



# IEEE Region 8 Director Report

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# Goals

- ▶ Home for everybody: inclusion and all diversities are a value
- ▶ Address the evolving needs of all segments of our scientific and professional community
- ▶ Expand cooperation for better serving our community

# Areas of Actions

**FOCUS ON THE ENTIRE  
SCIENTIFIC AND  
PROFESSIONAL  
COMMUNITY**



# Areas of Actions

**Industry Engagement**

**Volunteering  
and Recognition**

**Life-long Educational  
Activities**

**Retention  
and Recruitment**

**Cooperation**

# R8 Ad-Hoc Committees

- Vice Chair Technical Activities
  - Technical Activities
  - Standards Coordination
  - Cross-Section Technical Cooperation
  - Educational Infrastructures
  - Cooperation with IEEE S/Cs and National Associations
  - IEEE R8 on Climate Change
  - Continu>Ed
- Vice Chair Members Activities
  - Members Activities
  - Career
  - Senior Members Search
  - Fellow Members Search
  - EPICS
  - Territories in crisis
  - IEEE Milestones Awareness
- Vice Chair Student Activities
  - Contests, Awards and Recognitions
  - Training and Leadership Support
  - New Initiatives
  - Electronic Communications
- Treasurer (through Finance cmte)
  - Alternate Membership Payments
- Director-Elect
  - (through Sections Vitality&Development cmte)
    - Subsections Strategic Development
  - (through Publications&Communications cmte)
    - Electronic Communications
    - Social Media
    - New Social Media
    - R8 Web
- Past Director
  - Volunteer Pipeline
- Secretary
  - Secretariat
- Director
  - Sections Congress Coordination
  - R8 Advisory

**All together for people,  
the environment,  
and all living beings**

**Build a better environment  
for the future generations**

# SC Recommendations

Provide support, education and processes for working with Student Chapters & building relationships with Sections

- ▶ The exact relationship between student branches, faculty advisors, and sections is unclear. This has led to some student branches that use the IEEE name but have no official affiliation with the IEEE. Furthermore, the path to officially tie these student branches to the IEEE and local sections is unclear.

# SC Recommendations

## Continuous Education in the IEEE professional field

- ▶ Partner with other professional organizations for continuing education. This could include training and courses that lead to credentials such as digital badges, certificates and professional development units or hours. Collaboration with others can promote the IEEE brand and expand the influence of IEEE among professional organizations and their members. Integration and awareness with larger organizations will also serve to benefit IEEE members as credentials receive wider recognition.



# SC Recommendations

Provide continuing incentives to volunteers

- ▶ IEEE needs to provide more incentives to increase the number of volunteers. These incentives would contribute to recognizing volunteers' value and time investment. Incentive examples: IEEE to send letters to employers recognizing their employees' service to the profession, IEEE to provide free membership for the years of volunteer service, IEEE to provide a plaque stating the IEEE years of service, IEEE Badge for LinkedIn profile, IEEE to provide a swag bag with IEEE items.

# IEEE Region 8

A dark blue silhouette map of Region 8, which includes North America, Central America, the Caribbean, and northern South America.