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# **IEEE Saudi Arabia-East Section Report March 2012**

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## 1. Highlights from the past:

- IEEE Teacher In-Service Program (TISP) has been implemented in various schools in Saudi Arabia.
- Arabic Translation of the IEEE TryEngineering.org has been successfully completed, thanks to the support by Saudi Aramco. This is an outstanding achievement as it offers the Try Engineering resources to the Arab speaking world.

#### 2. Future activities:

- Continue the Teacher in Service Program in the Eastern Province Government Schools and expand it to other Regions in the Kingdom.
- Introduce the TISP and Try Engineering Programs to private schools in the Kingdom.
- Extend technical sponsorship to the Saudi Technical Exchange Meeting
- Conduct four Seminars as part of the Continuing Education Program.
- Conduct at least one Technical Dinner Meeting every two months....

### 3. Best practices:

• Continue the membership drive where membership fee is collected locally in cash and then processed online using a credit card of one of the Section officers.

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

• Membership Renewal is not an easy process especially for those without a credit card. What can be done to simplify the membership renewal process?

## 5. Miscellaneous:

- DLP A one day Seminar on "Grounding for Industrial Systems" was conducted on 6 December 2011.
- DLP A two-days Seminar on "Renewable Energy Technologies" was conducted on 18-19 October 2011.
- A meeting of the Op Com was held in December to review the Section Operations during the year.
- The Section Officers met in January to chalk out action plans for 2012.
- Two new Student branches were formed under the Section Prince Sultan University, and King Saudi University College of Business Administration