

**Unapproved Minutes of the
125th IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting
Saturday – Sunday, 18-19 October 2025
Hotel Rixos Premium, Dubrovnik, Croatia**

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Meeting Agenda

Day 1: Saturday, 18 October 2025, 9:00-16:30h CEST

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to order and welcome (Boskovic) 2. Housekeeping (Karadzinov) 3. Roll call (Karadzinov) 4. Approval of the agenda (Boskovic) 5. Approval of the consent agenda (Boskovic) 6. Anthony Davies – Obituary (Delimar) 7. IEEE President (Kramer) 8. MGA Managing Director address (Jankowski) 9. IEEE Foundation: Opportunities for actions (Delimar) 10. Local Groups: Opportunities for growing (Stasopoulos) 11. Cooperation with Societies, Technical Councils, and National Associations (Antoniou/Bebe) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. Coffee Break 10:30-11:00 13. Director's report (Boskovic) 14. Past Director's report (Piuri) 15. Zone Representative's report (Aliyu) 16. R8 Section vitality and development (Romanovs) 17. Treasurer report (Jastrzebski) 18. Group photo (Karadzinov) 19. Lunch 12:00-13:00 20. Vice Chair Technical Activities report (Tambosso) 21. Vice Chair Members Activities report (Kammoun) 22. Coffee Break 15:00-15:30 23. Breakout Sessions - Strategy Planning (Boskovic) 24. Adjourn of the Day 1 (Boskovic) |
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Day 2: Sunday, 19 October 2025, 9:00-12:30h CEST

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 25. Call to order (Boskovic) 26. Vice Chair Students Activities report (Chatzinikolaou) 27. R8 Publications and communications (Wainwright) 28. Summary of Strategic Planning & discussion (Boskovic/Piuri) 29. Coffee Break 10:30-11:00 30. Election procedure (Piuri) 31. Director-elect: Presentations and Q&A (Piuri) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 32. Director-elect: discussion and vote (Piuri) 33. Announcing election results (Piuri) 34. Section Congress (Nagy) 35. Next meeting (Boskovic) 36. Old business (Boskovic) 37. New business (Boskovic) 38. Adjourn (Boskovic) 39. Lunch 12:30-13:30 |
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Attendance

R8 Committee voting members present:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Algeria Section Chair, Abdallah Kouzou 2. Austria Section Chair, Werner Drexel 3. Bahrain Section Chair, Ali Zolait 4. Benelux Section Vice-Chair, Francesco Fioranelli 5. Bosnia & Herzegovina Section Chair, Branko Blanusa 6. Bulgaria Section Chair, Todor Ganchev 7. Croatia Section Chair, Vinko Lešić 8. Cyprus Section Chair, Aikaterini Papanikolaou 9. Czechoslovakia Section Chair, Kristian Hengster-Movric 10. Denmark Section Chair, Amjad Anvari Moghaddam 11. Egypt Section Chair, Ahmed Madian 12. Estonia Section Vice-Chair, Yannick Le Moullec 13. Finland Section Chair, Mahdi Pourakbari Kasmaei 14. France Section Chair, Rene Garello 15. Germany Section Chair, Christoph Baer | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 16. Hungary Section Chair, Daniel Drexler 17. Israel Section Chair, Shmuel Auster 18. Italy Section Treasurer, Emiliano Schena 19. Jordan Section Chair, Mousa AL-Akhras 20. Kuwait Section Chair, Abdullah Alqallaf 21. Latvia Section Vice-Chair, Leonids Ribickis 22. Lebanon Section Vice Chair, Jacques Demerjian 23. Lithuania Section Chair, Borisas Levitas 24. Malta Section Chair, Conrad Attard 25. Mauritius Section Chair, Robert T F Ah King 26. Nigeria Section Chair, Ifeyinwa Achumba 27. North Macedonia Section Chair, Anastas Mishev 28. Oman Section Chair, Ahmed Al Maashri 29. Poland Section Chair, Marek Jasinski 30. Portugal Section Chair, Rodolfo A Oliveira |
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| 31. Serbia & Montenegro Section Chair, Mladen Koprivica | 41. R8 Director, Dusanka Boskovic |
| 32. Slovenia Section Chair, Joze Guna | 42. R8 Past Director, Vincenzo Piuri |
| 33. Spain Section Chair, Edgardo Castronuovo | 43. R8 Treasurer, Adam Jastrzebski |
| 34. Sweden Section Chair, Qinghua Wang | 44. R8 Secretary, Ljupco Karadinov |
| 35. Switzerland Section Chair, Almedin Kavaz | 45. R8 VC Member Activities, Habib Kammoun |
| 36. Tunisia Section Chair, Hassene Mnif | 46. R8 VC Student Activities, Theodoros Chatzinikolaou |
| 37. Turkey Section Chair, Nizamettin Aydin | 47. R8 VC Technical Activities, Tiziana Tambosso |
| 38. Ukraine Section Chair, Iryna Ivasenko | 48. R8 Zone Representative, Abdullateef Aliyu |
| 39. UAE Section Secretary, Husameldin Mukhtar | |
| 40. UK and Ireland Section Chair, Paul Cunningham | |

R8 Committee voting members absent:

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| 49. Belarus Section Chair, VACANT | 59. Romania Section Chair, VACANT |
| 50. Ghana Section Chair, Mensah Sitti | 60. Russia (Northwest) Section Chair, Victor Sheludko |
| 51. Greece Section Chair, Antonios Kladas | 61. Russia (Siberia) Section Chair, Grigorii Khazankin |
| 52. Iceland Section Chair, VACANT | 62. Russia Section Chair, Safin Ansar |
| 53. Iran Section Chair, Nosratollah Granpayeh | 63. Saudi Arabia (East) Section Chair, VACANT |
| 54. Iraq Section Chair, VACANT | 64. South Africa Section Secretary, Joyce Mwangama |
| 55. Kenya Section Chair, Stephen Okwiri | 65. Uganda Section Chair, VACANT |
| 56. Morocco Section Chair, Badr Eddine El Mohajir | 66. Western Saudi Arabia Section, VACANT |
| 57. Norway Section Chair, Kiran Raja | 67. Zambia Section Chair, Mpaisha Phiri |
| 58. Qatar Section Chair, VACANT | |

Committees of R8 members present:

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| 1. Andrejs Romanovs | Chair | Section Vitality & Development (svd) Committee |
| 2. Nick Wainwright | Chair | Publications & Communications (P&C) Committee |
| 3. Bojan Nikolic | Member | P&C Committee, R8 News Editor-in-Chief |
| 4. Maja Matijasevic | Member | P&C Committee, R8 News Past Editor-in-Chief |
| 5. Mohab Mangoud | Chair | Membership Development (MD) Committee |
| 6. Mohamed Saeed Darweesh | Chair | Young Professionals (YP) Committee |
| 7. Emna Amri | Chair | Women in Engineering (WiE) Committee |
| 8. Peter Magyar | Past Chair | Life Members (LM) Committee, IEEE LMC Member |
| 9. Samart Deo | Chair | Humanitarian Technology Activities (HTA) Committee |
| 10. Martin Bastiaans | Chair | History Activities (HA) Committee |
| 11. Lee Crudgington | Chair | Chapter Coordination (ChC) Committee |
| 12. Dalius Navakauskas | Chair | Professional and Educational Activities (PEA) Committee |
| 13. Mona Ghassemian | Chair | Standards Coordination |
| 14. Abdalrahman Mohammed Shadeed | | Region Student Representative |
| 15. Khaldoun Taktak | Member | SAC, Student Awards and Contests Ad-hoc Chair |
| 16. Martyna Borak | Member | SAC, Student Experience Portfolio Initiatives Ad-hoc Chair |
| 17. Andreas Koltes | Member | Finance Committee, VCF Coordinator |
| 18. Pascal Lorenz | Member | Finance Committee |
| 19. George Michael | Chair | Electronic Communications Team |
| 20. Aniko Szakal | Assistant Secretary | |

R8 volunteers/officers present:

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| 21. Isaac Adekanye | Africa Council Chair |
| 22. John Funso-Adebayo | R8 Director-Elect Candidate |
| 23. Ali Hessami | R8 Director-Elect Candidate |
| 24. Péter Nagy | R8 Director-Elect Candidate |
| 25. Kseniia Minakova | Clementina Saduwa Award Winner |

IEEE guests and meeting presenters:

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| 26. Kathleen Kramer | IEEE President & CEO |
| 27. Cecelia Jankowski | IEEE MGA Managing Director |
| 28. Marko Delimar | IEEE Foundation President |
| 29. Costas Stasopoulos | IEEE Local Groups AdHoc Chair |
| 30. Marios Antoniou | Cooperation with IEEE S/TCs and National Associations Chair |

Others IEEE guests present:

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| 31. Marc Beebe | IEEE Senior Director, Industry Engagement Committee Staff Lead |
| 32. Kathleen Weeks | IEEE Senior Corporate Development Manager, IEEE Africa Council support staff |
| 33. Maciej Borówka | IEEE MGA SAC Counselor and Advisor Committee Chair |

Others IEEE R8 volunteers present:

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| 34. Adel M. Alimi | IEEE Africa Council Past Chair |
| 35. Vincent Kaabunga | IEEE Africa Council Partnership Ad Hoc Chair |
| 36. Tomas Fryza | IEEE Czechoslovakia Section Secretary |
| 37. Thomas Kopfstedt | IEEE Germany Section Vice Chair |
| 38. Carlos Ferreira | IEEE Portugal Section Treasurer |
| 39. Brahim Mezghanni | IEEE Tunisia Section Vice-Chair (Chair-Elect) |
| 40. Tuncer Baykas | IEEE Türkiye Section Vice Chair |
| 41. Serhan Yarkan | IEEE Türkiye Section Secretary |
| 42. Murat Tümer | IEEE Türkiye Section SAC Chair |
| 43. Nicoleta Arghira | IEEE Romania SYP chair |
| 44. Marko Meža | IEEE Slovenia Secretary |
| 45. James Matthews | IEEE SA Past President |
| 46. Tony Zertuche | IEEE SA Sr. Director Global Market Engagement |

Local organizing team:

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| 47. Tomislav Jagušt | IEEE Croatia Section Vice Chair |
| 48. Ana Milas | IEEE Croatia Section Secretary |
| 49. Mirna Gržanić Antić | IEEE Croatia Section Treasurer |
| 50. Robert Milijaš | IEEE Croatia Section Student Activities |
| 51. Antea Grgić | IEEE Croatia Section Student Representative |

Meeting minutes

Day 1: Saturday, 18 October 2025

1. Procedural – Call to order and welcome (Boskovic)

Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director, calls the Committee to order at 09:08 h CEST and opens the 125th IEEE Region 8 Committee meeting.

2. Procedural – Housekeeping (Karadzinov)

Ljupco Karadzinov, Region 8 Secretary, presents the housekeeping rules, the meeting schedule and the social events.

3. Procedural – Roll call (Karadzinov)

Ljupco Karadzinov, Region 8 Secretary, takes a roll call of R8 Committee voting members and confirms there is a quorum of majority of the Section Chairs (40 out of 59) and also a total majority of all voting members (48 out of 67).

4. Motion – Approval of the agenda (Boskovic)

Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director, presents the proposed agenda. The agenda is approved unanimously.

5. Motion – Approval of the consent agenda (Boskovic)

Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director, presents the items in the consent agenda. The full texts of the motions are given as attachments in the appendixes of these minutes.

Motion 1: **Approval of the Minutes of the 124th IEEE Region 8 Committee meeting** with appendixes

Motion 2: **Approval of the IEEE Region 8 Action for Industry awards:**

Motion 2.1 Outstanding Section Achievement Award in Industry Activities

Motion 2.2 Outstanding Section Industry Ambassador Award

The consent agenda is **approved**.

6. Procedural – Anthony Davies-Obituary (Delimar)

Marko Delimar, IEEE Foundation President, presents the obituary for Anthony Christopher Davies, 1936-2025, IEEE Region 8 Director 2023-2024.

Dusanka Boskovic, IEEE Region 8 Director, presents the obituaries for Nihal Sinnadurai, 1941 – 2025, IEEE UK and Ireland Section Chair 2012–2013; and Branislava Perunicic (Drazenovic), 1936 – 2025, IEEE Bosnia and Herzegovina Section Chair 2005–2010.

7. Discussion – IEEE President (Kramer)

Kathleen Kramer, IEEE President & CEO, presents leveraging the “One IEEE” vision unifying the diverse components of IEEE into a more cohesive, collaborative, and impactful organization; the 2025 Ad Hoc Committees; seven guiding principles of the budget redesign process; the power of partnering; and empowering leaders to shape the future.

8. Discussion – MGA Managing Director address (Jankowski)

Cecelia Jankowski, MGA Managing Director, presents the MGA responsibilities; MGA priority projects and activities in 2025; MGA in One IEEE; IEEE membership statistics and almost reaching 500,000 membership milestone; Section election updates; GoogleApps@IEEE update and the recent increase of the provided storage space to 200 GB; and the opportunities and reach to multiple generations and special interests.

9. Discussion – IEEE Foundation: Opportunities for actions (Delimar)

Marko Delimar, IEEE Foundation President, presents the foundation core services benefiting IEEE’s Mission; 2024 financial highlights and the impact statistics YoY; program pillars; how to ask for support and supporting the IEEE Foundation.

10. Discussion – Local Groups: Opportunities for growing (Stasopoulos)

Costas Stasopoulos, IEEE MGA Local Groups Oversight Committee Chair, presents the 2020 and pre-2020 Local Group activities; key advantages and benefits of a Local Group; examples of Local Groups; and the latest developments.

11. Discussion – Cooperation with Societies, Technical Councils, and National Associations (Antoniou/Bebe)

Marc Beebe, Strategic Research & Corporate Activities Senior Director, and Marios Antoniou, Cooperation with IEEE S/TCs and National Associations AdHoc Committee Chair, present the National Society Agreements (NSAs); how to establish an NSA; the NSA Webpage; the 20 current R8 NSAs; and examples of joint activities.

12. Coffee Break 10:45-11:15

13. Discussion – Director's report (Boskovic)

Dusanka Boskovic, IEEE Region 8 Director, reports on her activities in the IEEE BoD, MGA Board, representing the Region 8 at events, as well as the in the Director Elect role supporting and overseeing the R8 P&C and R8 SVD Committees.

14. Discussion – Past Director's report (Piuri)

Vincenzo Piuri, IEEE Region 8 Past Director, reports about the activities of the R8 N&A, R8 Strategy and R8 A&R Committees.

15. Discussion – Zone Representative's report (Aliyu)

Abdullateef Aliyu, R8 Zone Representative, reports on his activities to meet the strategic goals for R8, expanding to the underserved communities, and support to the IEEE OUs including local currency membership dues payments.

16. Discussion – R8 Section Vitality and Development (Romanovs)

Andrejs Romanovs, R8 Section Vitality and Development Committee Chair, presents the requirements for Sections to hold elections and reporting according the MGA Operations Manual 9.13 to comply for the full rebate, as well as that 38 Sections and 7 Subsections in R8 shall organize ExCom elections in 2025. Then Romanovs presents motions for formation of the IEEE Kazakhstan Section, IEEE Senegal Subsection and IEEE Armenia Subsection. The full texts of the motions are given in the appendixes.

Motion 1: Approval of IEEE Kazakhstan Section

PROPOSED ACTION: Resolved that the IEEE Region 8 Committee approves the elevation of the IEEE Kazakhstan Subsection to the IEEE Kazakhstan Section with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of the country of Kazakhstan. The Organizer of the Petition will serve as the interim Section Chair pending the election later in 2026.

The motion is voted and **passes** unanimously.

Motion 2: Approval of IEEE Senegal Subsection

PROPOSED ACTION: Resolved that the Region 8 Committee approves the formation of Senegal Subsection with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of the country of Senegal.

The motion is voted and **passes** unanimously.

Motion 1: Approval of IEEE Armenia Subsection

PROPOSED ACTION: Resolved that the IEEE Region 8 Committee approves the formation of IEEE Armenia Subsection with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of the country of Armenia (IEEE Region 8 is the parent IEEE geographic unit).

The motion is voted and **passes** unanimously.

17. Discussion – Treasurer report (Jastrzebski)

Adam Jastrzebski, R8 Treasurer, presents the Treasurer’s and Financial Report including: the status of current activities; Assistant Treasurers having full operational access to IEEE R8 CB account starting Sep 2025; the danger of recent cyber-attacks; the use of NextGen Concur to claim expenses from this meeting; IEEE R8 Budget Report Oct 2025 – Revenue & Expenses; R8 Financial Position Oct 2025; and the Proposed Region 8 Budget 2026 v0.

Adam Jastrzebski, R8 Treasurer, presents a motion for approval of the 2026 R8 Budget v0. The full texts of the R8 Budget 2026 and the motion are given in the appendices.

Motion: Approval of the 2026 Region 8 budget v0

PROPOSED ACTION: RESOLVED that the 2026 Region 8 Budget v0 as presented shall be approved. This budget includes:

- A 2026 balanced budget without material surplus or loss.
- 2026 budget expenses of \$1,197,800.
- 2026 budget income of \$1,197,800 consisting of: actual annual income, anticipated grants and savings of \$680,320, accrual expenses of \$127,740, and \$389,740 transfer from 2025 accumulated reserves.

BUDGET PROPOSAL 2026 INCOME SUMMARY V0	\$
Existing Activities Including Grants and Savings	680,320
New Initiatives (Reserves)	389,740
Accrual Expenses from 2025	127,740
TOTAL AVAILABLE	1,197,800

R8 Nominal Code	BUDGET 2026 v0
Committee general Total	(\$750,200)
Region 8 Director Total	(\$31,000)
Region 8 Director-Elect Total	(\$7,000)
Region 8 Past-Director Total	(\$7,000)
Vice Chair for Technical Activities Total	(\$86,687)
Vice Chair for Member Activities Total	(\$84,687)
Vice Chair for Student Activities Total	(\$82,687)
Region 8 Secretary Total	(\$5,800)
Region 8 Treasurer Total	(\$15,000)
Expenses from previous year budget Total	(\$127,740)
Budget Expenses Total	(\$1,197,800)

The motion is **approved** unanimously.

18. Group photo (Karadzinov)

The group photo is taken on the stairs in front of the hotel meeting room at 12:00 h CEST.



19. Lunch 12:05-13:05

20. Discussion – Vice Chair Technical Activities report (Tambosso)

Tiziana Tambosso, R8 VC Technical Activities, presents the R8 technical activities goals and KPIs, the activities highlights and the plans 2025-early 2026. Then she invites the Chairs of the Committees of R8 under her portfolio to present their respective activities:

1. Rene Garelo, Conference Coordination Committee Chair
2. Lee Crudgington, Chapter Coordination Committee Chair
3. Dalius Navakauskas, Professional and Educational Activities Committee Chair
4. Tiziana Tambosso, on behalf of Nihel Ben Youssef, Action for Industry Committee Chair

Tambosso also invites the Chairs of the three AdHoc Committees under her portfolio to present the recent activities:

1. Mona Ghassemian, Standards Coordination AdHoc Committee Chair
2. René Garelo, Climate Change AdHoc Committee Co-Chairs
3. Marios Antoniou, Cooperation with IEEE S/TCs and National Associations AdHoc Committee Chair

21. Discussion – Vice Chair Members Activities report (Kammoun)

Habib Kammoun, R8 Vice-Chair Member Activities, presents the Membership Activities team and the R8 IEEE membership statistics summary and the activities highlights. Then he invites the Chairs of the Committees of R8 under his portfolio to present their respective activities:

1. Mohab Mangoud, Membership Development Committee
2. Mohamed Saeed Darweesh, Young Professionals Committee Chair
3. Emna Amri, Women in Engineering Committee Chair
4. Samart Deo, Humanitarian Technology Activities Committee Chair
5. Vinko Lesic, on behalf of Rawane El Jamal, Entrepreneurship Committee Chair
6. Martin Bastiaans, History Activities Committee Chair
7. Peter Magyar, on behalf of Magdalena Salazar Palma, Life Members Committee Chair

22. Coffee Break 15:00-15:30

23. Discussion – Breakout Sessions - Strategy Planning (Boskovic)

Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director, invites the meeting participants to divide in six groups and discuss the IEEE Strategic Goals for 2025-2030:

No. & Color Code	Goals are in service of the greater IEEE Mission for the benefit for humanity and represent all OUs
#1	Advance science and technology as a leading trusted source of information for research, development, standards, and public policy
#2	Drive technological innovation while promoting scientific integrity and the ethical development and use of technology
#3	Provide opportunities for technology-related interdisciplinary collaboration, research, and knowledge sharing across industry, academia, and government
#4	Inspire intellectual curiosity and support discovery and invention to engage the next generation of technology innovators
#5	Expand public awareness of the significant role that engineering, science, and technology play across the globe
#6	Empower technology professionals in their careers through ongoing education, mentoring, networking, and lifelong engagement

24. Adjourn of the Day 1 (Boskovic)

The meeting recesses at 16:30 h (CEST).

Awards and certificates of appreciation presented at the gala dinner, Saturday, 18 October 2025

Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director, and Vincenzo Piuri, R8 Awards and Recognitions Committee Chair, present the following awards and certificates of appreciation during the gala dinner in the Posat Restaurant, Dubrovnik:

Region 8 Awards:

1. 2025 Clementina Saduwa Award to Kseniia Minakova for her noteworthy support for women in the profession through her engineering and career achievements and establishing a record of excellence.
2. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Volunteer Award to Jordan Kolev for outstanding contributions, dedication and service to the Section, Region and IEEE.
3. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Outstanding Medium Section Award to the IEEE Portugal Section for delivering excellent services to members.
4. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Outstanding Large Section Award to the IEEE Jordan Section for delivering excellent services to members.
5. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Small Chapter of the Year Award to the IEEE Microwaves Theory and Technology Society Kenya Section Chapter for delivering excellent services to members.
6. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Medium Chapter of the Year Award to the IEEE Society for Social Implication of Technology United Kingdom and Ireland Section Chapter for delivering excellent services to its members.

7. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Large Chapter of the Year Award to the IEEE Joint Chapter Power & Energy Society and Power Electronics Society Sweden Section Chapter
8. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Student Branch Website Award (1st place) to the IEEE Higher Institute of Engineering and Technology Student Branch for delivering excellent services to members.
9. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Student Branch Website Award (2nd place) to the IEEE DeKUT Student Branch for delivering excellent services to members.
10. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Student Branch Website Award (3rd place) to the IEEE Suez Canal University Student Branch for delivering excellent services to members.
11. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Small Student Branch Chapter of the Year Award to the IEEE Egypt-Japan University of Science and Technology Robotics and Automation Society Student Branch Chapter for delivering excellent services to members.
12. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Medium Student Branch Chapter of the Year Award to the IEEE ISTIC Computer Society Student Branch Chapter for delivering excellent services to its members.
13. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Large Student Branch Chapter of the Year Award to the IEEE ENIS Industry Applications Society Student Branch Chapter for delivering excellent services to its members.
14. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Women in Engineering Section Affinity Group of the Year Award to the IEEE Lebanon Section Women in Engineering Affinity Group for delivering excellent service to members.
15. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Outstanding Women in Engineering Section Volunteer Award to Esraa Al-Sharoa for delivering excellent service to WIE members.
16. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Women in Engineering Student Affinity Group of the Year Award to the IEEE ENICarthage WIE Student Affinity Group for delivering excellent service to WIE members.
17. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Outstanding Women in Engineering Student Volunteer Award to Nagham Sawalha for delivering excellent service to WIE members.
18. The IEEE Region 8 Committee is proud to present the 2025 IEEE Region 8 Young Professionals Exceptional Volunteer Award to Stephen Okwiri for his never-ending dedication and effort on carrying out the mission of IEEE Young Professionals in his Section.
19. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Young Professionals Affinity Group of the Year Award to the IEEE Jordan Section Young Professionals Affinity Group for their never-ending dedication and effort on carrying out the mission of IEEE Young Professionals in their Section.
20. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Outstanding Section SIGHT Affinity Group of the Year Award to the IEEE Tunisia Section SIGHT Affinity Group for delivering excellent service to its members and local community.
21. 2025 IEEE Region 8 Student Branch SIGHT Affinity Group of the Year Award to the IEEE Egypt-Japan University of Science and Technology Student Branch SIGHT Affinity Group for delivering excellent service to its members and local community.

Region 8 tokens of appreciation:

1. IEEE Italy Section and Massimo La Scala General Chair of the Conference for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the IEEE IHTC 2024, Bari, Italy, 27-30 November 2024.
2. IEEE Poland Section, Ireneusz Czarnowski and Marek Jasiński, General Co-Chairs of the Conference, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the IEEE EUROCON 2025, Gdynia, Poland, 4-6 June 2025.
3. IEEE Tunisia Section, Fadoua Drira, Ernesto Damiani and Hichem Turki, General Co-Chairs of the Conference, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the IEEE RTSI 2025 Gammarth, Tunisia, 24-26 August 2025.
4. IEEE Germany Section, Wolfgang Koch, Hugh Griffiths and Jan Haase, General Co-Chairs of the Conference, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the IEEE HISTELCON 2025, Bonn, Germany, 30 September – 2 October 2025.
5. IEEE France Section and Rene Garello, 2023-2025 Chair, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the 123rd IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting, Bordeaux, France, 19–20 October 2024.
6. IEEE Morocco Section and Badr Eddine El Mohajir, 2024-2026 Chair, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the IEEE Region 8 OpCom Meeting, Casablanca, Morocco, 1–2 November 2024.
7. IEEE Hungary Section and Daniel Drexler, 2025-2026 Chair, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the 124th IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting, Budapest, Hungary, 5–6 April 2025.
8. IEEE Poland Section and Marek Jasinski, 2024-2025 Chair, for exemplary service in organizing and hosting the IEEE Region 8 OpCom Meeting, Gliwice, Poland, 2–3 June 2025.

Day 2: Sunday, 19 October 2025, 9:00-12:30h CEST

25. Procedural – Call to order (Boskovic)

Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director, calls the Committee to order at 09:09 h CEST.

26. Discussion – Vice Chair Students Activities report (Chatzinikolaou)

Theodoros Chatzinikolaou, R8 Vice-Chair Student Activities, presents the Student Activities Committee (SAC) team, the SAC goals and the strategic priorities. Chatzinikolaou also invites to the stage the other SAC members to present the 2025 R8 student membership/OUs statistics, the SB leadership support, the Region 8 student events, the 2026 R8 SYP (host Cracow, Poland), the R8 student experience survey, the SAC web page update, the student awards and the student contests:

- Abdalrahman Mohammed Shadeed, R8 Region Student Representative
- Abdullateef Aliyu, Past R8 Vice-Chair Student Activities
- Martyna Borak, Student Experience Portfolio Initiatives Ad-hoc Chair
- Khaldoun Taktak, Student Awards and Contests Ad-hoc Chair

27. Discussion – R8 Publications and communications (Wainwright)

Nick Wainwright, R8 Publications and Communications Committee Chair, presents the committee objective and structure, the new R8 News Editor-in-Chief Bojan Nikolic and the team, the News Portal of IEEE Region 8 (region8today.ieeer8.org) and the new design of the main Region 8 website. Wainwright invites the R8 volunteers to provide content for the R8 publications and R8 social media.

28. Discussion – Summary of Strategic Planning & discussion (Boskovic/Piuri)

Vincenzo Piuri, R8 Strategy Committee Chair, invites the moderators of the six breakout sessions groups on strategy planning and the IEEE Strategic Goals for 2025-2030 to present the summary of the discussions on the strategic planning:

- Topic 1: Marko Delimar, on behalf of topic moderator Dusanka Boskovic, Region 8 Director,
- Topic 2: Marko Delimar, IEEE Foundation President,
- Topic 3: Abdullateef Aliyu, R8 Zone Representative,
- Topic 4: Theodoros Chatzinikolaou, R8 Vice-Chair Student Activities,
- Topic 5: Vincenzo Piuri, Region 8 Past Director,
- Topic 6: Habib Kammoun, R8 Vice-Chair Member Activities.

29. Coffee Break 10:40-11:10

30. Discussion – Election procedure (Piuri)

Vincenzo Piuri, Region 8 Nominations & Appointments (N&A) Committee Chair, explains the R8 Director-Elect election procedure.

31. Discussion – Director-elect: Presentations and Q&A (Piuri)

Vincenzo Piuri, R8 N&A Committee Chair, invites the candidates for the R8 Director-Elect to present themselves and their position statements:

1. Peter Nagy
2. John Oyewole Funso Adebayo
3. Ali Hessami

32. Executive Session – Director-elect: discussion and vote (Piuri)

Executive session.

33. Procedural – Announcing election results (Piuri)

Vincenzo Piuri, R8 N&A Committee Chair, announces the results of the voting on the R8 Director-Elect elections.

The R8 Committee decided:

- To have only two candidates on the slate
- The candidates to be on the slate are (in alphabetical order):
 1. Hessami Ali
 2. Nagy Peter

34. Discussion – Section Congress (Nagy)

Peter Nagy, R8 Section Congress (SC) Coordinator, informs about the IEEE SC2026 (Glasgow, UK 21-23 August 2026) timeline and key dates, the SC2026 Virtual Event on 6 Dec 2025, the recommendations process, the Primary Section Delegates appointment progress in the R8 and the next steps and support for Sections.

35. Procedural – Next meeting (Boskovic)

Ljupco Karadzinov, Region 8 Secretary, informs about the details for the next R8 Committee meeting in Helsinki, Finland, 27-29 March 2026 and the one in conjunction with the SC2026, in Glasgow, UK&I, 20-21 Aug 2026; as well as the dates for the two following meetings in 2027.

36. Procedural – Old business (Boskovic)

No issues reported under this agenda point.

37. Procedural – New business (Boskovic)

No issues reported under this agenda point.

38. Procedural – Adjourn (Boskovic)

The meeting adjourns at 12:55 h (CEST).

Respectfully submitted,
Ljupco Karadzinov, IEEE R8 Secretary

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IEEE Region 8 - Outstanding Section Achievement Award in Industry Activities

1. BACKGROUND

IEEE Region 8 has an active industry activities program titled 'Action for Industry'. This program has been successful in encouraging grassroots Section-level industry activities across the Region.

An award is being proposed to recognise Section-level industry activities, engagements and initiatives within the Region.

This award will serve as a vehicle to encourage Sections to continuously improve their industry activities, enhance membership value, increase membership engagement and improve collaboration between IEEE Sections and external organisations.

2. DESCRIPTION

(Award title, sponsor, award frequency. Title should reflect award's purpose)

Award title - Outstanding Section Achievement Award in Industry Activities

Sponsor - IEEE Region 8

Award Frequency - Annual

3. ADMINISTRATION

(Who will be responsible for administering award, if third party is involved, reference agreement if applicable)

Award will be administered by the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee.

4. ELIGIBILITY

(Specify the parameters/criteria required by the applicant, e.g., member grade, level of accomplishment, etc.)

All Sections and Sub-Sections in IEEE Region 8 are eligible to be nominated. Self-nominations are allowed with an endorsement letter from the Section Chair or Secretary and at least two reference letters from industry partners.

Activities will be judged on the basis of innovation, impact of activities, and effect on membership value generated by the industry activities. Nominations will be expected to highlight significant tangible achievements as an outcome of their program(s). Evidence will be required to evaluate any claims.

5. PRIZE ITEMS

(Specify if cash, certificate, plaque, featured publication, etc.; prize should be appropriate for the purpose of the award; if multiple awards, provide manner of prize sharing)

Cash Prize - USD 500 and plaque.

6. FUNDS

(Provide source of award funds, continuity of funding, who will manage funds)

The award will be funded on an annual basis via the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee budget.

7. NOMINEE SOLICITATION

(Specify the nomination method to be used for soliciting applicants/nominees, e.g., nomination portal)

Nominations will be solicited via e-notices and Region 8 portals as part of the annual Region 8 awards cycle and promotion processes. All nominations will be submitted on the IEEE OpenWater Platform (<https://ieee.secure-platform.com/a>).

8. AWARD SELECTION COMMITTEE

(Identify the committee's membership, term of service, responsibilities, evaluation process, if other bodies are involved)

IEEE Region 8 Action for Industry Sub-Committee will form an Awards Working Group consisting of at least 04 members which will be responsible for evaluating applications, responding to any queries by nominees or potential applicants, and providing the evaluated results to the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee before the agreed-upon evaluation deadline. The lead of the Working Group will also be a liaison to the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee.

The Working Group will have a two year term of service which will align with the term of Action for Industry Sub-Committee.

9. SELECTION PROCESS

(Specify the process to select applicants/nominees such as scoring, voting and factors considered for the selection)

Weighted scoring will be given, as a minimum, in the following categories for each application

- Thoroughness/Completeness of the provided information (is the information provided sufficient to judge the nomination?)
- Consistency of activities over the last 12 months (was the Section consistently organising activities or establishing/strengthening industry relations over this time period?)
- Impact of activities (impact against MGA goals - <https://mga.ieee.org/board-committees/mga-strategic-plan>)
- Evidence of accomplishments (are they tangible and verifiable?)
- Innovation
- Structure, presentation and clarity of the nomination pack

10. SCHEDULE

(Enter the timeline from submission of applications to the selection and notification to award recipients)

- **1 March** - Nomination open and awards promotion cycle begin in collaboration with the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee
- **31 May** - Nominations deadline
- **1 June** - Nomination packs shared with the Awards Judging Committee
- **15 June** - Judging completed and evaluation sheets shared with the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee
- **Fall Region 8 Meeting** - Winners announced and plaques given during gala dinner
- **Immediately following Fall Region 8 Meeting - Award funds transferred to the Section account.**

11. PRESENTATION

(Specify preferred method of presenting award by recipient, including location and schedule)

Award will be presented to the Section Chair or Representative attending the Fall Region 8 meeting during the annual Region 8 Awards Ceremony organised during the gala dinner.

12. PUBLICITY

(Publicise as appropriate for the award)

The award will be publicised via e-notices, announcements during Region 8 meetings, information on the Region 8 website, Region 8 publications, Region 8 social media handles, and direct messages to Section Industry Ambassadors.

IEEE Region 8 - Outstanding Section Industry Ambassador Award

1. BACKGROUND

IEEE Region 8 has an active industry activities program titled 'Action for Industry'. This program has been successful in encouraging grassroots Section-level industry activities across the Region.

An award is being proposed to recognise Section Industry Ambassadors (SIA) who have been actively engaged in improving industry engagement within their Section.

This award will serve as a vehicle to encourage Sections to appoint Industry Ambassadors, motivate existing SIAs, enhance membership value, increase membership engagement and improve collaboration between IEEE Sections and external organisations.

2. DESCRIPTION

(Award title, sponsor, award frequency. Title should reflect award's purpose)

Award title - Outstanding Section Industry Ambassador Award

Sponsor - IEEE Region 8

Award Frequency - Annual

3. ADMINISTRATION

(Who will be responsible for administering award, if third party is involved, reference agreement if applicable)

Award will be administered by the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee.

4. ELIGIBILITY

(Specify the parameters/criteria required by the applicant, e.g., member grade, level of accomplishment, etc.)

- All IEEE Region 8 Sections and Sub-Sections Industry Ambassadors, who are IEEE members of any membership grade, are eligible to be nominated.
- Self-nominations are **not** allowed. Nominations can be submitted by the Section with an endorsement letter from the Section Chair or Secretary and at least two endorsement letters from industry partners.
- The candidate's volunteer work is, or has been, on behalf of a Section. The candidate must have been active in the SIA position for at least 01 year and is not currently the Section Chair.
- The candidate receives no remuneration for his work for the Section except possibly expenses.
- Current members of the Region 8 Awards and Recognition Subcommittee, Region 8 Operations Committee, and the Region 8 Action for Industry Sub-Committee are ineligible for the Award.

5. PRIZE ITEMS

(Specify if cash, certificate, plaque, featured publication, etc.; prize should be appropriate for the purpose of the award; if multiple awards, provide manner of prize sharing)

Cash Prize - USD 250 and plaque.

6. FUNDS

(Provide source of award funds, continuity of funding, who will manage funds)

The award will be funded on an annual basis via the IEEE Region 8 Awards and Recognition Committee budget.

7. NOMINEE SOLICITATION

(Specify the nomination method to be used for soliciting applicants/nominees, e.g., nomination portal)

Nominations will be solicited via e-notices and Region 8 portals as part of the annual Region 8 awards cycle and promotion processes. All nominations will be submitted on the IEEE OpenWater Platform (<https://ieeecure-platform.com/a>).

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The Working Group will have a two year term of service which will align with the term of Action for Industry Sub-Committee.

9. SELECTION PROCESS

(Specify the process to select applicants/nominees such as scoring, voting and factors considered for the selection)

Weighted scoring will be given, as a minimum, in the following categories for each application

- Thoroughness/Completeness of the provided information (is the information provided sufficient to judge the nomination?)
- Consistency of activities (was the SIA consistently organising impactful activities and/or establishing/strengthening industry relations)
- Impact of activities (impact against MGA goals - <https://mga.ieee.org/board-committees/mga-strategic-plan>)
- Evidence of accomplishments (are they tangible and verifiable?)
- Structure, presentation and clarity of the nomination pack

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11. PRESENTATION *(Specify preferred method of presenting award by recipient, including location and schedule)*

Award will be presented to the Section Chair or Representative attending the Fall Region 8 meeting during the annual Region 8 Awards Ceremony organised during the gala dinner. Sections will be encouraged to transfer the plaque to the SIA in a ceremonial manner at a local Section-level event.

12. PUBLICITY

(Publicise as appropriate for the award)

The award will be publicised via e-notices, announcements during Region 8 meetings, information on the Region 8 website, Region 8 publications, Region 8 social media handles, and direct messages to Section Industry Ambassadors.

TO: IEEE Region 8 Committee, October 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of IEEE Kazakhstan Section

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A petition was submitted by Region 8 Vitality Coordinator Andrejs Romanovs (#92772530), requesting the formation of the IEEE Kazakhstan Section in Region 8. The boundaries of the Section correspond to the boundaries of the country of Kazakhstan (see map), surrounded by coastline along the Caspian Sea and five countries: China, Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan. The Kazakhstan Section will be a part of Region 8.



Currently (on September 2025), 317 IEEE members lives in Kazakhstan (including 256 voting members): 209 professional members, 47 graduate students, 42 undergraduate students and 19 associate members.

The request has been evaluated based on activities and the Region 8 Section Vitality and Development Committee guidelines. As per Region 8 Operations Manual section R8 the Region 8 Committee needs to approve the formation of a new Section and is requested to do so.

PROPOSED ACTION

Resolved that the IEEE Region 8 Committee approves the elevation of the IEEE Kazakhstan Subsection to the IEEE Kazakhstan Section with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of the country of Kazakhstan. The Organizer of the Petition will serve as the interim Section Chair pending the election later in 2026.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION**Strategic Goal(s) Supported**

- The formation of the Section will help in the goal of creating dynamic communities that help individuals around the world to share, collaborate, network, and engage with one another.

Financial Implications

- The Region 8 will be obliged to forward the previously collected rebate for the Kazakhstan Subsection and Kazakhstan Chapters, Affinity Groups and Student Branches to Kazakhstan Section account after its establishment according to the IEEE regulations (R8 Operations Manual, R8, R8-8.1, R8-8.2, R8-8.3, R8-8.4, R8-8.6).

Pros and/or Cons

- PROS: Better serving the IEEE members in the country.
- CONS: None.

Implementation

- After approval by the Region 8 the petition needs to be finally approved by the MGA Board action in November 2025.

Background Information

IEEE has an excellent presence in Kazakhstan, with various activities and projects conducted and hosted by its members. Over the past 8 years, the IEEE structure in Kazakhstan has expanded. In 2025 IEEE Kazakhstan Subsection consists of 3 Chapters, WIE and YP Affinity Groups, 2 Student Branches and 2 Student Branch Chapters.

IEEE Conferences of neighboring IEEE Sections are regularly organized in Kazakhstan. The Annual IEEE International Conference on Smart Information Systems and Technologies (SIST) was founded in 2021. In 2023, a multi-year 2024 – 2028 IEEE Conference MoU was signed between IEEE Kazakhstan Subsection, IEEE Ukraine Section, IEEE Kazakhstan Subsection CIS/RA Joint Chapter and Astana IT University (AITU) to hold the IEEE SIST conference. In addition to SIST, in 2024, Kazakhstan hosted the 2024 IEEE AITU: Digital Generation – first IEEE Student Conference in Kazakhstan, aimed at exchanging perspectives on current practices and trends in advancing information technologies in science and education, and at fostering collaboration between academia and industry.

Kazakhstan also holds a unique geostrategic position that enhances its role as a bridge between IEEE Regions. Situated between Europe (Region 8) and Asia-Pacific (Region 10), the country is well-placed to become a focal point for joint initiatives, technical exchange, and inter-regional collaboration. The proposed IEEE Kazakhstan Section could serve as a regional hub for conferences, workshops, and pilot projects, connecting local efforts with global innovation networks.

The business plan of prospective IEEE Kazakhstan Subsection has been evaluated by Region 8 Section Vitality and Development Committee and Region 8 OpCom as credible and sustainable (see document posted in the meeting website).

TO: IEEE Region 8 Committee, October 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of IEEE Senegal Subsection

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A petition was submitted by Region 8 Vitality Coordinator Andrejs Romanovs (#92772530), requesting the formation of the IEEE Senegal Subsection in Region 8. The boundaries of the Subsection correspond to the boundaries of the country of Senegal (see map), surrounded by five countries: Mauritania, Mali, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau. The Senegal Subsection will be a part of Region 8. Currently (on July 2025), 69 IEEE members lives in Senegal: 45 professional members, 18 graduate students, 4 undergraduate students and 2 associate members. The request has been evaluated based on activities and the Region 8 Section Vitality and Development Committee guidelines. As per Region 8 Operations Manual section R8-8.1 the Region 8 Committee needs to approve the formation of a new Subsection and is requested to do so.



PROPOSED ACTION

Resolved that the Region 8 Committee approves the formation of Senegal Subsection with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of the country of Senegal.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Strategic Goal(s) Supported

- The formation of the Subsection will help in the goal of creating dynamic communities that help individuals around the world to share, collaborate, network, and engage with one another.

Financial Implications

- The Region will be obliged to forward the rebate received for the Subsection according to the IEEE regulations, if it fulfills the meeting activity and complies with financial and officer reporting requirements (R8 Operations Manual, R8-8.1)

Pros and/or Cons

- PROS: Better serving the members in the country.
- CONS: None.

Implementation

- After approval by the Region the petition needs to be finally approved by the MGA Board action in November 2025.

Background Information

IEEE has a good presence in Senegal, with various activities and projects conducted and hosted by its members. These include initiatives related to education, healthcare, climate change, leveraging technology and mobile learning, e.g., Annual Conference on Research in Computer Science and its Applications, Annual Interdisciplinary Solutions Conference, West African Conference on Renewable Energies, ANTS conference on digital technology, The Digital Science and Technology Network Symposium, EPICS IEEE project Humasol Solar Cells.

The business plan of prospective Senegal Subsection has been evaluated by Region 8 Section Vitality and Development Committee and Region 8 OpCom as credible and sustainable (see document posted in the meeting website).

ACTION

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TO: IEEE Region 8 Committee, October 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of IEEE Armenia Subsection

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A petition was submitted by Region 8 Vitality Coordinator Andrejs Romanovs (#92772530), requesting the formation of the IEEE Armenia Subsection in Region 8. The boundaries of the Subsection correspond to the boundaries of the country of Armenia (see map), surrounded by four countries: Turkey, Georgia, Azerbaijan and Iran. The Armenia Subsection will be a part of Region 8. IEEE Region 8 will be the parent IEEE geographic unit for the IEEE Armenia Subsection.



Currently (on September 2025), 67 IEEE members lives in Armenia (including 46 voting members): 39 professional members, 7 graduate students, 18 undergraduate students and 2 associate members.

The request has been evaluated based on activities and the Region 8 Section Vitality and Development Committee guidelines. As per Region 8 Operations Manual section R8-8.1 the Region 8 Committee needs to approve the formation of a new Subsection and is requested to do so.

PROPOSED ACTION

Resolved that the IEEE Region 8 Committee approves the formation of IEEE Armenia Subsection with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of the country of Armenia (IEEE Region 8 is the parent IEEE geographic unit).

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Strategic Goal(s) Supported

- The formation of the Subsection will help in the goal of creating dynamic communities that help individuals around the world to share, collaborate, network, and engage with one another.

Financial Implications

- The Region will be obliged to forward the rebate received for the Subsection according to the IEEE regulations, if it fulfills the meeting activity and complies with financial and officer reporting requirements (R8 Operations Manual, R8-8.1)

Pros and/or Cons

- PROS: Better serving the members in the country.
- CONS: None.

Implementation

- After approval by the Region the petition needs to be finally approved by the MGA Board action in November 2025.

Background Information

IEEE has a good presence in Armenia, with various activities and events conducted and hosted by its members. Organized annually since the early 2000s in Yerevan, CSIT Conference (Computer Science and Information Technologies) is an international conference technically co-sponsored by IEEE. It attracts researchers from across the region and Europe. The most recent editions have included IEEE tracks and proceedings published in IEEE *Xplore* Digital Library. Armenia has served as host and contributor to IEEE East-West Design & Test Symposium (EWDTS), a conference series addressing design and test of electronic systems, co-sponsored by IEEE CEDA and TTTC. Armenian researchers have consistently contributed papers and served on the technical program committees.

The creation of an IEEE Armenia Subsection will provide a localized platform to support professional networking, continuing education, technical development, and collaboration across academia and industry.

The business plan of prospective Armenia Subsection has been evaluated by Region 8 Section Vitality and Development Committee and Region 8 OpCom as credible and sustainable (see document posted in the meeting website).

ACTION**M- 1 of 2**

TO: IEEE Region 8 Committee, October 2025
FROM: Adam Jastrzebski, Region 8 Treasurer
SUBJECT: Approval of the 2026 Region 8 budget v0

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In the recent years, the initial version of the Region 8 annual budget for the next year was the same as the most recent version of the Region 8 budget in the preceding year.

As there has been no substantial change to the Region financial position in 2025 and the next year detailed plans are not yet approved, it is proposed to adopt the same approach, i.e. to use R8 Budget 2025 v1b for the initial R8 Budget 2026 v0.

Further updates to the budget will be made by OpCom in January 2026, by 126th R8CM in Helsinki in March 2026, and later in 2026, if required.

PROPOSED ACTION

RESOLVED that the 2026 Region 8 Budget v0 as presented shall be approved. This budget includes:

- A 2026 balanced budget without material surplus or loss.
- 2026 budget expenses of \$1,197,800.
- 2026 budget income of \$1,197,800 consisting of: actual annual income, anticipated grants and savings of \$680,320, accrual expenses of \$127,740, and \$389,740 transfer from 2025 accumulated reserves.

**IEEE Region 8 Budget 2026 v0 (USD)
Recommended by OpCom October 2025**

BUDGET PROPOSAL 2026 INCOME SUMMARY V0	\$
Existing Activities Including Grants and Savings	680,320
New Initiatives (Reserves)	389,740
Accrual Expenses from 2025	127,740
TOTAL AVAILABLE	1,197,800

R8 Nominal Code	BUDGET 2026 v0
Committee general Total	(\$750,200)
Region 8 Director Total	(\$31,000)
Region 8 Director-Elect Total	(\$7,000)
Region 8 Past-Director Total	(\$7,000)
Vice Chair for Technical Activities Total	(\$86,687)
Vice Chair for Member Activities Total	(\$84,687)
Vice Chair for Student Activities Total	(\$82,687)
Region 8 Secretary Total	(\$5,800)
Region 8 Treasurer Total	(\$15,000)
Expenses from previous year budget Total	(\$127,740)
Budget Expenses Total	(\$1,197,800)