

Tunisia Section

Abir Abid, Secretary Ilhem Kallel, Past Chair Habib M. Kammoun, Chair

Section Vitality

- Date of last Section election: September December 2022
- Date of next Section election: September December 2024
- Vice-Chair becomes Section Chair in the next term
- 2023 onsite Section Committee Meetings:
 - 13-14 May 2023 <<u>link</u>> (5 Section officers, 3 Vice-Chairs (TA, MA, SA), 34 Chapters/Groups chairs, 25 Appointed volunteers)
 - 17-19 December 2023 <<u>link</u>> (5 Section Officers, 3 ViceChairs (TA, MA, SA), 34 Chapters/Groups Chairs,43 Appointed volunteers).







Membership Development during 2023 and January 2024 for StM





Membership Recruitment progress towards Goal (by January 2024)

• Technical challenges during TSYP 2023:

BIOTI'2023: Best Project JoT and Industry 4.0	Image: Section Image: Section 2023 TSYPII Student Activities Committee (SAC) Challenge	STAR Program Challenge: Bridging Knowledge Gaps for Rural Women and girls
IEEE CAS & CRFID Tunisia Technical Challenge	IEEE SAC Tunisia Challenge	IEEE WIE Tunisia Affinity Group Technical Challenge
Eteroretic State Sold-State Turisia Chapter Echnovation PCB-PM		Verse Computer Tunisia Chapter Deep-fake Forensics Challenge
IEEE SSCS Tunisia Technical Challenge	IEEE SIGHT Tunisia & IEEE R8 Entrepreneurship Technical Challenge	IEEE CS and YP Tunisia Technical Challenge
Human Exploration Rover Challenge (HERC)	HealthTech Innovations for Enhanced Remote Patient Care.	Example InnovateSafe Road
IEEE AESS Tunisia Technical Challenge	IEEE EMBS Tunisia Technical Challenge	IEEE RAS Tunisia Technical Challenge
IAS TUNISIA SECTION CHAPTER Digital Sustainability	Education Society Tunisia Chapter Understanding Student Well-being: A Holistic Approach	Coptimizing and Enhancing the Educational Robot
IEEE IAS Tunisia Technical Challenge	IEEE SMC and EdSoc Tunisia Technical Challenge	IEEE PES and IES Tunisia Technical Challenge





• TOP 10 Tunisian teams (in top 600 worldwide) in the IEEE Xtreme

Rank ‡ Team ‡	Score (Penalty) ‡	University ‡
1 (32) 🙆 KALIYUGA	1614.19 (4370)	Nat'l Inst of Applied Sci & Tech (INSAT)
2 (39) 🙆 eBsilong	1492.98 (3680)	Higher Institute of Computer Science (ISI)
3 (58) 🙆 VertexCover	1347.65 (6779)	Nat'l Inst of Applied Sci & Tech (INSAT)
4 (283) 🙆 KMC	1013.03 (2386)	Higher Institute of Computer Science (ISI)
5 (308) 🙆 EPTimization	983.46 (4310)	Higher Institute of Computer Science (ISI)
6 (326) 🙆 DigaDiga	959.02(3898)	Higher Institute of Computer Science (ISI)
7 (373) 🙆 SupDream	908.91 (4047)	Higher School of Communication of Tunis (Sup'Com)
8 (417) 🙆 Zolaatt	856.64(11217)	H I Informatics & Mathematics of Monastir (ISIMM)
9 (532) 🙆 KFC	760.88(6283)	Nat'l Inst of Applied Sci & Tech (INSAT)
10 (589) 💿 Hamas	705.65(4541)	Nat'l School of Engineering of Sousse (ENISo)

Students

List of Student Branches (SB) in Tunisia Section: 45 Student Branches:

- ENET'Com	- FSB	- ISIMa
- ENI Carthage	- FSS	- ISIMM
- ENIB	- FST	- ISIMS
- ENIG	- IHE-ESPITA	- ISSAT Mateur
- ENIM	- IIT	- ISSAT Sousse
- ENIS	- INAT	- ISTIC
- ENISo	- INSAT	- Polytech Monastir
- ENIT	- ISET Bizerte	- Polytech Sfax
- ENSI	- ISET Djerba	- Polytech Sousse
- ENSIT	- ISET Kairouan	- SESAME
- ENSTAB	- ISET Rades	- SMU
- EPI Sousse	- ISET'Com	- Sup'Com
- ESPRIT	- ISGI Sfax	- TEK-UP
- ESSTHS	- ISI	- ULT

New SBs:

- Manouba School of Engineering MSE
- Higher Institute of Computer Science Multimedia Gabes ISIMG
- ESPIN









134 Student Branch Chapter

Annual congress for Students: IEEE Tunisian SYP Congress (over 1,000 participants) https://tsyp.ieee.tn/

- 10th TSYP congress, 19-22 December 2022, Sousse
- 11th TSYP congress, 18-20 December 2023, Yassmine Hammamet





The 122th IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting

Affinity Groups

- Tunisia Young Professionals Affinity group <u>https://yp.ieee.tn/</u>
- Tunisia Women in Engineering Affinity group https://wie.ieee.tn/
- Tunisia SIGHT group https://sight.ieee.tn/
- Tunisia Consultants Network Affinity group

List of affinity groups activities:

- IEEE WIE Non-Technical Challenge during TSYP 2023
- IEEE WIE Congress of Tunisia 2.0
- IEEE YP Technical Challenge during TSYP 2023 in conjunction with Computer Tunisia Chapter
- SIGHT Project with Egypt section : Seawater desalination
- InnoX: Technical boot-camp in collaboration with SIGHT Egypt



31 WIE Student Affinity Groups: 69% of student branches have their WIE groups

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- ENET'Com

- ENI Carthage
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- ENIT
- ENSI

ENSTAB
EPI Sousse
ESPRIT
ESSTHS
FST
IIT

ENSIT

- INAT
- INSAT

ISET Bizerte _ **ISET Rades** _ ISET'COM _ _ ISI ISIMa _ ISIMS _ **ISSAT Mateur** _ **ISSAT Sousse** _ Sup'Com ULT

New WIE Student Affinity Groups:

-FSS -ISTIC

-SMU

6 SIGHT groups:

-ENIT	-ISSAT Sousse
-ESPRIT	-ISI
-ISIMM	-ESSTHS



The 122th IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting http://march-2024.ieeer8.org/ Vienna, Austria, 2–3 March 2024

30 Chapters

-	AESS	-	EMBS	-	RAS
-	APS	-	GRSS	-	RLS
-	Biometrics	-	IAS	-	RFID
-	CAS	-	IES	-	SEN
-	CEDA	-	ITS	-	SMCS
-	CIS	-	MTTS	-	SPS
-	Computer	-	NANO	-	SSCS
-	ComSoc	-	OES	-	SYS
-	CSS	-	PELS	-	TEMS/SSIT
-	Education	-	PES	-	VTS

Some Tunisia Technical Chapters activities:

SSCS Chapter - Theoretical part of 2 trainings by ACTIA engineers Nov - Dec (24 hours / training):





SMC Chapter - GTC community watch parties: Training sessions



Education - Creative Writing and Social Action Course:







Distinguished Lecturer Invitation:











Keynote 2 : Dipankar Dasgupta

IEEE Fellow, NAI Fellow, Professor of Computer Science & Director of Center for Information Assurance, University of Memphis, USA



Industry

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

- Workshop by IEEE Tunisia Tunisia about the importance of Community and associative activities To prepare and during IT Career in 17 and 18 Mars 2023



- Partnership of IEEE Tunisia section and IEEE partner NOVATION CITY to IEEE R8
- Webinar on « intelligent industry » 27 Mai 2023
- Participation of IEEE Tunisia Section at the B2B event TDS Tunisia Digital Summit 21 and 22 June 2023 organized by Tunisie Place de Marché and its partners IEEE Tunisia Section was glad to be partner through E-Mobility Hackathon https:// www.tdsconference.tn/tds-hackathon/ (More than 1500 Participants)



- 10 days BOOTCAMP on AI Special offers for IEEE Tunisia Section (Partnership with Clevory Training) -28 August- 8 September 2023
- Organization of Panel on "IEEE BLOCKCHAIN AROUND THE WORLD & AFRICA HIGHLIGHT" during TSYP'2023 on 19 December 2023: Invitation of local guest speakers from IEEE blockchain Tunisia and industry – Pr Mohamed Hamdi. Cybersec Expert at Arab ICT organization and IEEE Blockchain Tunisia co-founder and Mr Tarek Kammoun. CEO K2LIS.
- Industrial panel in Afro-Mediterranean Conference on Artificial Intelligence





Job Fair during TSYP 2023: Representative from companies during such as: Orange, Amazon, Cisco, Meta, CRIM, Telnet, Hive12, Nvidia, Smoft



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>.

IEEE Tunisia Section ensures a good equilibrium of the percentage of female members and volunteers as well as geographic distribution.



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.



Conferences:

- 20-23 September 2023: International Conference on Innovations in Intelligent Systems and Applications (INISTA)
- 27-29 September 2023: IFIP/IEEE International Conference on Performance Evaluation and Modeling in Wired and Wireless Networks (PEMWN)
- 3-5 October 2023: International Conference on Cyberworlds (CW)
- 12-14 October 2023: IEEE International Conference on Artificial Intelligence & Green Energy (ICAIGE)
- 30 October -1 November 2023 : 22nd Mediterranean Microwave Symposium (MMS)
- 1-3 November 2023 : IEEE Tenth International Conference on Communications and Networking (ComNet)
 1-4 November 2023 : IEEE International Conference on Design, Test and Technology of Integrated Systems
- (DTTIS) - 2-5 November 2023: IEEE International Workshop on Mechatronic Systems Supervision (IW MSS)
- I-3 December 2023: IEEE Third International Conference on Signal, Control and Communication (SCC)
- 13-15 December 2023 : IEEE Afro-Mediterranean Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AMCAI)
- 16-18 December 2023 : 14th International Renewable Energy Congress (IREC)
- 18-20 December 2023: IEEE 11th International Conference on Systems and Control (ICSC)
- 21-23 December 2023 : IEEE International Conference Challenges and Innovations on TIC (I2CIT)

Tunisia Section Accountability platform as PFA projects:

Recognition of the accountability platform developers team during TSYP11 Congress



Agreement IEEE Tunisia Section & Honoris United Universities in Tunisia:





Meeting the 2023 IEEE President, Pr. Saifur Rahman, talk entitled "Role of the Smart Grid and Microgrid in Decarbonization" which was held during The 14th International Renewable Energy Congress (IREC2023):







Activities in Montreal - Canada (before IEEE Sections Congress): IEEE senior and student members, from the Tunisia Section, were welcomed by the CCCT Chambre de Commerce Canado-Tunisienne on August 9, 2023, and by the Computer Research Institute of Montreal, CRIM, in Montreal-Canada to discuss future collaboration opportunities.





IEEE Student paper contest during TSYP 2023:

- 17 submissions
- Winner Award: Mahdi Hadj Sassi, ENSIT SB
- Runner-Up Award: Aziz Amari, IEEE INSAT SB



Implementation of the data science aspect for the U-BooK application

Hadj Sassi Mahdi Supervised by M.Tarek Ben Mena Faculty Of Science Of Bizerte IT Department mahdihadjsassi@ieee.org

2023 international Received Awards:

- 2023 WIE Student Affinity Group of the Year Award
- 2023 SSCS Chapter of the Year Award
- IAS CMD Chapter Web Contest 2023
- 3rd prize in the Global Mentoring Program Contest 2023
- Finalist Memorial SBC in the SBC Competition
- IEEE Volt program 2022 Graduation award
- 2023 IEEE WIE Inspiring Student Member of the year Award
- Computer Society 20 in their 20s Honoree Recognition
- Winners of the 2023 Arab IoT & AI Challenge Finals in University Teams Track
- 3rd place in the IEEE R8 AI Doctorate Symposium
- Most Inspiring IEEE Region 8 SIGHT Day 2023 Celebration
- 2023 IEEE Region 8 Student Affinity group of the year Award.
- 2023 Region 8 Outstanding Women in Engineering Student Volunteer Award.
- 2023 IEEE Region 8 Student Branch Chapter of the year (Large) Award
- 2023 IEEE Region 8 Student Branch SIGHT of the year Award
- 2023 IEEE Region 8 Chapter the year (Large) Award
- 2023 Region 8 chapter of the year Award (small category)
- EDUCON'2022 IEEE iCON for outstanding achievement in conference innovation
- 2023 IEEE Education Society Chapter Achievement Award
- ESPRT SB Silver category Darrel Chong Student Activity Award for the remarkable success of TSYP 10th edition in conjunction with YPS'22
- ENET'Com SB Bronze category Darrel Chong Student Activity Award for the remarkable success of TSYP 10th edition in conjunction with YPS'22

Granted Awards by Tunisia section for its units and volunteers, on December of each year:

- 3 Outstanding Student Branch Awards (categories: Large, medium and Small)
- Outstanding Student Branch Chapter Award
- Outstanding WIE Student Affinity Group Award
- Outstanding Chapter award
- Outstanding Achievement Award
- Rising Star Awards



Planned Conferences, Schools and Congresses:

- 27-29 April, 2024: IEEE International Conference on Advanced Systems and Emergent Technologies (IC ASET)
- 3-5 May, 2024: IEEE 15th Int. Colloquium on Logistics and Supply Chain Management (LOGISTIQUA)
- 19-21 May, 2024: IEEE 4th International Maghreb Meeting of the Conference on Sciences and Techniques of Automatic Control and Computer Engineering (MI-STA)
- 17-19 July, 2024: IEEE 28th International Conference on Intelligent Engineering Systems 2024 (INES 2024)
- 18-21 July, 2024: Summer School on Intelligent Transportation Systems: Theory and Applications (ITTA'2024)
- 18-20 September, 2024: IEEE 8th Forum on Research and Technologies for Society and Industry Innovation (RTSI)
- 9 November 2024: Meeting with the 2024 IEEE President
- 16-18 December, 2024: TSYP'12

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

The Tunisia section faces a problem of membership retention of students after graduation. The professional membership fees are very high compared to the local salaries. The 50% discount (minimum income option) of the traditional membership fee is not sufficient and the electronic membership fee is higher compared to the membership fee with this discount. It is important to review the professional membership fee according to the GNI for each country.

Any other issues of interest