

# **Norway Section**

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## Section Vitality

The last election for the term 2023-2025 was held in February 2023. The elected/appointed officers are listed under the Executive Committee (ExCom) of the section's website. According to the section's bylaws, the next election is foreseen during the first quarter of 2025. Norway Section had one preliminary meeting and one extraordinary meeting.

IEEE Norway Section - General Meeting was held in Jan 2024. Besides that, several section meetings and events have been held according to the meeting plan of the section in the last year.

## Students

The SBs are inactive and not many activities have been organized recently. A new student chapter is currently being formed.

## Affinity Groups

IEEE Norway Information Theory Society Chapter Meeting and ITSoc Norway Chapter have organized the meetings in 2024 and 2023 respectively. IEEE EPS Nordic Chapter organized a Distinguished Lecture in June 2023. Women in Engineering is activated in 2023.

## Chapters

Two new professional chapters are created (IEEE Norway Section Signal Processing Society Chapter and IEEE Norway Section Communications Society Chapter).

## Industry

Industrial visit tour and workshop at Volvo CE (Eskiltuna, Sweden) was organized by Sweden and Norway Jt Section Chapter (RL07)

## **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**

Currently, no specific DEI officer is appointed for the section; DEI-related issues are more or less handled by the section's ExCom. The WIE affinity group is the most active group in the section that works on the improvement of gender inequality in the section (which is not specific to the section).

#### Activities since the last report

An overview of the main activities is provided on the Past Events & Activities page on the <u>section's website</u>. 37 different activities were conducted that includes webinars, industry visits, workshops and lectures by different chapters. In addition, a number of other events are endorsed by IEEE Norway Section. A dedicated session on application to senior membership was held in conjunction with IEEE General meeting.

#### Planned activities

We have been endorsing some of the technical conferences (8th <u>Workshop on Molecular Communications</u> in Oslo, Norway and 12<sup>th</sup> Colour and Visual Computing Symposium 2024 (<u>CVCS 2024</u>), Gjøvik, Norway). Various webinars will be planned for 2024.

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

There is no significant growth in membership. The student branches need to be activated.

#### Any other issues of interest

The website needs to be reactivated and updated with all the activities.