

## Turkiye Section

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### 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. *Ataturk University, STB15138*
4. *Balikesir Universitesi, STB19031*
5. *Baskent University, STB60701*
6. *Bilkent 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 Yildirim University, 1-84ETV19*
15. *Eskisehir Technical University, STB31741*
16. *Gazi 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*

45. *Yeditepe University, STB62491*
46. *Yildiz Technical Univ, STB34921*

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, C16*

### **Affinity Groups**

We have YP, WIE, SIGHT and LM affinity groups

### **SBA**s

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.