle East regions, as Chapter Chair Training & MD Coordination Training has been held in the European part of IEEE Region 8.