Turkiye Section

Tuncer Baykas

Section Vitality

The last section elections were held in Dec. 2021. Next section elections will be held in Dec. 2023. We do not have a tradition of Vice-Chair becoming chair.

The ExCom is composed of the section chair, vice-chair, secretary, treasurer, and two members-at-large. We communicate mostly through messaging apps and informal Zoom meetings to improve efficiency.

Students

We have 560 student and 211 graduate student members amounting to 771 students in Turkey Section. Close to half of our members are students. These students come from 84 Student Branches (STBs). There are also 93 Student Branch Chapters (SBCs) and 29 Student Branch Affinity groups (SBAs). 46 of STBs have submitted their annual plan for 2023:

1. Abdullah Gul University, STB99385
2. Ankara Science University, STB99114
3. Atatürk University, STB15138
4. Balıkesir Üniversitesi, STB19031
5. Baskent University, STB60701
6. Bilkek University, STB29941
7. Bogazici Univ, STB11181
8. Cankaya University, STB63721
9. Celal Bayar University, STB10005
10. Dogus Universitesi, STB63971
11. Dokuz Eylul Univ, STB34991
12. Ege Universitesi (Aegean), STB96601
13. Erciyes University, STB61891
14. Erzincan Binali Yıldırım University, 1-84ETV19
15. Eskisehir Technical University, STB31741
16. Gazı Univ, STB31681
17. Gaziantep Univ, STB35941
18. Gebze Technical University, STB20141
19. Hacettepe Univ, STB11201
20. Istanbul Kultur Universitesi, STB06301
21. Istanbul Medipol University, STB15159
22. Istanbul Technical Univ, STB96101
23. Istanbul Univ-Cerrahpasa, STB31691
24. Izmir Inst of Tech, STB11221
25. Izmir Katip Celebi University, STB03106
26. Izmir University of Economics, STB05031
27. Kadir Has University, STB62481
28. Karadeniz Technical Univ, STB64941
29. KUTAHYA Dumlupinar University, STB63961
30. MEF University, STB15137
31. Middle East Tech Univ, STB14401
32. Middle East Technical University - Northern Cyprus, STB00191
33. Mugla Sitki Kocman University, STB20237
34. Namik Kemal Universitesi, STB11460
35. Ondokuz Mayis University, STB11753
36. Ozyegin University, STB08281
37. Piri Reis University, STB60064095
38. Sabanci University, STB61751
39. Sutcu Imam University, STB64951
40. T.C. Mehmet Akif Ersoy University, STB10160
41. TED University, STB11692
42. Trakya University, STB64961
43. Uludag Univ, STB31801
44. University of Turkish Aeronautical Association, STB13151
Since Sep. 2022, 2 new STBs and 5 new SBCs were formed:

1. Erzincan Binali Yildirim University, STB60209689
2. Piri Reis University, STB60064095
3. Dokuz Eylul Univ, PE31
4. Dokuz Eylul Univ, PEL35
5. Gaziantep Univ, PEL35
6. Sutcu Imam University, PEL35
7. Uskudar University, CI6

Affinity Groups
We have YP, WIE, SIGHT and LM affinity groups

SBAs
We have 24 Student Branch Affinity groups (SBAs). 5 SBAs were dissolved.

Chapters
We have in total 14 chapters. COMSOC and CS chapters organized their respective MS Thesis Competitions again. Besides CS (52 events/meetings including student events), COMSOC, AP/ED/MTT/EMC joint chapter, AP, and AES chapters were quite active. COMSOC organized the 4th IEEE Turkey ComSoc Summit. AES organized 4 interviews with industry executives.

We held elections for one chapter.

Planned Activities
We will have a face-to-face ceremony for IEEE Turkey Science and Service Awards. The awards are:

- Doctoral thesis awards (usually 5 of them are awarded)
- Research incentive award (usually 3 of them are awarded)
- Exceptional service award (only 1 awarded)
- Life-long achievement award (only 1 awarded)

We have had these awards since 2017. The award committees include IEEE fellows and other professors from Turkey and abroad. We hope to continue this tradition for many years to come. We also hope to continue organizing TUAC and CSCON every year. Our YP AG also has planned activities.

How Region 8 can be of help to your Section, Members, and Activities
Region 8 is great. Just keep it up.

Any Other Issues of Interest
N/A.