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From the Regional Director

Hallo, Hallo!

The primary reason why electrical engineers in Region 8 join the IEEE is to obtain personal access to its Publications and Standards; a secondary reason is to participate in Meetings and Conferences. Membership growth in the Regions outside the North America has strengthened the international image of the Institute, and membership of the IEEE is considered a recognition of professional status.

Increasing the Number of Chapters

In order to serve the needs of members living in those countries that make up the Region, the Societies and the Regional Committee encourage the establishment of both new chapters and new sections.

According to the Bylaws a petition for the formation of a section shall be signed by at least 50 members other than students. The Director will only recommend the formation of a section when there is a group of members able to stimulate support sufficient to ensure the viability of the proposed section.

Twelve signatures are sufficient for the establishment of a chapter, provided that there is a section willing to approve it. In countries where a section is not established, it is possible to associate a chapter with a section in a neighbouring country.

In September the Electronic Devices Society invited all chapter chairs to a Region 8 Chapters meeting in The Hague. Of 25 EDS Chapters 17 are joint chapters with the Antennas & Propagation Society the Microwave Theory and Techniques Society and/or the Communications Society. Within the last year six new chapters were formed in East European Countries, where interest is high; the difficulties of paying membership dues are obvious.

The Region 8 Committee wishes to strengthen section and chapter activities in the Region. International workshops are already organized by many Societies, but Workshops and Summer Schools could be joint ventures between the Region, the sections and the Societies, the Chapters being responsible for the technical level. By choosing the location for such events carefully, it should be possible to attract participants within a radius of 100 km for a workshop or summer school, thereby reducing transportation costs. The topic for these events must be central to the chapter in charge, and the programme must include local specialists as well as Distinguished Speakers from the relevant Society. Budapest, Prague, St. Petersburg and Warsaw might be suitable locations. All sections and chapters could consider this proposal; comments would be welcome.

Organisational Improvement

All sections have received the material prepared by the IEEE for improving the Institute's organisation; the Regional Director has had some feedback from the section chairs at the last Regional Committee meeting. From the members' point of view, membership services, including renewals, publications and meetings are essential. The organizational structure of the higher levels of the IEEE is of minor interest so long as the Member Services are performed effectively. With the consequences of the reorganization of the IEEE Information System clearly in mind, radical changes in the Organizational Structure must be avoided. We are convinced, that the present structure must remain unchanged, and that minor modifications to the its organisation will accomplish the desired objectives regarding Membership Services.

The final choice among the four scenarios will be made by the Board of Directors in December 1995; membership renewal procedures too should be investigated. How can the peak load in October -December be distributed throughout the year? Rolling membership periods can easily be administered in a modern Information System. If desired, journal back issues could be provided from the beginning of a year; the membership period would then be the calendar year. If membership dues are not paid in time, for the following three months a member should be reminded twice, during which period full services would be maintained. In this way termination of membership would be made quarterly, and all members would pay full annual dues and fees.

The Brussels Office

The aim of the IEEE "Satellite" offices in Brussels is to decentralize membership services. For Region 8 members it is attractive to contact the Brussels office, provided that there is an "on-line" operational connection to the Information System in Piscataway. It must be possible to change society memberships and subscriptions fast and effectively, to obtain instant information about membership status and to order publications and Press Books from stock in Brussels. The Brussels office staff should be increased but in the long term, decentralisation would reduce the cost of Membership Services.

Editorial Committee for Region 8 News

The Region 8 Committee has for some time discussed ways to support the Editor of Region 8 News, Mick Byford in his remarkable efforts to improve the content and the layout of the "News". It was decided that an Editorial Advisory Committee should be formed in order to assist the Editor by providing material of interest to R8 News readers. Mick Byford has demonstrated a remarkable dedication to the development of Region 8 News, but we must be prepared in due course to find a successor.. I strongly encourage members in our Region to volunteer for service on the Editorial Advisory Committee.

EDS Region 8 Chapters Meeting

The IEEE Electron Devices Society invited all chapter chairs in Region 8 to the 3rd Chapters meeting in The Hague on September 24 1995 - held in conjunction with the European Solid-State Device Research Conference. As the EDS has had *continued on p3 Col.1*

Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers Regional Director: Prof. P. Martin Larsen

Student Activities

By Professor Levent Onural

The Undergraduate Student Paper Contest 1996

The contest will be associated with MELECON 96 in Bari, Italy, May 13-16th. Submissions must reach me by 15th December. An international jury will judge and rank the papers; the authors of the best will be invited to Bari. The travel and accommodation expenses of one author for each invited paper will be paid by Region 8. The winners of the 1995 contest were:

1st - "Analog Design and Realisation of a Kohnen Map using SOI> Technology" by Henri de la Valle Poussin and Thierry Delmot -Belgium.

2nd - "The Use of Acoustic Resonance in Measuring the Level of Fluids" by Denis Donlargic - Slovenia.

3rd - "Non-linear Perceptual Post Processing of Noisy Digital Pictures" by Olivier Bruyndonclx, Belgium

Communication

The communication problem was the principal issue at the spring '95 meeting of the SAC. If you are willing to construct your own web-page and do not have sufficient disk capacity, please contact sb.bilkent@ieee.org

Student Branch Grants

Region 8 allocates funds to support student activities in the Region; if you have plans for some activities and you need additional funds, please apply to me in advance - at least two months notice is necessary.

Lend a Hand

For a variety of reasons there may be students with no branch; would you be willing to lend them a hand to prepare the initial paperwork so that they could

form a branch; you could receive \$200 US for your own branch.

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which will take place on 2nd May 1996. The branch looks forward to joint cooperation with other student branches, especially in GCC. countries Student Branch Chairman: Mr. Jassim Al-Harmad, University of Bahrain, College of Engineering, Dept of Electrical Engineering, PO Box 32038, Isa Town - State of Bahrain. Tel: 688308. Fax: 686300

Turkey

By Dr. Ayhan Altintas,

Much to our regret, our Section Chairman Dr. Mehmet Ali Tan had to leave our Section; since he has obtained a new job in California. We wish him all the best in the New World, and we will remember him for all his dedicated work for the IEEE Turkey Section.

Two important pieces of news for our section are the awards received by our members, Prof. Bulent Orencik (from ITU Istanbul) has received the Outstanding Branch Counsellor Award and Mr. Ayhan Bozkurt (from Bilkent University, Ankara) has received the Larry K. Wilson Award.

Bahrain Students By Jassim Al-Hamad

The student branch at the University of Bahrain was approved by the Regional Activities Board a few months ago. The Branch has organised some activities and is planning others as listed below.

Previous Activities

- Seminar on "World Wide Web & the Information Super Highway"
- A visit to the Power Station of Bahrain Aluminium Company - ALBA.
- A visit to ABB ARESCON E.C. for process automation in

Bahrain

Forthcoming Activities

A visit to King Saude University in Riyadh (Saudi Arabia) will take place either in November 1995 or April 1996. The programme will be as follows:

- Visiting the research centre at the University
- Visiting the Al-Janadreya earth station in Riyadh, for the ARABSAT satellite
- Visiting the Advanced Micro-electronic Company at Rivadh
- Holding some meetings with IEEE Student Branch members at the University

Some members will be sponsored to attend the first Bahrain International Conference on Computers in Industry. Between 6-89th November 1995.

Scheduled seminars every two weeks starting from October 1995; presented by University Instructors, Engineers from Industry and the branch students.

Scheduled visits to various companies. Currently the branch is working on the organisation of the "First Student Projects Symposium on Electrical, Electronics Engineering and Computer Science"

The procedure for the establishment of an Engineering Manage-

ment Society chapter is almost completed,. The first event of this new chapter will be to extend technical co-operation to a UNESCO sponsored meeting; "International Conference on Technology Management".University/Industry/Government Collaboration-U-NIG '96" will be held in Istanbul, during June 24-26, I996 under the patronage of His Excellency Süleyman Demirel, President of the Republic of Turkey. If you are interested in this event, please send a message to unig@boun.edu.tr or a fax to +90-212-287 24 65.

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Organized by:

UNESCO Chair on Mechatronics at Boğazici University,

Under the Patronage of

His Excelllency Süleyman Demirel,

President of the Republic of Turkey

Within the Framework of:

UNESCO UNISPAR (University-Industry-Science Partnership)

Program

Objectives and the Theme

The main objective of this conference is to explore the means and

instruments to establish effective and lasting University/Industry/

Government collaboration in technology management and to present case studies in this respect. The barriers that may hinder such a fruitful

The scope of the conference will include -but not be limited to- the

following: Development and management of institutions such as

industrial parks, high-tech corridors and incubators, R&D incentives and

technology transfer mechanisms for small and medium sized firms,

entrepreneurship and financial instruments, transfer and diffusion of

technology, development of R&D consortia, development of legal and

procedural frameworks, management of innovation, technological

systems, projects and engineers and scientists, and environmentally

sound technolo-gies. For more information, please contact: UNESCO Chair on Mechatronics at Boğaziçi University, Fax: +90-212-287 2465,

Abstracts are due by: 5 January 1996

Notification of Acceptance: 1 March 1996

Full Papers are due by: 21 April 1996

collaboration will also be deliberated upon

e-mail: kaynak @ boun.edu.tr.

Silicon Technology and Submicron Processing.

The Technische Universität Wien, Vienna, Austria, Department of Electrical Engineering, invites applications for the newly endowed position of

Full Professor Semiconductor Technology

The holder of the chair will be responsible for both teaching (English/German) and research. The successful applicant should have extensive experience in Silicon Technology and Submicron Processing. Outstanding scientific qualifications, teaching abilities, and industrial or industry related activities are essential. A Ph.D. in electrical engineering or in related areas is a formal requirement (A working knowledge of German would be appreciated).

The Technische Universität Wien is an equal opportunity employer and strongly invites women to apply.

Send applications, including curriculum vitae, list of publications, reprints of three significant articles, and the two most recent articles, list of courses held (ifapplicable), and a summary of current research activities to Prof. Dr. Alexander Weinmann, Dean, Department of E.E., T.U.Wien, Gusshausstraße 27-29/350, A1040 Wien, Austria, not later than February 15, 1996.

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a large increase in the number of chapters in Region 8: from 8 to 25 since 1993, EDS wants to ensure that new chapters are successful and in general support the activities of the Region. The Director expressed his appreciation of the EDS Regional support and the importance of close co-operation between the chapters in the Region; he suggested that the Region and the Societies should organise joint Regional Workshops and Summer Schools with local Chapters.

Agreement with National Societies

In several countries the IEEE has an agreement with the National Electrical Engineering Society. The IEEE President is systematically seeking new national partners, because the Institute wishes both to improve relations with national societies and to stimulate joint memberships.



President Marie Davidson of the South Africa Institute of Electrical Engineers and Professor Peer Martin Larsen of the IEEE, sign the agreement between the two institutions

This agreement was signed on August 16th 1995 by the SAIEE President Marie Davidson and the Region 8 Director Peer Martin Larsen. The Agreement outlines the advantages for members of both Societies as Visiting Members, Joint Activities, Coordination of Technical Meetings, Publications Exchange, Standards Information, and discounts on membershipdues for members of both institutions

Peer Martin Larsen - Director Region 8

Membership Development 1996

By Professor. Dr. -Ing. Walter E. Proebster

The key goal of Membership Developmentis to maintain and improve the service to IEEE members; to which end the recruitment of new members is of the utmost importance; only in this way can we draw upon an increasingly wide pool of expertise which new entrants can share with us.

The centre two pages of this issue of Region 8 News contain an application form for 1996. You will notice that the form applies to both post graduate members and to students; it contains for the first time a complete list of all the magazines, transactions and technical journals published by the IEEE Societies, all of these are available at reduced prices to Society members. The importance of this new approach is that almost all of our members join the IEEE because of the quality of its publications

Please try to recruit at least one new member. As an incentive, prizes will be awarded to those members who are most successful in fulfilling the goals of this membership drive - just add your name and membership number to the foot of the last page of the form. If you need more information, please contact me.

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Industrial Sensor Systems

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Full Professor

Industrial Sensor Systems

The holder of the chair will be responsible for both teaching (English/German) and research. The prospective candidate is expected to have extensive experience in the area of Industrial Electronics with an emphasis on Sensors. Outstanding scientific qualifications, teaching abilities, and industrial or industry-related research activities are essential. A Ph.D. degree in electrical engineering or in a related area is required. (A working knowledge of German will be appreciated).

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Send applications including curriculum vitae, a list of publications, reprints of three significant articles, and the two most recent articles, a list of courses held (if applicable) and a summary of current research activities to Prof. Dr. Alexander Weinmann, Dean, Department of EE, T.U.Wien, Gusshausstraße 27-29/350 A1040 Wien, Austria, not later than February 15, 1996).

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Voluntary Contributions Fund

The Region 8 Committee is again asking members in our Region to make a voluntary contuibution when renewing their membership this year; this is to enable us to provide financial assistance to Sections in Central and Eastern Europe

In the past two years Region 8 has matched the funds donated by members and has paid for IEEE books and journals to be sent to 15 libraries in countries ranging from Albania and Belarus, to Latvia, Romania and Russia. We have also helped members to attend conferences and made grants towards the establishment of Section offices in Budapest and Moscow. Last year over 500 members contributed an average of \$10. Please give us your support.

> C.W.Turner Past Director Region 8 IEEE

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Surplus IEEE Publications for East Europe

To: Professor C.W.Turner. Dept of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, King's College. Strand, London, England WC2R 2LS. Fax: +44 71 836 4781

I wish to donate to a library in Central & Eastern Europe, publications for which I no longer have a need; (a) on this single occasion or (b) regularly *(please delete as appropriate)*. Below I have marked those Societies whose publications I can send; please let me have details of a library which the Region 8 survey indicates would benefit from receiving them.

Please print in block capitals

Title, Initials and Name.....

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Technical Societies S	-Code	Technical Societies	S-Code
Aerospace, Electronic Systems	010	Information Theory	012
Antennas & Propagation	003	Instrumentation, Measure.	009
Broadcast Technolog	002	Lasers & Electro-optics	036
Circuits & Systems	004	Magnetics	033
Communications	019	Microwave Theory, Tech.	017
Components, Packing, Manuf.T	ech 021	Nuclear & Plasma Sci.	005
Computer	016	Consumer Electronics	008
Oceanic Engineering	022	Power Electronics	035
Control Systems	023	Dielectrics & Elect. Ins.	032
Power Engineering	031	Education	025
Electromag.Compatibility	024	Robotics & Automation	024
Electron Devices	015	Signal Processing	001
Engineering Management	014	Social Implications of Tech	030
Engineering in Medicine	018	Systems, Man and Cyber.	028
Geoscience & Remote	029	Ultrasonics, Ferroelec. Etc	020
Industrial Electronics	013	Vehicular Technology	006
Industry Applications	034	Reliability	007



Invited papers by international experts who will present the latest developments in this rapidly changing area of communication engineering. Each regional session will contain five or six presentations by well-known workers from that region. Topics include, wireless access, mobility and resource management, wireless ATM, services and security aspects and integration with fixed broadband networks such as B-ISDN

Day 1 5th February. a.m.

Panel Discussion: "What is the Wireless Multi-Media?" Organiser: Juha Rapeli - Nokia Mobile Phones

p.m. European point of view and activities Organiser: Hamid Aghvami - King's College London

Evening Social Event

Day 2. 6th February a.m.

"North American points of view and activities" Organiser: Dipankar Raychaudhuri - NEC USA

p.m. Japanese points or view and activities Organiser Ryuji Kohno - Yokohama National University

This is a unique opportunity to hear what is happening all over the world from those who are doing it. A detailed programme is available; to obtain a copy and a registration form contact:

Dr. Babak Jafarian, Centre for Telecommunications Research, King's College London, Strand London, WC2R 2LS. Tel: +44 171 873 2898. Fax: +44 171 873 2664 E-mail: babak@eee.kcl.ac.uk

Slovenia

By Professor Baldomir Zajc

The Fourth Elecotrotechnical and Computer Conference - ERK'95 was held on September 25-27, 1995 in Portoroz, Slovenia.

This is becoming an every-year meeting of professionals from different fields and the event is serving to foster cross-fertilisation among the interests of the many professional societies in this country

Apart from an overview of this year's research results there were also several invited papers dealing with continuing education, round tables discussing a variety of interesting subjects, amongst which were professional and technological questions, international cooperation educational programmes, finance, employment and so on.

As more and more authors come to the conference, we see that a forum is needed where researchers present their work, discuss subjects of common interest and consider future scientific projects. Young scientists want to acquire confidence and practice the presentation of their work to a wider scientific audience.

The programme of the Conference was divided into twelve specialized groups, among which were:

Electronics, Telecommunications, Control and Simulation, Identification, Modelling, Power Engineering and Measurements: these papers appeared in Volume A of the Conference Proceedings. In Volume B were: Computer and Informatics Science, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Pattern Recognition, Biomedical Engineering and Numerical Methods. In all there were 31 sessions and 248 accepted papers.

Participants from industry were interested in the results of research work reported at the Conference; R & D is beginning to appreciate the fields in which research is required, and then transferring them to industry, with additional discussion on the decisions which have to be taken in the interests of employment. The E.R.K. Conference is the ERK is the electrical and computer congress of this country.

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Bulgaria

By Dr. Hristo Hristov

For some years many Bulgarian engineers have been individual members of the IEEE. After a petition was signed by 57 members the Bulgaria Section was approved in June this year. In the meantime a Joint Chapter MTT/EC was also approved. The Section Bylaws were prepared and submitted for approval.

Contact was established with the National Union of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. The near future activities of the Section and the Chapter are the election of a Section Committee, and membership development. The contact address of the Section and the Chapter is: *Dr. Jordan Kolev, Interim Chair of the Bulgaria Section, E-mail:*

k114@tu-varna.bg Hristo Hristov, Interim Chair of the Joint Chapter MTT/ED. E-mail: hristov@radio.tu-varna.bg

Greece - 25th Anniversary

By Professor George Stassinopoulos

The Greece Section celebrates this year its first 25 years of existence. On November 13th we shall have the honour and pleasure of hearing our invited speaker Professor Michael Athans of M.I.T.

"Control: The Adventure Continues"

At a small reception to follow the lecture, past chairmen and members will exchange ideas about the past and future plans for our Section.

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UKRI (MTT/ED/AP/LEO chapter)

By Mr. Terry H. Oxley

Attention is drawn to the following Chapter events of international interest:--

• Three consecutive Microwave/Optoelectronic oneday events planned cooperatively by the IEEE and the national IEE:

• Monday 27th November 1995. "EDMO95" at King's College London. 3rd International Workshop on "High Performance Electron Devices for Microwave & Optoelectronic Applications". Registration and programme information is available from Dr. Ali A. Rezazadeh, Dept. of Electronic & Electrical Engineering, King's College, Strand, London WC2R 2LS UK. Tel:+44 171-87 3-2879. Fax: +44 171-836-4781. E-mail:a.rezazadeh-@bay.cc.kcl.ac.uk

• Tuesday 28th November 1995 "**MMIC Design**" at IEE Savoy Place, London. 2nd Tutorial Colloquium on the design of MMIC circuits. Registration and programme information is available from Ms Alison Dewhurst, Electronics Division, IEE Savoy Place, London WC2R OBL. Tel: +44 -171-344-5423. Fax: +44-171-497-3633. E-mail:adewhurst@iee.org.uk.

• Wednesday 29th November 1995 "**M3COM**" at IEE Savoy Place, London. Workshop on "Microwave & Millimetrewave Communications - the wireless revolution" Registration and programme information is available from Dr. I. D. Robertson, The Communications Research Group, Dept. of Electrical Engineering King's College, Strand London WC2R 2LS UK. Tel:+44 171-87 3-2523. Fax:+44-171-836-4781. E-mail:udee2O6@bay.cc.kcl.ac.uk.

• Two-day event planned cooperatively by the Chapter and ISHM-UK:

• 10th & llth June 1996 "ICET96" at Ramada Hotel Heathrow, London. 2nd International Conference on "Electronics Technologies" with a focus on the themes of microwave materials, devices and applications. CALL FOR PAPERS - abstracts by 30th November 1995 information is available from ICET96 ISHM-UK, 13 Firlands, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 9SB UK.

Tel: +44 1344-301491. Fax: +44 1344-481988.

For further information please contact the Chapter Chairman: Mr. Terry H Oxley, "Tremont", Back Lane, Halam, Southwell, Newark, Notts NG22 8AG. Tel:+44 1636-815510. Fax:+44 1636-815865.



An der Fakultät für Elektrotechnik der Technischen Universität Wien ist am Institut für Elektrische Meßtechnik ab 1.Okt.'96 die Planstelle eines/einer

Ordentlichen Universitäts professors/professorin für

Elektrische Meß-und Schaltungstechnik

(Nachfolge Prof. Patzelt) zu besetzen.

• Es wird eine Persönlichkeit gesucht, die dieses Fach in Lehre (Deutsch und Englisch) und Forschung vertritt. Mehrjährige Erfahrungen in einigen der folgenden Gebiete

> Elektrische Meßtechnik und Meßsysteme, Analoge und digitale Schaltungstechnik, EMV-gerechte Systemtechnik, Qualitässicherung.

eine hervorragende wissenschaftliche Qualifikation, didaktische Fähigkeiten und eine erfolgreiche industrielle oder industrienahe Forschungstcltigkeit sind erforderlich.

• Gesetzliche Ernennungskriterien sind: ein in- oder ausändisches facheinschlägiges Doktorat, eine in- oder ausländische facheinschlägige Lehrbefugnis oder eine gleichzuhaltende wissenschaftliche Befähigung und der Nachweis der pädagogischen Eignung.

• Die Technische Universität Wien strebt eine Erhöhung des Frauenanteils an ihrem Personalstand an und lädt daher facheinschlägig qualifizierte Wissenschaftlerinnen ausdrücklich zur Bewerbung ein.

Bewerbungen sind bis 31. Dezember 1995 unter Beifügung eines Lebenslaufes, einer Liste der Publikationen und Vorträge, von Sonderdrucken der fünf wichtigsten Veröffentlichungen, gegebenenfalls einer Liste der abgehaltenen Lehrveranstaltungen und einer Übersicht der laufenden Forschungsvorhaben an den Dekan der Fakultät für Elektrotechnik der Technischen Universität Wien, Prof. Dr. Alexander Weinmann, Gußhausstraße 27-29/350, A-1040 Wien zu richten (Fax-++43 1 505 89 07, emall- weinmann@iert.tuwlen.ac.at).

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Chapter Coordination Committee

by Professor Basil Papadias

The Chapter Co-ordination Committee is entering a period of maturity and this is reflected in its current activities. Annual meetings of Chapter Chairmen are regular events in all coordinated Chapter sectors, this being a positive and fundamental step in the progress of coordination. Links with the relevant Societies are strengthening, all Chapter Coordinators attending the AdBd or ExBd meetings of their Societies, once every year, principally held in U.S.A. Almost all Chapter Co-ordinators draw funds from their Societies to support, totally or partially the annual Chapter Chairmen's meetings.

By September 15th, 10 new Chapters were established in the Region mainly ED and MTT; 5 are in Russia, Ukraine, Bulgaria and Hungary. The total number of Chapters in the Region now 136, of which 27 were established during the last 12 months - a 25% increase.

There has been a considerable effort on the part of the Chapter Coordinators to initiate Chapter activity in the central and eastern European countries where the IEEE was either minimal or nonexistent. The MTT Society has set up a 3-year scheme for establishing new Chapters in Russia, Ukraine and Bulgaria, the detailed plan providing for the creation of 6 joint MTT-ED chapters, on a 50-50 financial basis. The CCC, through Andre Vander Vorst, will support that activity by allocating \$1200 US from the 1995 budget. Three Chapters have been established (Lithuania, Russia, and the Ukraine) and the other 3 (Bulgaria and two in Russia) are in formation.

Several petitions are under way for the establishment of new chapters (CAS chapter in France, PE chapters in Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Russia, ED chapter in Hungary). Close to formation are CAS chapters in Denmark, Spain and Portugal. There is some chance for the formation of CAS chapters in Warsaw and Budapest. There is also interest from former Soviet countries in organising Communication Chapters.

Annual Chapter Chairs meetings, of all coordinated chapters, were held during the year, organized by the Chapter Coordinators in various cities, in conjunction with International Conferences associated with the respective Societies. I refer to chapter meetings of MTT in Bologna, PE chapters in Stockholm last June, of the Electron Devices in the Hague, of the Industrial Electronics and Robotics Chapters in Istanbul, and of the Circuit & Systems in Seattle. The PES has supported for the 5 last years the PE Chapter Chairs meetings of Region 8, by reimbursing the travel and accommodation expenses of the participants, with amounts up to \$6,000 US annually.

These annual meetings help to develop contacts among chapters of different countries, help chapters improve their activities, coordinate their collaboration and contribute in the development of joint activities. Moreover, they establish platforms of common activities, and enable participants to share ideas and experience. Electronic mail has made the mechanics of Chapter Coordination much easier, but it cannot replace face-to-face meetings. Personal contacts, discussions, and the exchange of thoughts and experience, is a proven way of fostering understanding between societies belonging to different countries but sharing common targets and values. Chapter Chairmen need advice and help; the annual Chapter Chairmen's meetings provide them with information: how to obtain money from their Society, to prepare a report, to participate in the distinguished lecturers programme, and so on.

A central Chapter coordination may not solve every problem, but it does assist the progress of Chapter activities. The number of chapters in the Region has shown a spectacular increase. The interest which the Societies take in their Chapters has increased and financial support has been forthcoming. An increase in the Chapter activities is already apparent; however, it takes time to develop fully. This effort is a long-term project - we are still working on the infrastructure.

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Region 8 Volunteer Award

By Professor E. Folke Bolinder

The selection committee for this award met on 5th May 1995 in Dublin; the committee consisted of:

Professor Charles Turner:: Past Director Region 8

Mr. Basil Osborne: Secretary Region 8 - a Past Director

Professor E. Folke Bolinder: - Awards & Recognitions - a Past Director There were three candidates: the selected candidate was:

Professor. Dr. Wieslaw J. Seruga (Poland)

1979-83 Vice-chairman - MD Committee

1983-89 Chairman - Poland Section

1989-93 Junior Past Chairman - Poland Section

1993- Chairman - Power Eng./Industry Applications Joint Chapter

During the years 1973-92, as Director of the Electrotechnical Institute in Warsaw, Professor Seruga played a very active role in the development of the Poland Section

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OCEAN CITIES, the first International Symposium on Ocean Cities, November 20-23, 1995 in Monaco. The aim of the "Ocean Cities" symposium is, first to develop a schedule of events to be adopted, and second, to set up an international lobby capable of taking on and putting into action a large-scale programme of this type. Contact: Ocean Cities'95 General Secretary, SEE, 48 rue de la Procession, 75 724 Paris Cedex 15 - Phone: + 33 1 44 49 60 60 - Telex: SEE 200656 F. Fax : + 33 1 44 49 60 44.

Mediterranean Workshop on Coding and Information Integrity will be held on February 26-28th 1996 at Palma de Mallorca, Spain. This workshop is sponsored by the Balearic Island Government, UIB, ERCIM, IEEE French and Israeli Chapters on Information Theory, ENST (France), INRIA (France), CNRS (France). Contact: M. Jose Luis Ferrer. Phone: + 34 71 28 75; Fax: + 34 7117 30 03. E-email: dijjfg@ps.uib.es.

IEEE SIMC-9 9th Conference on Semiconducting and Insulating Materials, sponsored by the Electron Devices Society, will be held from April 29th - May 3rd 1996 in Toulouse, France. Deadline for submission of texts : January 15th, 1996. Contact: Ms. Josianne Sutra, CEMES/CNRS, 29 rue Jeanne Marring, BP 4347, 31 055 Toulouse Cedex, France. Phone : + 33 62 25 78 00. Fax : 33 62 25 79 99; or the Conference Service Department at IEEE Service Center; at: + 1 908 562 3878.

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FROM OTHER CHAPTERS. - EMC Society.

Dr. Ferdy Mayer, President of the IEEE EMC Chapter in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, was elected chairman of the International Activities Committee at the Board Meeting August 13, 1995.

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Compte rendu de la derniere assemblee generale.

L'Assemblée Générale de la Section Française s'est tenue le jeudi 15 juin 1995 à 19 heures à la Maison des Polytechniciens, 12 rue de Poitiers, 75 007 Paris. Le compte rendu de la précédente Assemblée Générale a été approuvé à l'unanimité.

Le rapport moral, présenté par M. Maurice PAPO, Président de la Section Française, a résumé les différentes activités de la Section pendant l'année 1994.

Le rapport financier, présenté par M. Jean-Gabriel HERRY, a reçu le quitus sur les comptes de l'année 1994.

M. Maurice PAPO a été retenu comme candidat pour la direction de la Région 8 par le Comité de Sélection.

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Le dîner, qui a suivi l'AG, a réuni - comme d'habitude - les membres présents avec leur conjoints. M. Michel CARPENTIER, Directeur de la DG XIII à l'Union Européenne, a fait une intervention sur la politique de l'Europe en matière de Technologies de l'Information.

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M. Claude GUEGUEN a reçu une récompense (award) de l'IEEE pour la création d'EURECOM à Sophia Antipolis.

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Pour toutes les informations, prière de contacter le Dr. Ferdy Mayer (IEEE EMC - S Chapitre) ; tél. (1) 44 49 60 00 ; fax : (1) 44 49 60 49 ; ou Dr. Berthon (SEE Club 25), tél. 45 14 13 13.

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