# **IEEE Finland Section Report August 2011**

Officers:		Election Date:	Term End Date:
•	Chair: Heikki Koivo	5.10.2009	31.12.2011
•	Vice Chair: Maciej Borkowski	5.10.2009	31.12.2011
•	Secretary: Jari Hannuksela	20.5.2011	31.12.2011
•	Treasurer: Ciprian Doru Giurcaneanu		
		5.10.2009	31.12.2011

#### **Student Matters:**

- Student Activities Chair: Rafal Sliz
- Student Representative: Heli Pihlajamaa
- GOLD Coordinator: Rafal Sliz

#### Membership:

## IEEE Current Grade Description and Count of Members

Affiliate Active	Finland Section 56
Associate Member Active	Finland Section 27
Fellow Active	Finland Section 14
Graduate Student Member Active	Finland Section 218
Honorary Member Active	Finland Section 1
Life Fellow Active	Finland Section 4
Life Member Active	Finland Section 13
Life Senior Active	Finland Section 6
Member Active	Finland Section 592
Senior Member Active	Finland Section 65
Student Member Active	Finland Section 76

Total number Active

Finland Section 1072

Date of above results by using SAMIEEE:

26.5.2011

Meetings (since October):

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# Activities in the near future:

The most important issue for the coming term is to increase further the number of IEEE student members. The goal is to reactivate the Student Branch at Aalto University (formerly Helsinki University of Technology) during 2011. A new Student Chapter at University of Vaasa will be investigated. Further efforts will be made to establish new Student Branches at University of Jyväskylä and University of Turku. Good practices at University of Oulu Student Branch can be

carried over to Student Branches in other universities. Events promoting IEEE activities to undergraduate and graduate students in different universities will be made starting in Spring 2011. Gold activities have been quite successful and push is made to make them more familiar...

Another important issue is an effort to increase the number of senior members starting in Spring 2011. It is essential that there will be more IEEE senior members in Finland.

New Chapter initiatives will also be investigated. This includes e.g. a Chapter in Automatic Control, and another in Robotics and Automation. If these cannot be founded, then a joint Chapter will be set up.

Activities with FINEL consisting of domestic Engineering Societies will be continued. The participating Societies include among others Finnish Automation Society, Society of Electronics Engineers, and Society of Electrical Engineers. FINEL provides an excellent avenue for industrial relations. This activity will be continued.

# **Best practices:**

The revitalized, and possible new Student Chapters need active Student Branch counselors. Good practices are shared, the role model coming especially from University of Oulu. New Chapter Chairs are searched together with the current Chapter Chairs. Chapter Chairs provide also excellent candidates for the Section Executive Committee. The legal status of IEEE Finland Section will be clarified with the help of IEEE main office.

## Topics to be discussed in Prague:

Heikki Koivo IEEE Finland Section Chair