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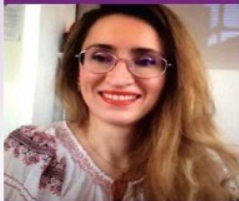
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Our main drivers for WIE in R8

- VITALITY
- AWARENESS & PRESENCE
- ENGAGEMENT
- ACTIVE PARTICIPATION
- DIRECT AND CONTINUOUS CONTACT TO MEMBERS

Main objectives of WIE in R8 (I)

- Active and vibrant WIE AGs
- Increase vitality of AGs by:
 - Getting closer to the active AGs
 - Identifying and revitalizing dormant AGs
 - Creating AGs in the remaining sections with the help of Section Chairs
- Awards:
 - Increase the awareness about R8 WIE programs and awards, and engaging WIE members
 - Define clear and transparent selection criteria of awards
- Establish WIE participation and visibility in R8 flagship events
- Increase the WIE membership in R8 and continue the growing trend achieved in 2017

Main objectives of WIE in R8 (II)

- Identify women leaders in STEM and create a new program and award to encourage leaders in Technology, and rank them as experts or models to other IEEE Women in technology.
- Encourage IEEE STEM conferences in R8 to have Women as organizing members (not only Secretaries or designers!), scientific members and plenary talk speakers.
- Propose a new program (like TISP) in order to develop in young girls, during their first education life, the mind of engineer and guide their tendencies towards engineering passion and studies

Short-, mid- & long terms plans

Short term:

- Get in touch with WIE section AG and WIE Std AG to promote WIE programs and awards
- Update the Roster of R8 WIE AGs and send messages to verify the vitality of existing groups
- Establish contact with Section Chairs for Sections with no AG to create one
- Encourage IEEE STEM conferences in R8 to have Women as organizing members (not only Secretaries or designers!), scientific members and plenary talk speakers
- Providing more help for the WIE ILS hosts from the R8

Short-, mid- & long terms plans

Mid term:

- Revitalize dormant AGs, find out what our members expectations and needs are, create programs that better serve the needs of our members
- Identify women leaders in STEM and create a new program and award to encourage leaders in Technology, and rank them as experts or models to other IEEE Women in technology
- Establish an efficient communication platform to support existing WIE AGs and guide the people who would like to create a new WIE AG.

How? Via:

- Regular webinars to reach out members/chairs of WIE AGs
- A survey to establish communication channels and find out about expectations of members

Short-, mid- & long terms plans

Long term:

- Propose a new program (like TISP) in order to develop in young girls, during their first education life, the mind of engineer and guide their tendencies towards engineering passion and studies

Participation of IEEE WIE R8 in events 2021

List of events for 2021

- EUROCON 2021, 6-8 July 2021, Lviv, Ukraine /hybrid
- AFRICON 2021, 13-15 September 2021, Arusha, Tanzania
- Gulf Cooperation Council SYP
- Central European SYP
- West European SYP
- Nordic SYP
- Hellenic SYP
- African SYP
- Middle East SYP
- 2x WIE ILS 2021 participation
- Other conferences (e.g. 2021 IEEE PES ISGT Europe, 24th European Microwave Week 2021, Power Africa 2021)

Communication plan within our team

- Monthly team webco (Google Meet) for internal discussion and status update (Our kick-off meeting took place on 28th of January 2021)
- Main communication per E-Mail + WhatsApp group when needed
- High empowerment of team members
- Transparency and coordination between team members

Thank you!

Questions?