

The year 2024 was a successful one for IEEE Israel, with a record number of events (156 compared to 131 in 2023) and a strong financial performance.

Over the past few years, we have worked diligently to implement numerous changes in the section, enhancing its management, activities, and ability to support and achieve members' satisfaction, while also attracting new members and retaining existing ones.

We achieved all of these during our term:

- The Israel section celebrated its 70th anniversary!
- The IEEE Board of Directors has selected Prof. Hagit Messer-Yaron (Tel Aviv University) to receive the **2024 IEEE Medal for Environmental and Safety Technologies for outstanding accomplishments in the application of technology in the fields of interest of IEEE that improve the environment and/or public safety.**
- We established new chapters, with energized chairs, that attracted membership recruitment and worked diligently with new ideas and initiatives, including organizing technical academic courses and meetings involving scientists and senior engineers from the academy and industry. We have also worked on establishing new chapters in 2025.
- Enriched the section's bank account by more than six times: This additional money enables us to support section activities and new initiatives.
- Starting in our cadency, we submitted annual applications and received approvals from the government's non-profit association authority and tax authority. Our financial reports were reviewed by these authorities (and IEEE) and were fully approved without any comment.
- IEEE Israel and IEEE established cooperation and signed an NSA (National Society Agreement) with the Association of Engineers in Israel. The MOU was signed by the IEEE president and our section's chair, and we have received free office services from them. Since we do not own facilities and do not have staff (employees), this cooperation helps us a lot, also in increasing mutual activities.
- We increased the number of our section activities by 600%, from 26 in 2019 to 131 in 2023 and 156 in 2024, as can be seen in the figure below.
- IEEE COMCAS 2024 was held successfully from July 9 to 11, 2024, at the David Intercontinental Hotel in Tel Aviv, with 3 days and 1,600 attendees.

Our section members have expressed great appreciation for our efforts and achievements during the general assembly meetings.

We have worked hard in increasing the number of experienced leaders in our section by selecting members and encouraging them to take responsibility and leadership, with mentoring and support from Aleks (secretary) and me (chair), to build the next generation of our IEEE leaders.

We built the infrastructure (money, cooperation, mentoring new chairs, new chapters, activities, and conferences) and plan to continue to develop the section, prepare the next generation, and ensure the proper tools and management of the section for the long run.

EVENTS ACTIVITY

Year ?
 Organizational Unit ?
 Child OUs ?

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! These data counts and charts include the selected OU and all related organizational units. See below for individual OU numbers and charts.

Name	Prof	Tech	Non-Tech	Admin	Hum	Pre-U	Total
Israel Section	0	155	1	0	0	0	156





Israel Section Celebrates 70 Years of IEEE Section Excellence

On October 5, 2024, the Israel Section leadership, the Israel LMAG, and past Section Chairs (Life Fellows) came together at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Tel Aviv, Israel to celebrate their 70-year legacy and achievements.

Established on 5 October 1954, they were the first section of the Institute of Radio Engineers (I.R.E) in the Eastern Hemisphere. Following the merger with the American Institute of Electrical Engineers (AIEE) in 1963 to become the IEEE, they were the first section in IEEE Region 8 encompassing

Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA).

Today the Section boasts 24 professional technical groups including chapters and affinity groups. Its achievements include an IEEE Medal of Honor to Prof. Jacob Ziv in 2021 and three IEEE Milestones awarded in 2004, 2006, and 2024.



IEEE President Tom Coughlin with Shmuel Auster



Group Photo from 70th Anniversary of Israel IEEE Section

The event honored past Chairs and the current management members. However, the highlight of the evening was a surprise presentation

of a Honorary Plaque to Shmuel Auster, Section Chair from IEEE President Tom Coughlin. The award was presented by Dr. Aleks

Dyskin in recognition of Auster's outstanding leadership and dedication to the Section.