LMAG Petition Step by Step Training

120th Region 8 Committee Meeting, Bucharest

Room Electra 1&2 - Friday, 24 March 2023, 14:00-14:30

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Online Petition

https://mga.ieee.org/resources-operations/formations-petitions

IEEE Geographic Unit Formation Policies and Petitions

In accordance with the actions of the IEEE Member and Geographic Activities Board, there are specific guidelines to follow when forming an IEEE geographic unit.

Geographic unit petitions are submitted online (with the exception of Geographic Councils, where a form must be downloaded, circulated, and submitted.)

The lifecycle of an online petition is as follows:

- **Organizer submits the petition**
- **IEEE Staff reviews the petition**
- **Endorsers endorse the petition**
- **Petitioners sign the petition**
- **Approver approves the petition**

For each petition type, the roles of Organizer, Endorser, Petitioner and Approver must meet specific requirements.
# Petition to form an IEEE Affinity Group

Forming an affinity group is the best way to interact and share information with members with similar interests in your local area.

- **Section Affinity Group for members**
  - Consultants Network
  - Life Members
  - Women in Engineering
  - Young Professionals

## ORGANIZERS
- The Organizer (and Co-Organizer, if applicable) must be an active IEEE member of Graduate Student Member grade or higher for a minimum of 6 months.
- The Organizer shall serve as the interim Affinity Group Chair pending election at a later date.

*Note: For Joint Section Affinity Groups, there must be one Organizer/Co-Organizer from each contiguous section involved.*

## ENDORSERS
Affinity Group petitions must be endorsed by the following:

- **Section Chair**

Joint Sections Affinity Group petitions must be endorsed by the following:

- **Section Chair** for each Section involved

*Note: If the Organizer does not report to a Section, the petition will be endorsed by the Region Director.*

Endorsers will be invited to endorse the petition once the petition has been verified by IEEE Staff.

## PETITIONERS
Affinity Group petitions must be signed by the following:
Open the link at the bottom of this chapter

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<td>• 6 active IEEE members of Graduate Student Member grade or higher, who are members of the Section(s) involved for a minimum of 6 months</td>
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<td>• Chair of each Sponsoring Entity involved</td>
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Petition to form an IEEE Student Branch
Sign in with your own IEEE account

› <your email address>, <password>
Create new petition

IEEE Geographic Unit Formation Petition Application

CREATE NEW PETITION

My Petitions
Start a new Petition – Organizer Information

- Member IEEE Number, Full Name, Membership Grade, Email
- Address (street address), City, State/Province, Country & Zip
- Section Code (SPO ID, see attachment)
- Section Name
- Region Name: R8 Europe, Middle East, Africa
Start a new Petition – Choose a petition type

» Select Affinity Group / Joint Affinity Group

- Affinity Group/Joint Affinity Group
- Chapter/Joint Chapter
- Section Chapter/Affinity Group Status Change
- Section/Subsection

» Read and understand
Starting a new Petition

- Name of the geographic parent: <Your Section>
- Name of the organizational parent: Life Member (LM)
- Signatures: at least 6 active (i.e. registered for the recent year) Life-grade members (Life Member (LM) or Life Senior (LS) or Life Fellow (LF) ) who are members of the Section involved for a minimum of 6 months
- Business plan: incl. mission/goals and planned activities
- Endorsements:
  - It is proposed that the Section Chair should be informed preliminarily
  - but all endorsers (Section Chair, Regional Director, LMC Chair) will be contacted online and the endorsements will be collected by the Petition Team
Petition to Form and IEEE Affinity / Joint Affinity Group

- Organizer
  - The Organizer is the person who submits the Petition
  - The Organizer will be the Interim Chair (first Chair) of the LMAG
  - This is the reason, the Organizer should be Life-grade member (LM or LS or LF)

- Co-Organizer:
  - It is possible to appoint a Co-Organizer, e.g. Membership Development Chair of the Section who takes care of the administrative process of the Petition if requested
Affinity Group Information

- Name of the Geographic Parent
  - Your Section

- Please Select the Type of Affinity Group:
  - Life Member

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- Consultants Network
- Life Member
- Women In Engineering
- Young Professionals
The next slide contains some hints about preparing the Business Plan

Please don't paste and copy the hints

Please adapt the hints to your specific circumstances and to the ideas as well as wishes of the membership of the to be formed LMAG

Please highlight the specific program ideas if there are any

Please complete all four paragraphs of this section
1. Motivation
   - „Experience does not go on retreat“......with your own words

2. List of activities
   - Social events, technical presentation events, company and institute tours, events with invited lecturers.....

3. Accomplishments....
   - At least one administrative and technical meeting and a technical tour.
   - Establishing contact with other organization units of the Section

4. Support
   - Main support is the activity od the Life members of the Section
   - Some financial support from Section and / or Life Members Committee
Geographic Parent Executive Committee Endorsement

- Complete Full Name and Email of your Section Chair

- Signatures
  - After finishing the online „get signatures“ process, you may submit the petition
  - FYI, „get signatures“ means that the eligible petitioners will be pulled by the Petition Team based on the criteria (see below) automatically
  - It is possible to email the list (Name and IEEE Member Number) of eligible petitioners to petition@ieee.org. This may shorten the „get signature“ and approval processes
  - CRITERIA of ELIGIBLE PETITIONERS: six (6) active Life-grade Members who are members of the Section involved for a minimum of six (6) months
Thank you for your kind attention

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