

Czechoslovakia Section

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Section Vitality

Please provide information about the date of last Section elections, date of next elections, and do you have the practice of Vice-Chair becoming the next Section Chair. Section ExCom meetings (list them and provide brief summary if appropriate). List the activities carried out to retain and recruit members and the results obtained.

Last elections: 21.12.2023

Next elections (plan): 11.12.2024

We had the practice of vice-chair to chair transitions, however this year the previous chair is again helping as a vice-chair.

List of ExCom meetings:

October 4th, 2024, Brno (hybrid)

June 21st, 2024, Prague (hybrid)

April 5th, 2024, Brno (hybrid)

Annual meeting of the section, (plan, still to be confirmed), December 13th, 2024, Prague

Activities to retain/recruit members:

No dedicated activities carried out. Those activities are joined with technical/professional events, if possible. However, no metrics/tracking is done.

Students

List of Student Branches (SB) in your Section, the newly formed or dissolved SBs, if any since the last meeting reporting. List the student meetings held and Section activities addressed to Students and Young Professionals.

Student branches and their activities:

- CTU Prague, Czechia – new students, Student Branch reactivated; the most vital and one having many plans for 2024, with some activities already done !
 - Co-organization of IEEE PESW (The 12th Prague Embedded System Workshop), poster session, 06/2024
 - Summer school of Cybersecurity, Prague 07/2024
 - Conference Cybersecurity Horizons 2024, 10/2024
 - Student poster session and autumn PhD school at conference IEEE CNSM 2024, 10/2024 (planned)
 - Excursions to industry, *e.g.* Telematika a.s. company, Czech TV *etc.*
- Technical Univ. of Kosice, Slovakia
 - No reported activities in 2024
- Univ. of Zilina, Slovakia:
 - No reported activities in 2024
- Brno Univ. of Technology, Czechia:
 - Student Branch reactivated in 10/2024, new students, activities related to space-oriented talks and a gathering planned for October-December 2024

Potential plan to create a new Student Branch based on the actual student club in Pilsen, Czechia (planned)

Affinity Groups

List of Affinity Groups (YP, LM, WiE, SIGHT, *etc.*), list of SB AGs, newly formed or dissolved AGs/SB AGs, if any since the last meeting reporting. List the activities intended to support affinity groups.

- Young Professionals AG – active affinity group

List the activities:

- SVOC FEL ZCU V PLZNI, ZCU Pilsen, Czechia, 04/2023
- Co-organization of International Conference on Diagnostics in Electrical Engineering (Diagnostics) 2024, with student best paper award, 09/2024

- Life Members AG – active affinity group since 2021

List the activities:

- LM AG meeting, 01/2024 – jointly with IEEE Czechoslovakia Section annual meeting, organized a talk of Richard Selby “*Development of Telecommunications*”

Chapters

List of Chapters and SB Chapters in your Section, the newly formed or dissolved Chapters, if any since the last meeting reporting. Indicate how many have reported on time and received rebate. Highlight some of the activities.

IEEE Communications Society / Signal Processing Society Joint Chapter

IEEE Control Systems Society Chapter

IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society Chapter

IEEE Industrial Electronics Society / Industry Applications Society Joint Chapter

IEEE Power and Energy Society Chapter

IEEE Computational Intelligence Society Chapter

IEEE Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society Chapter

IEEE Computer Society Chapter

IEEE Electromagnetic Compatibility Society / Microwave Theory and Technology Society / Electron Devices Society / Antennas and Propagation Society Joint Chapter

Student Branch at Brno University of Technology, CZ

Student Branch at Czech Technical University in Prague, CZ

Student Branch at Technical University of Kosice, SK

Student Branch at University of Zilina, SK

The *Cybersecurity Horizons* 2024 conference organized by the Prague Student Branch in October 2024 was a fairly significant action.

Industry

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

Excursions of students to industrial companies, such as Skoda auto a.s. 11/2023 organized by CTU Prague Student Branch, more to come later in 2024 (Telematika a.s., Czech T.V.)

Memorandum of understanding between IEEE Czechoslovakia Section and several national companies in preparation during 2024.

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 [<link>](#).

DEI activities are not managed particularly, since our section is lacking volunteers and officers. Nevertheless, the IEEE Czechoslovakia Section is always open to members of all genders, age, religion, geographical location or employment status, *etc.*

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.

Planned activities

Highlight some of the future activities and initiatives in your Section.

Regular ExCom meetings continue in *hybrid* mode to reduce the need for traveling, (the most recent one took place in October 2024).

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

List any challenges your Section is facing and what support is required from the Region 8. Please, also, give us your suggestions for agenda items that you want to be discussed during the R8 Committee meeting.

Any other issues of interest