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## 1. Highlights from the past

- Latvia Section as a Technical co-sponsor of 2011 Baltic Congress on Future Internet Communications, Riga, 16-18 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February 2011, http://bcfic.org/2011/
- Report "Scientific Research in Riga Technical University in 2011", Prof. Leonids Ribickis, Riga, RTU, $14{ }^{\text {th }}$ October 2011
- First Latvia Section Student Branch was founded at Riga Technical University, $18^{\text {th }}$ March 2011, approved $2^{\text {nd }}$ December 2011, Student Branch Chair Inese Polaka


## 2. Future activities

- Creation of new Chapters - IEEE Power Electronic Society, IEEE Industrial Electronic Society and IEEE Industrial Application Society Joint Chapter waiting for the approval.
- Enhance of the activities of existent Chapters
- Continue to participate in Distinguished Lecturers program
- The support of the student paper award at Latvian Universities
- Increase cooperation with IEEE Sections of Baltic Region
- Promotion of the IEEE to local community, at the with conferences, discussions, seminars


## 3. Best practices

- Collaboration with Latvian professional associations


## 4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- Increase the technical visits and discussions involving the local industry and professional associations
- Increasing membership using academia and industry facilities.


## 5. Miscellaneous

- First IEEE Distinguished Lecturers Program' Lection in Latvia "Inkjet-Printed Paper/PolymerBased "Green" RFID and Wireless Sensor Nodes: The Final Step to Bridge Cognitive Intelligence, Nanotechnology and RF", Prof. Manos M.Tentzeris, $21^{\text {st }}$ June 2011
- Signed Memorandum of Understanding between IEEE and Latvian Information And Communications Technology Association (LIKTA), Riga, $23{ }^{\text {rd }}$ May 2011

