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SVD - Scope

- Monitor Sections/Subsections vitality in Region 8 assisting sections/subsections in the elections and annual reporting.
- Overseeing formation of a Subsection/Section in Region 8
- Organization of at least two SVD SC meetings/workshops with sections/subsections volunteers.
- New Initiatives – Local groups formation as a potentiator for subsections creation

R8 SVD Goals

To have vital sections and subsections serving their members:

- successful operation
- timely reporting (officers, meetings, and financials) to receive their rebates
- successfully retaining and recruiting members
- training new volunteers and holding elections on time following the MGA Operations Manual.

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- Engagement of elected and appointed volunteers
- Look for good successors
- Organize elections on time
- An officer should not serve in the same position for **more than four consecutive years**, or for **more than six years in total**, in any one office.
 - Term start date for elected officers should be **1 January**.
 - Term end date for current officers should be **31 December**.
- Use Nominations and v-Tools for electronic voting
- Timely report financials & events
- Participate in Section Vitality Self-Assessment (MGA)



- **59** Sections
- **13** Subsections
- **1** Council: Africa Council
- **660** Society Chapters
- **114** Affinity Groups
- **786** Student Branches
- **718** Student Branch Chapters
- **208** Student Branch Affinity Groups

As of Oct 2024



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R8 SVD – Sections Reporting

- **Updated MGA Geographic Unit Election Process**
- **Organization of section elections for 2025-2026 term**
 - Workshop on sections/subsections elections organization in June, 9
 - Reminders and guidance for sections that need elections for 2025-2026 term
- **Formation of new sections/subsections: New Initiatives**
 - Uzbekistan - A new student branch was established in Uzbekistan as a first step toward forming a subsection. Uzbekistan petition will be followed up.
 - Rwanda, Senegal and Cameroon are interested to form a subsection and are being supported to create the necessary OUs and membership infrastructure, mainly with Local groups formation.

Election Readiness for sections/subsections that need elections in 2024

Let us to support your section!!!



Section Vitality and Development Committee: Election Readiness for sections/subsections who conduct elections in 2024

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You were asked to participate in this form because the term of the chair of your section/subsection is expiring this year (2024). According to the new IEEE MGA bylaws, the election process should start by August 1st, 2024. This form is assessing your section/subsection readiness for the process.

Section/Subsection Name:

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Your IEEE number:

Texto de resposta curta

...
Your name:

Texto de resposta curta

For sections that need organize elections in 2024, please fill in the google form



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R8 SVD Reporting

- **Financial reporting:** achieve 100% submission before the reporting deadline and to encourage GEO units to qualify for their rebate bonus.
- **Section elections:** to support sections/subsections in the process of electing Section officers for the next two-year term - 2025-2026
- **R8 Reporting:** report sections activities to the R8 committee
- **Event Reporting:** Meeting/Events activity of all Sections and Subsections must be reported

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Updated MGA Geographic Unit Election Process

- **Review Election Policies and Procedures**
 - MGA Operations Manual
 - Region Bylaws
 - Local Operating Procedures and Section Bylaws

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Updated MGA Geographic Unit Election Process

Key Changes

Required use of electronic voting via vTools voting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removes voting from being held in-person or via mail ballots Process exception for locations that cannot vote electronically
Combine Nominations and Tellers Committee to create one Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Election Committee Allow no more than 1 member being a current officer One member shall be appointed as Chair The committee shall also include a member to serve as “Teller” to manage the vTools ballot
Minimum timeline requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for nominations run for a minimum of 30 days Petitions and endorsements run for a recommended minimum of 30 days Voting to remain open a minimum of 2 weeks
Candidate and voter eligibility date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Example; eligibility date = 30 June
Election start and stop date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Example; 1 August Begin/1 December Complete
Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently throughout Section 9: 9.0, 9.4, 9.5, 9.7, 9.10 Proposed to add a new Section within 9 that includes all election processes in one cohesive Section



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Updated MGA Geographic Unit Election Process – Sample Timeline

<u>Task:</u>	<u>Sample Date:</u>	<u>Duration:</u>
<u>Appoint Elections Committee</u>	<u>1 August</u>	<u>Start no later than 1 August</u>
<u>Call for Nominations Issued</u>	<u>5 August</u>	<u>Open 30 days minimum - required</u>
<u>Call for Nominations Closed</u>	<u>5 September</u>	
<u>Candidates Reviewed</u>	<u>6-12 September</u>	<u>On average 7 days</u>
<u>Slate Approved by ExCom</u>	<u>13-19 September</u>	<u>On average 7 days</u>
<u>Region Director Approval</u> <i>(if necessary for single candidate slate)</i>	<u>20-26 September</u>	<u>On average 7 days</u>
<u>Slate Announced and Petition Opens</u>	<u>27 September</u>	<u>Open 30 days minimum - recommended</u>
<u>Petition Closed</u>	<u>27 October</u>	
<u>Petition Candidates Reviewed</u>	<u>28 October-3 November</u>	<u>On average 7 days</u>
<u>Final Slate Approved by ExCom</u>	<u>4-10 November</u>	<u>On average 7 days</u>
<u>Final Slate Announced</u>	<u>11 November</u>	
<u>Voting Opens</u>	<u>11 November</u>	
<u>Voting Closes</u>	<u>25 November</u>	<u>Open a minimum of 2 weeks - required</u>
<u>Final Results Announced and Officers Recorded</u>	<u>15 December</u>	<u>Announce results no later than 15 December</u>



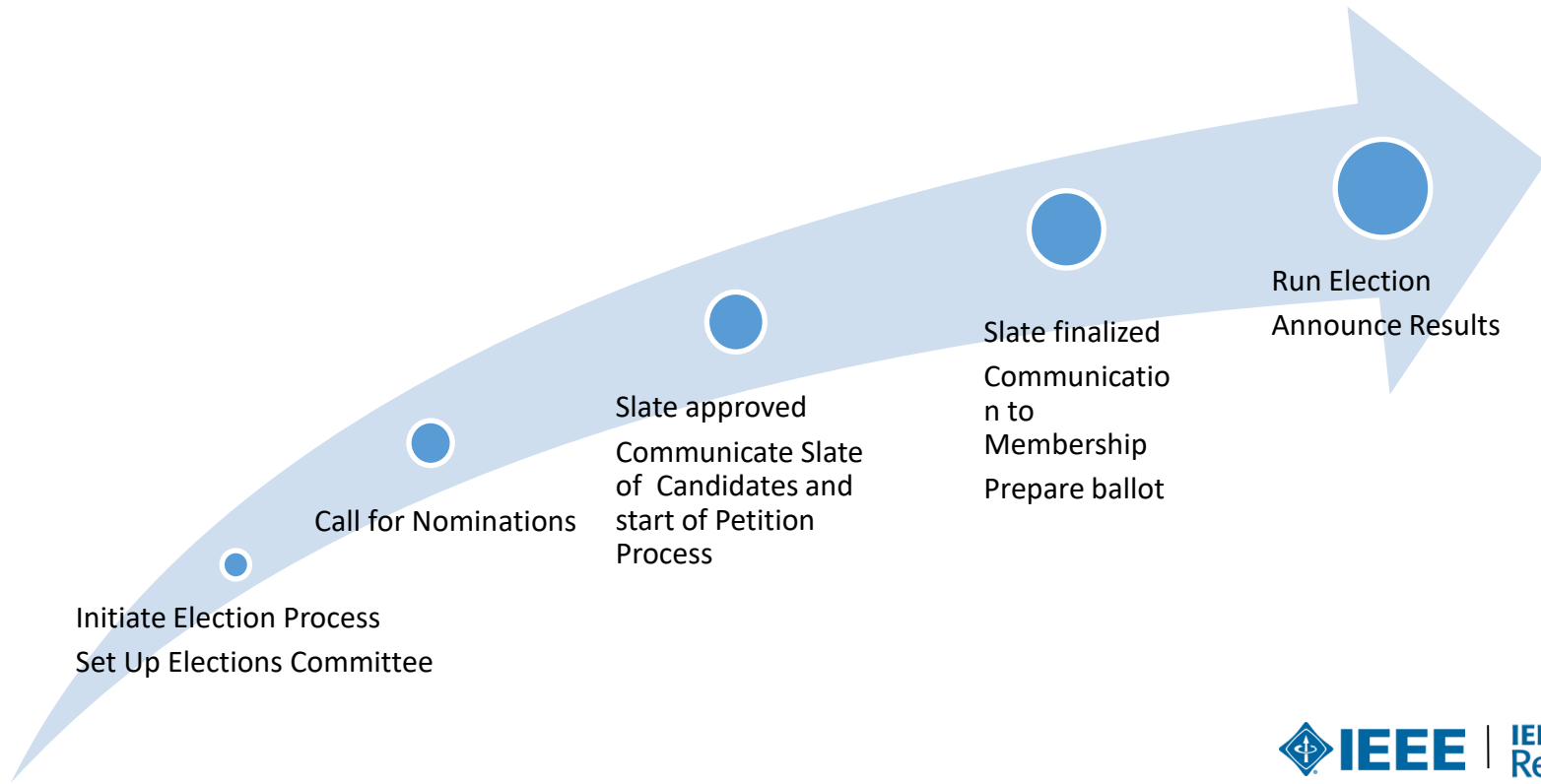
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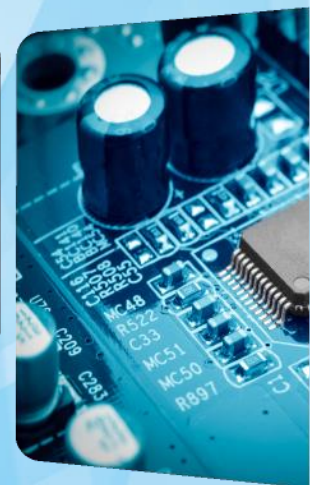
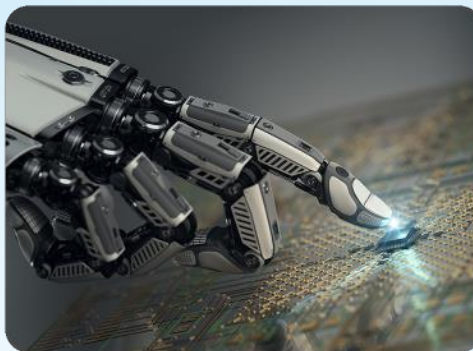
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Timeline Planning



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