

## Czechoslovakia section

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### Section Vitality

Last elections: 1.12.2022

Next elections (plan): 1.12.2023

We have the practice of vice-chair to chair transitions, however this year we have a new chair who was just a regular ExCom member last year, and thus the previous chair is helping as a vice-chair.

### List of ExCom meetings:

09/2022 – hybrid / Brno, Czechia

12/2022 – Annual Meeting & 30th Anniversary Celebration, in-person, Prague, Czechia

03/2023 – hybrid / Brno, Czechia

06/2023 – hybrid / Prague, Czechia

09/2023 – hybrid (planned)

In summary, the ExCom discusses TCS applications, budgetary, chapters operations, SBs operations. Last year we also updated our promotional items.

### *Activities to retain/recruit members:*

No dedicated activities carried out. Those activities are joined with technical/professional events, if possible. However, no metrics/tracking is done.

### Students

#### *Student branches and their activities:*

- CTU Prague, Czechia – lacking students and volunteers, but active
  - The 10th Prague Embedded Systems Workshop (PESW 2022) - Student posters, 07/2022
  - IEEE CTU Student Branch Meeting, 04/2023
- Technical Univ. of Kosice, Slovakia:
  - Seminar 'Real-World Cloud and Edge Development', 03/2023
- Univ. of Zilina, Slovakia:
  - PhD Student Paper Contest, 03/2023
- VUT Brno, Czechia:
  - SB is not active, the SB chair left the university without continuity

Potential plan to create a student branch in Pilsen, Czechia (planned)

### Affinity Groups

- Young Professionals AG – active affinity group

#### *List the activities intended to support affinity groups:*

- The 10th Prague Embedded Systems Workshop (PESW 2022) - Student poster Session, Horoměřice u Prahy, Czechia, 07/2022
- 2022 International Conference on Diagnostics in Electrical Engineering (Diagnostika) - Best Student's Paper Competition, ZCU Pilsen, Czechia, 09/2022
- Trends and challenges of today's education in electrical engineering, electronics, and informatics, CTU in Prague, Czechia, 12/2022
- SVOC FEL ZCU V PLZNI, ZCU Pilsen, Czechia, 04/2023
- Life Members AG – newly established AG in 2021
  - Report from LMAG R8, 10/2022
  - LM AG meeting, 12/2022

### **Chapters**

In 2022, 11 chapters reported 50 technical, 6 professional, 1 nontechnical, and 2 administrative activities. A detailed description of these events can be found in vTools.

### **Industry**

No event done directly with Industry.

### **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**

DEI activities are not managed particularly, since our section is lacking volunteers and officers.

### **Activities since the last report**

- CS Section ExCom meeting, 06/2023, Prague, Czechia.
- Cross-border activity with Austria Section: IEEE ComSoc Distinguished Lecturers Tour by Prof. Dr. Wahab Almuhtadi, Canada – Graz/Austria, Bratislava/Slovakia, Brno/Czechia.
- Open Access Hybrid Event for Slovakia, Bratislava/Slovakia.
- 56th Seminar 'Regular meeting of microwave technology enthusiasts', Prague, Czechia; and other SB activities.

### **Planned activities**

- Regular ExCom meetings continue in hybrid mode to reduce the need for travels. Annual meeting celebrating the 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary of our Section is planned for Dec 2023.
- Preparation of renewal of MoU between IEEE/IEEE ComSoc and sister organization – Radioengineering Society in progress, with planned joint event organizations such as joint graduate/PhD student seminars and industrial speaker talks.

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

### **Any other issues of interest**