

IEEE Region 8



Life Members – Overview – R8 Opportunities

R8 Section Chairs and LM Subcommittee Joint Meeting
08 April 2021 17:00-18:00 CEST (UTC+2)

Peter Magyar, LF, LM Subcommittee Chair



Agenda

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| 17:00 | Opening Address <i>Roll Call</i> | <i>Peter Magyar, R8 LM AHC Chair</i> |
| 17:05 | LM Overview and R8 Opportunities <i>Power Point Presentation</i> | <i>Peter Magyar, R8 LM AHC Chair</i> |
| 17:30 | R8 Director's Comment R8 VC MA's Comment Experiments of LMAG formation | <i>Antonio Luque, R8 Director</i> <i>Sara Barros, R8 VC MA</i> <i>André Sopczak, Czechoslovakia Section</i> |
| 17:45 | Q&A Session | <i>Vinko Lesic, R8 LM AHC Member</i> |
| 17:59 | Closing Address | <i>P. Magyar</i> |
| 18:00 | End | |

Life Members



IEEE Membership Grade

(non-associate, non-affiliate)

- Student Member (S)
- Graduate Student Member (GSM)
- Member (M)
- Senior Member (SM)
 - Nomination
 - Application
- Fellow (F)
 - Nomination

Higher
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Members

Voting
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Automatic process:

Life Member (LM)
Life Senior Member (LSM)
Life Fellow (LF)

IEEE Life Membership (LM, LSM, LF)

- **IEEE Life Membership** is automatically bestowed upon an active **IEEE member** who
 - Has attained the age of **65 years**.
 - Has been a member of IEEE for such a period that the sum of his/her age and his/her **years of membership** equals or exceeds 100 years
 - Life membership will be bestowed at the following 1st January
- Slogan
 - **Experience does not go on retreat**

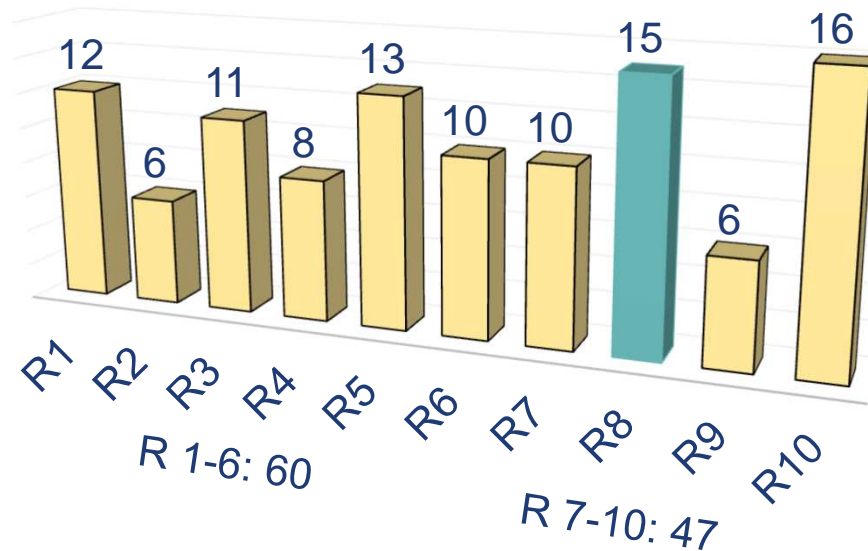
Life Member Affinity Groups (LMAGs)



Life Members Affinity Group (LMAG)

- An IEEE LMAG is
 - a **local unit** of an IEEE Section
 - **constituted by** IEEE members who have obtained **Life Member** status
 - established by **petition**
 - and concerned to represent and fulfill the needs of the local IEEE Life Members.
- LMAG organizational chain
 - Direct parent organizations are the **IEEE Sections and Regions**
 - Regional LMAGs are **subunits of Life Members Committee** (LMC) of IEEE MGA and IEEE Foundation
 - Mission is to support Life Members, potential engineers and engineering students and to support funding for their activities

LMAGs worldwide (107, Jan.2021)



Region 8 is the 2nd by count of LMAGs

Forming the 16th R8 LMAG is in progress

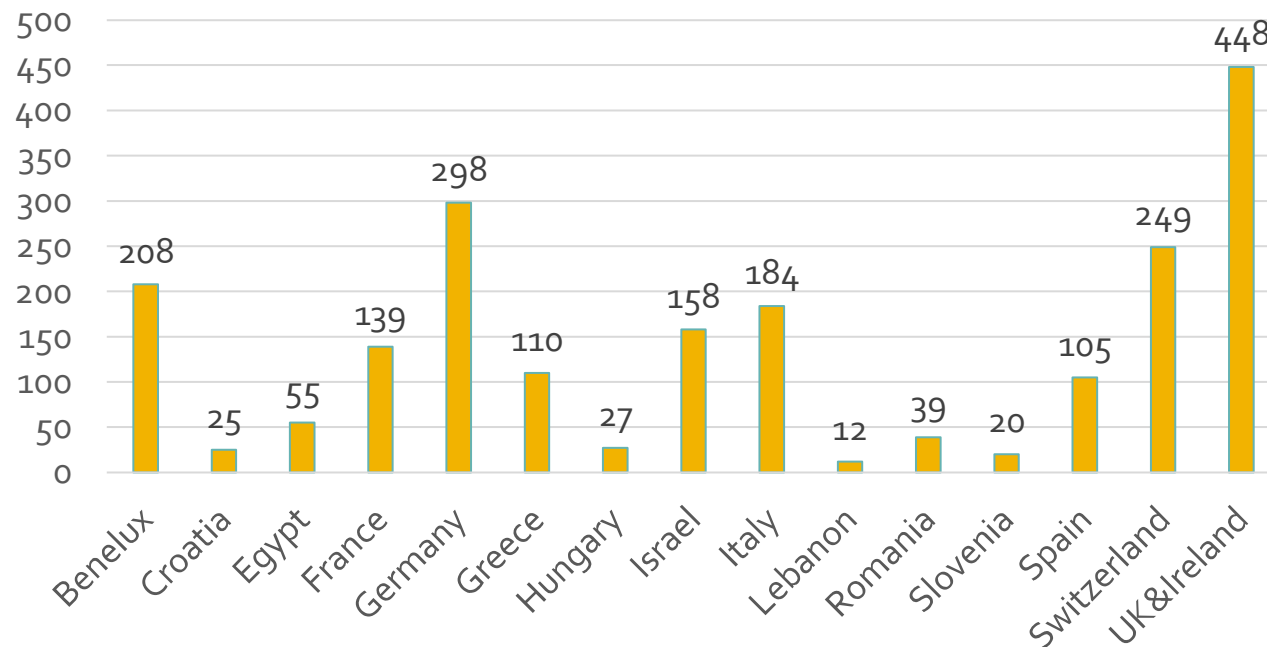
LMAGs in Region 8 (13+2)

- **Benelux** Wilhelm C. Van Etten
- **Croatia** Zvonko J. Bencic
- **Egypt** Samir I. Shaheen
- **France** Victor Fouad Hanna
- **Germany** Hagen Hultzsch
- **Greece** George Papadopoulos
- **Hungary** Imre J. Rudas
- **Israel** Jacob Baal-Schem
- **Italy** Antonio Savini
- **Lebanon** Usamah O. Farrukh
- **Romania** Mircea Eremia
- **Slovenia** Baldomir Zajc
- **Spain** Rafael Martinez
- **Switzerland** Hugo Wyss
- **UK&Ireland** Charles W. Turner

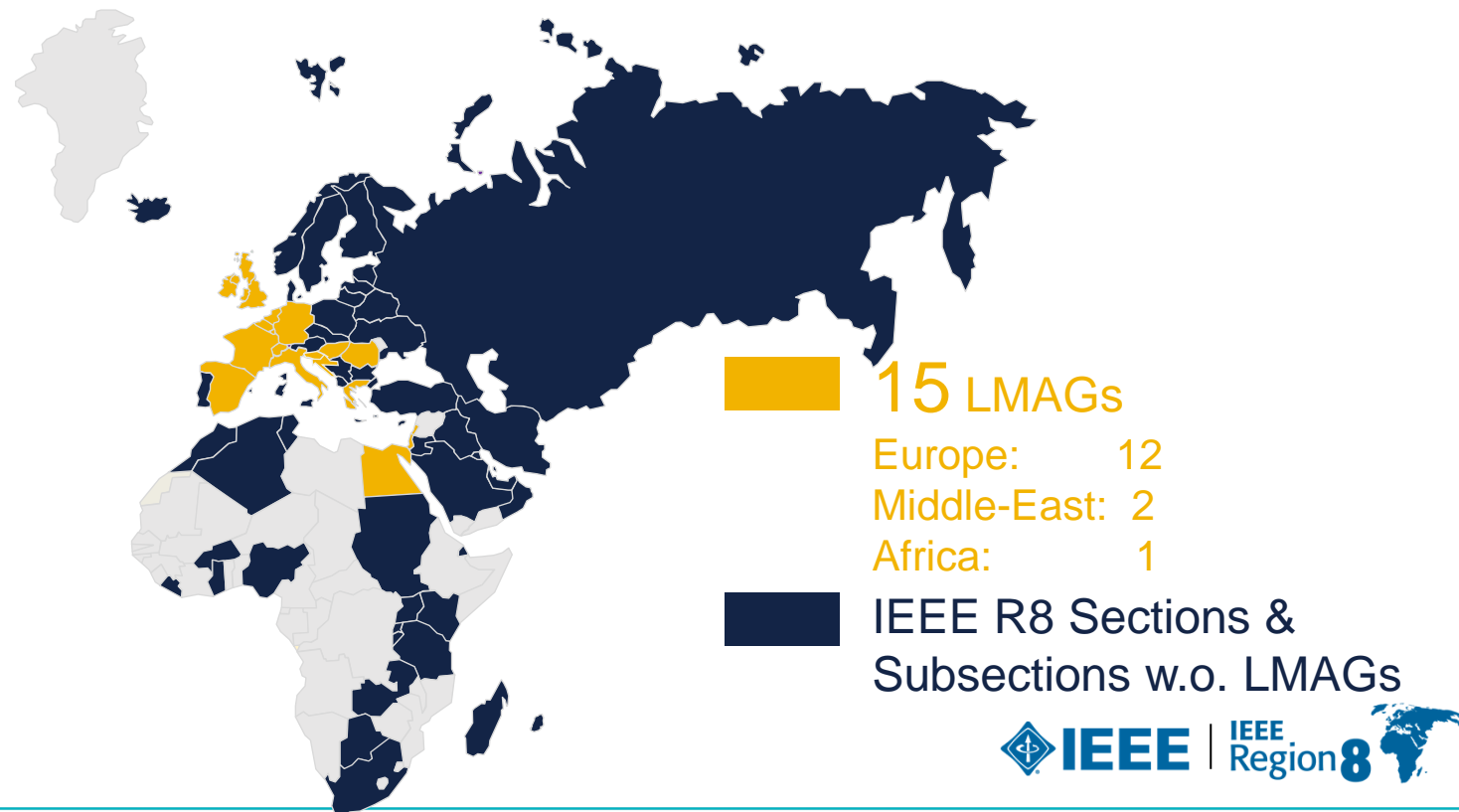
New LMAGs (2)
New Chairs (2)

Romania Dec 2020, Germany Jan 2021
Greece, Spain

Total count of Life grade Members, Seniors and Fellows in R8 by LMAAGs (Jan 2021)



LMAGs in Sections of Region 8



LM organization in Region 8

LM organization structure in Region 8

- The LM activity belongs to the Region 8 Committee, Member Activities (MA)
 - Sara Barros (Benelux), Region 8 Vice Chair, Member Activities
- Life Members Ad Hoc Subcommittee (LM AHC)
 - Chair: Peter Magyar (Germany), peter.magyar@ieee.org
 - Corresponding members:
 - Victor Fouad Hanna (France), victor.fouad@ieee.org
 - Anthony C. Davies (UK&Ireland), tonydavies@ieee.org
 - YP: Vinko Lesic (Croatia), vinko.lesic@ieee.org
 - LMC: Charles W. Turner c.turner@ieee.org

Region 8 Life Members Ad Hoc Subcommittee



Victor Fouad
Hanna

Anthony C.
Davies



Peter Magyar



Charles W. Turner



Vinko Lesic

How to establish and keep the status of
LMAGs ?

How to establish LMAG ?

- LMAGs are established upon **petition** to the
 - MGA Board (LMC)
 - with the cooperation of the Section Chair and Regional Director
- Petition shall contain
 - Name of an **organizer** who becomes interim chair status
 - Signatures of **at least six (6) IEEE Members, other than Students**, who are members of the Section(s) involved and who indicate they will join the LMAG
- Additional sustainability conditions of LMC
 - **Life-grade** (LF, LSM, LM) or Senior-grade (SM) IEEE members are recommended for the membership – possible approval criterion
 - **At least two** petitioners shall be **Life-grade** IEEE members who will serve as **Chair and Treasurer**

LMAG Petition

- General information
 - <https://mga.ieee.org/resources-operations/formations-petitions>
- Detailed information
 - <https://www.ieee.org/content/ieee-org/en/communities/life-members/groups.html/> >> How to establish a Life Members Affinity Group
- Petition form
 - [Access the IEEE Geographic Unit Petition Application](#)
- The lifecycle of an online petition is as follows:



How to keep the status?

LM individuals: „Profile Confirmation“

- If a Life Member does not **annually** confirm that they would like to continue to receive services / publication(s), they will be removed from the active membership roster and placed on inactive status.
- The active status will be reinstated upon notification that the Life Member confirms that the services still desired.

LMAGs: should make its activity visible

- LMAGs may submit written activity reports to
 - Section
 - Regional LM Coordinator
- Posting vTools reports are essential
 - officer change
 - activity

Why establish LMAGs?

Benefits

Benefits of IEEE

- IEEE believes
 - Life Members represent an invaluable **repository of personal experiences**
 - **Life Members' activity and engagement is one of the key components** of the success of IEEE
- LM C believes
 - More Life Members will remain involved if there are national LMAGs
 - Having LMAG > **more active Life Members**
- Life Members Affinity Groups
 - **Contribute** to the social good in their communities
 - **Enable** Life Members to retain active IEEE associations
 - **Advance** the professional interests of IEEE
 - **Allow** members to enjoy each other's company

Benefits of individuals

- **IEEE membership dues and regional assessments are waived** for LMs > **fee is \$0.00/year**
- **Society membership fees are waived** for Society memberships at least 4 years before becoming Life Member
- Individuals may receive **reduced member rates** at conferences if IEEE is a sole sponsor > fee is not more than one of the students
- LMs continue to receive the **same benefits that are available** to other IEEE members which are included in IEEE Member Discount Program, IEEE Insurance Program

Benefits of Sections

- **Sections** receive rebates from MGA
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 - \$200 for each Life Member Affinity Group
 - With a bonus of \$75 for holding six (6) meetings / events a year
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Benefits of the IEEE environment

Experience does not go on retreat

- LMAgS may cooperate with local and regional activities related to
 - humanitarian projects
 - educational projects
 - conference organization
 - history of science, technology and engineering
 - IEEE Milestones Program
(https://ethw.org/Milestones:IEEE_Milestones_Program)
- LMAgS may support
 - local chapters
 - lecture series (Distinguished Lecturer Programs)
 - Fellow and Senior Member nomination

What do we expect from R8 LMAGs and Sections?

What do we expect from R8 LMAGs and Sections? - *The Four Commandments*



Sustainable LMAG Operation



Cooperation and Support



Development



Publicity

What do we expect from R8 LMAGs and Sections? - *The 1st Commandment*



Sustainable LMAG Operation



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Sustainable LMAG operation

- Regular elections and officer rotation
 - 2 years of service period recommended
 - „New blood new activity“ ✓ „Give other people a chance“ ✓
 - „Who else if not me?“ ✗
- Roster update via vTools
- Activity requirements
 - Minimum of two (2) vTools reported meetings
 - Six (6) meetings recommended, joint meetings with chapters, other affinity groups and other LMAGs
 - Invitation & Report are essential
 - Activity reports / goals before the R8 Committee Meetings
 - Participating in Joint LM AHC and LMAG Chair Meetings quarterly

How to establish virtual meetings?

- **Tool**

- As part of the IEEE MGA vTools, chapter and AG chairs can request a WebEx meeting link to be created for their event. Please see link: <https://site.ieee.org/vtools/webex-meeting-registration/>. The chairs will receive the link within three (3) working days free of charge.

- **Examples**

- Virtual Meetings of LMAGs
 - Benelux LMAG, 22 Dec 2020
 - France LMAG, 02 March 2021
- Virtual Meetings of Student Branch Chapters
- Chapters Virtual Meeting Program of IAS Chapters & Membership Department, <https://ias.ieee.org/chapters-membership.html>

What do we expect from R8 LMAGs and Sections? - *The 2nd Commandments*

☐ Sustainable LMAG Operation

☒ Cooperation and Support

☐ Development

☐ Publicity

Cooperation and support

- Encourage your Life Members to outreach your expertise to the IEEE environment
 - Organize Virtual Lecture Meetings
 - Serve as speakers, moderators
 - Invite other LMAGs, local chapters, local SBs and other IEEE Affinity Groups to the meetings
 - Offer lectures in your Section and other IEEE Affinity Groups
 - Participate in special projects e.g. IEEE Day
 - Support member recognition e.g. MGA Awards, IEEE Awards
- Encourage your Life Members to nominate Members to Senior and Fellow status
- „Health & Welfare Calls“ to other Life members during COVID crisis

How to contact LMAG members?

- Member roster (name, occupation, address, phone number, email address) is available at the Sections
- LMAG Chairs may have access to IEEE OU Analytics
 - Replacement of SAMIEEE >>> OU Analytics is easy to use
 - IEEE account needed
 - Access: <https://mga.ieee.org/resources-operations/volunteer-tools/samieee>
 - Training material: <https://mga.ieee.org/resources-operations/volunteer-tools/samieee/11-operations/318-ou-analytics-training-materials>

What do we expect from R8 LMAGs and Sections? - *The 3rd Commandment*

☐ Sustainable LMAG Operation

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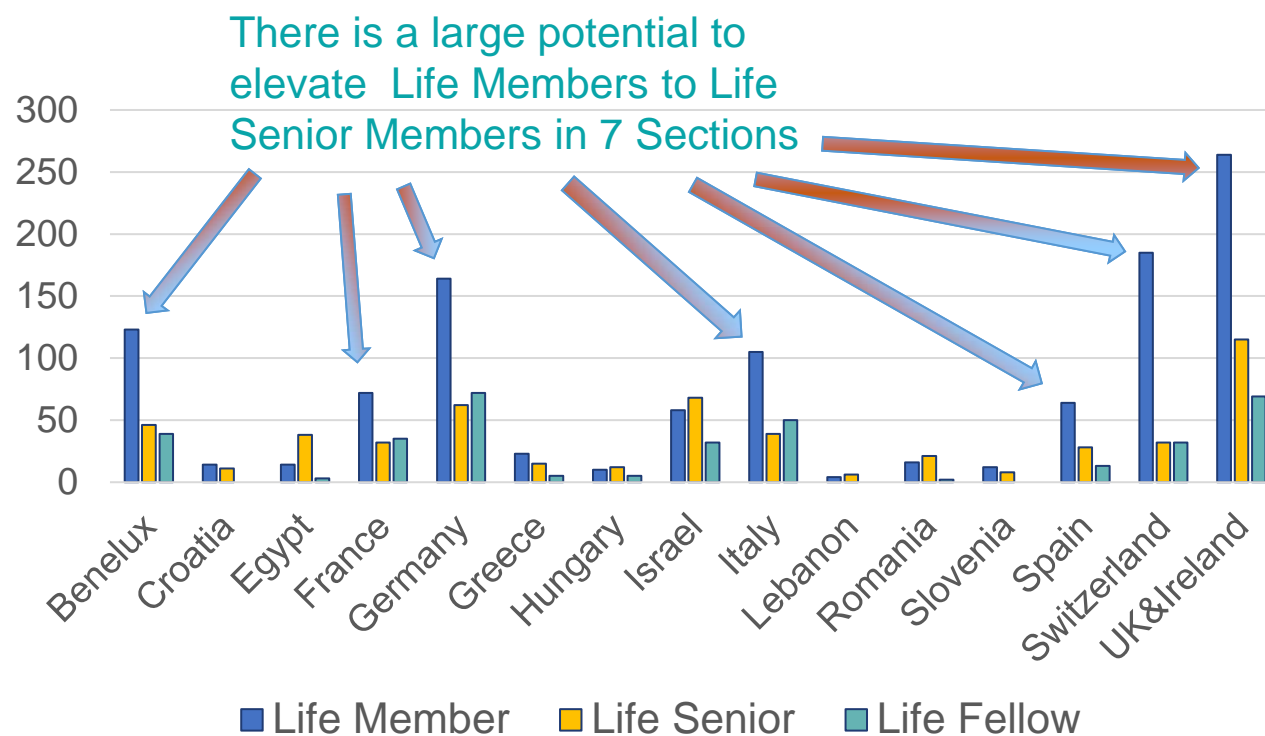
☒ Development

☐ Publicity

Development of LMs and LMAGs

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 - Be active as SM references and Fellow nominations
- Sections encourage LMs to establish new LMAGs
 - There is a potential to establish new LMAGs in 20 R8 Sections
 - Potential 7
 - Medium potential 6
 - High potential 7

Elevate Life Members to Life Senior Members



Benefits of Sections (LM to LSM or LF)

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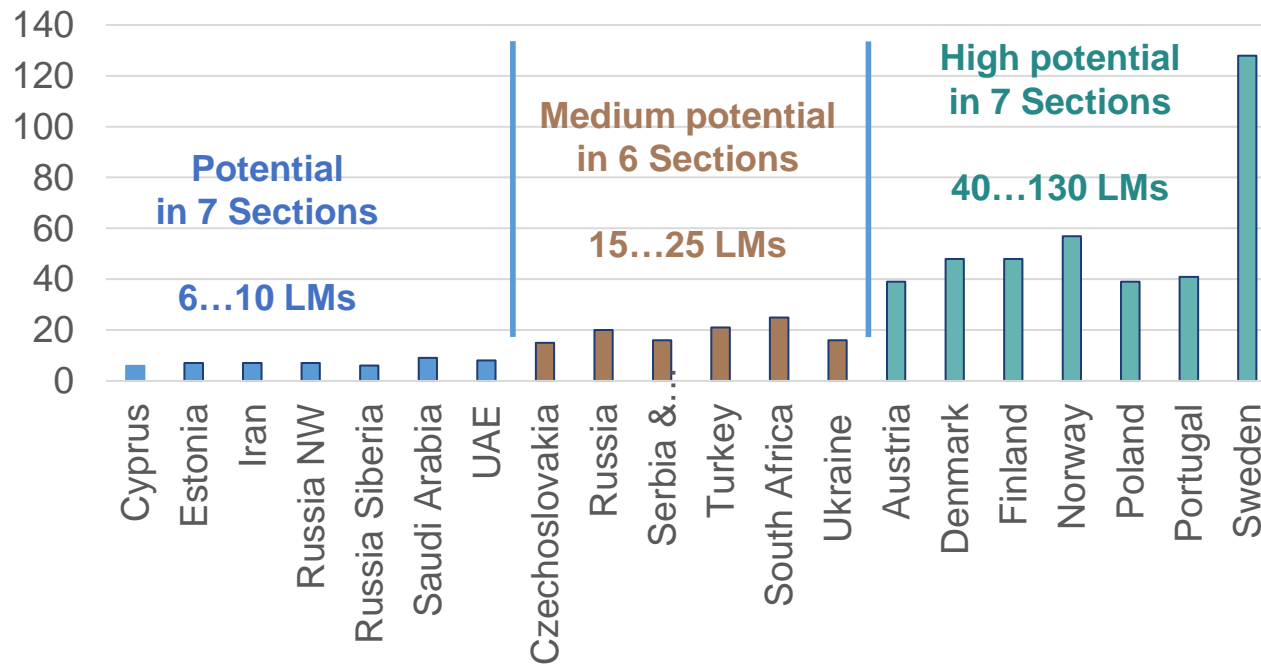
R8 financial potential
\$595
Recognition is more
important

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Establishing new LMAGs

Potential to establish new LMAGs in twenty Sections of R8



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R8 potential
 $\$2,275 \times 15 = \$34,125$

What do we expect from R8 LMAGs and Sections? - *The 4th Commandment*

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☐ Cooperation and Support

☐ Development

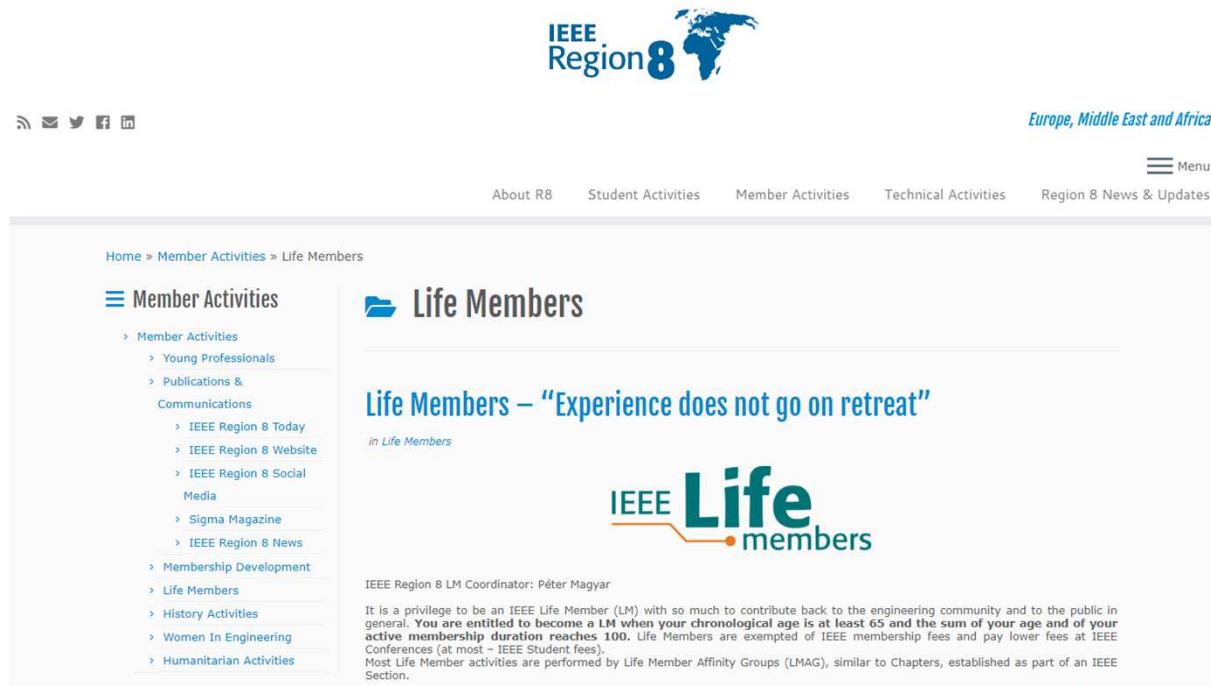
☒ Publicity

Publicity

- Be active and present in local technical and scientific associations and IEEE Societies
- Outreach your expertise to other IEEE OUs
- Publish your activity in
 - Local media
 - LMC [e-Newsletter](#)
 - R8 Newsletter
 - Society Newsletters / Magazines
 - R8 LM AHC website
 - Invitation prior the event
 - Report after the event
 - Section website
 - **Establish LM website in the Section website**

Life Members in the R8 homepage

<https://ieeer8.org/category/member-activities/life-members/>



The screenshot displays the IEEE Region 8 homepage. At the top, the IEEE Region 8 logo is centered, with the text "IEEE Region 8" and a map of the region. Below the logo, there are social media icons (RSS, Email, Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn) on the left and the text "Europe, Middle East and Africa" on the right. A navigation bar contains links: "About R8", "Student Activities", "Member Activities", "Technical Activities", and "Region 8 News & Updates". A "Menu" icon is also present. The main content area is titled "Life Members" and features a quote: "Life Members – 'Experience does not go on retreat'". Below the quote is the IEEE Life members logo. A section titled "IEEE Region 8 LM Coordinator: Péter Magyar" follows, with a paragraph explaining the benefits of being a Life Member (LM), including exemption from membership fees and lower fees at IEEE Conferences (at most - IEEE Student fees). The paragraph also mentions that most Life Member activities are performed by Life Member Affinity Groups (LMAG), similar to Chapters, established as part of an IEEE Section.

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Member Activities

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 - Publications & Communications
 - IEEE Region 8 Today
 - IEEE Region 8 Website
 - IEEE Region 8 Social Media
 - Sigma Magazine
 - IEEE Region 8 News
 - Membership Development
 - Life Members
 - History Activities
 - Women In Engineering
 - Humanitarian Activities

Life Members

Life Members – "Experience does not go on retreat"

In Life Members

IEEE Life members

IEEE Region 8 LM Coordinator: Péter Magyar

It is a privilege to be an IEEE Life Member (LM) with so much to contribute back to the engineering community and to the public in general. **You are entitled to become a LM when your chronological age is at least 65 and the sum of your age and of your active membership duration reaches 100.** Life Members are exempted of IEEE membership fees and pay lower fees at IEEE Conferences (at most - IEEE Student fees). Most Life Member activities are performed by Life Member Affinity Groups (LMAG), similar to Chapters, established as part of an IEEE Section.

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Report on Life Member Activities

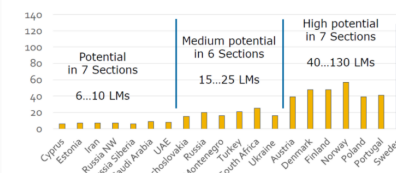
In Life Members

I. Administrative Status of R8 LMAGs at 2021

- No R8 LMAG is recently dissolved
- 25% of total R8 Sections have LMAG

Effort for increasing the number in R8 LMAGs

R8 Sections with potential to establish new LMAGs



Summary

Experience does not go on retreat

- Importance of LMs
 - ✓ There are ~38,000 IEEE Life grade members, increasing at ~2,000 each year
- What to do on Section level?
 - ✓ Support LM activity
 - ✓ Establish LM website in the Sections website
 - ✓ Encourage
 - your members to elevate Member grade LMs to Senior grade LMs
 - your members to identify possible Chair of LMAG
 - your members to establish LMAG in your Section
 - your LMAGs to cooperate with all groups of the Section (SB, YP, Chapters, WIE) of the Section
 - ✓ Check the sustainability of LMAG
 - meetings
 - reporting
 - chair rotation > very important
 - „new blood, new activity“
 - „give other people a chance“
 - ✓ Get funding for facilitation of high level of activity

Thank you for your kind attention

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