

IEEE Region 8

IEEE Computer Society Driving Member Engagement in New Ways

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IEEE Computer Society — A Global Reach

Connecting members worldwide, the Computer Society empowers the people who advance technology by helping individuals achieve goals at all stages of their professional careers.



375,000+
Community members

157
Countries

936
Global Chapters

30
Technical
Communities

2021-2025 Computer Society Strategic Plan Outline

Goal 1



Engage More Students and Early Career Professionals

Goal 2



Engage More Industry Individuals and Organizations

Goal 3



Lead the Way in New Technical Areas

Theme 1



Empower and diversify volunteer base

Theme 2



Enable nimbleness in execution

Theme 3



Maintain focus on diversity and inclusion

For Young Professionals/Academics: Introduced in 2023 - Expanding in 2024

Criteria

- Demonstrated leadership skills
- Positive role model for IEEE Code of Ethics
- Must be 29 years old or younger at the time the award is presented (October 2023)
- Must be employed full-time or seeking full-time employment in the field of Computer Science or Engineering
- Cannot be enrolled as a student
- IEEE membership is not required, but preferred.

Award

- Up to a USD \$1,500 travel grant and a complimentary registration toward a 2024 IEEE CS sponsored conference
- Complimentary IEEE Computer Society membership for one (1) year
- Exclusive opportunities to participate in IEEE Computer Society programs
- Recognition by the IEEE Computer Society

Diversity & Inclusion

CS Committee focus on experimentation,
fundraising & new idea generation

✓ 2020

- ✓ Establish committee
- ✓ Establish D&I fund with \$100k

✓ 2021

- ✓ Launch D&I fund
- ✓ Call for proposals for D&I projects
- ✓ 25 proposals received

✓ 2022

- ✓ 5 proposals awarded
- ✓ \$400k added to fund
- ✓ Revise & launch call for proposal
- ✓ 87 proposals receives

✓ 2023

- ✓ 8 proposals awarded with 56k in funding
- ✓ \$750k to fund over 3 years
- ✓ 127 proposals received



2022-2024 CS D&I Grant Projects

Computer
Literacy in Rural
India

BIPOC HS
Student
Internships

Navajo TinyML
Education and
Language
Preservation

Inclusive
University
Mentoring
Circle

Workshops and
Ideathon in Sri
Lanka

Computing
Conference for
Teenage Women in
Rural Mexico

Raspberry Pi
Workshop for
HS Students in
Uganda

Computer Literacy
Training for
Indigenous
Communities in
India

Training and Video
Production for
Students in Rural
Malaysia

Summer Workshops
for Students from
Underserved
Communities in
Nebraska

Coding Training
and Hackathon for
ESL Developers in
Canada

Data Science
Workshop for
Hispanic Students
in California

Computing
Workshop for
Girls in Panama

IoT Training for
LBGTQ+
Students in
Canada

Coding Camp for
Physically
Challenged HS
Students in Nigeria

Digital Literacy
Workshops for
Remote
Communities in
Lebanon

Programming
Workshops for
Underserved
Students in Bhutan

Robotics and
Programming Tutoring
and Hackathon for
underserved
communities in
Pakistan



Emerging Technology Funds

✓ 2022

- ✓ PlanCom Initiative
- ✓ Allocation of \$200,000
- ✓ Awarded 10 proposals

75 Submissions

45 proposals reviewed; ~\$1.05M; 2 reviewers per
27 research funding requests; ~\$900k; filtered out
3 duplicates; filtered out

\$15,000 average request

✓ Monthly/Quarterly Talks

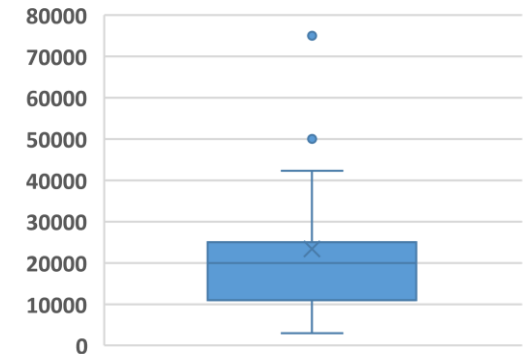
✓ Forums

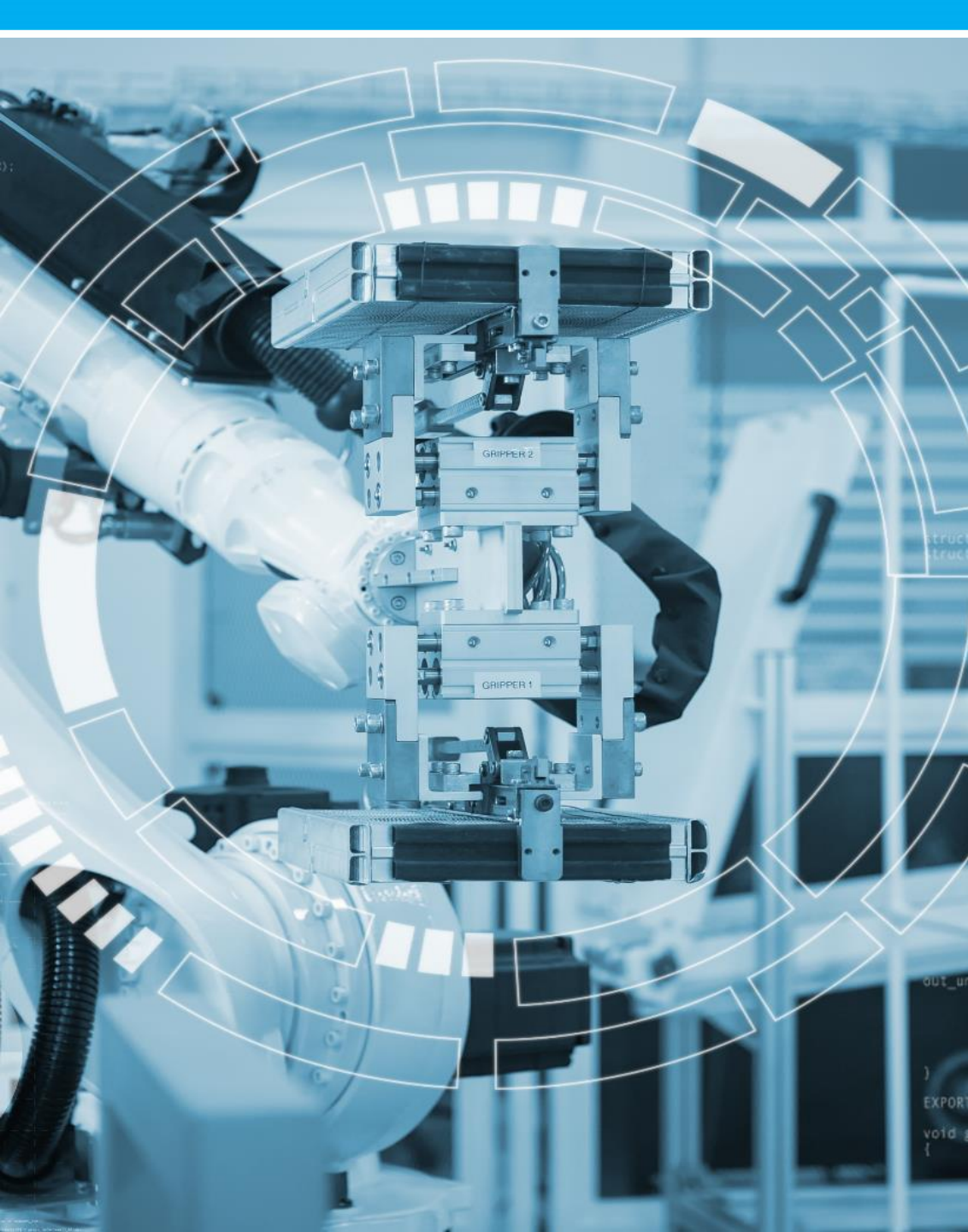
✓ Hackathons

✓ Online bootcamps

✓ Competitions

Requested Funds





Emerging Technology Funds

✓ 2023

- ✓ Revise CFP
- ✓ Allocation of \$200,000
- ✓ Limit # & increase proposal limit
- ✓ Awarded 10 proposals

182 Submissions

**All proposals reviewed; ~\$6.0M; 2 reviewers per
<10 research funding requests**

\$30,000 average request

✓ Hackathons / Competitions

✓ Forums

✓ Education/Training

✓ Online bootcamps

✓ Apply tech to product dev

✓ Monthly/Quarterly Talks

Chapter Incentive Funding and Grants



① Chapter Incentive Program

- ✓ Recognizing High Performing Chapters
- ✓ Automatic section funding match for meeting minimum requirements
- ✓ Additional \$650 for meeting strategic objectives

② Chapter Grants

- ✓ \$250 new chapter funding
- ✓ \$500 Student Branch Chapter Grants
- ✓ \$500 - \$2,000 Professional Section Chapter Grants
- ✓ \$68,000 available by application

Thank you!