

The 99th **IEEE Region 8**Committee Meeting

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1. Highlights from the past

- Membership development: nominating senior members, attracting students to join IEEE, ...
- Re-activation of University of Maribor Student Branch with new student leadership
- Reporting in Region 8 news on Professional Activities conducted with Student Branches together with online reporting in social media.
- Student branches visited SBC 2012 in Madrid with 5 student representatives with very positive feedback.

2. Future activities

- 21th Electrotechnical and Computer Science Conference ERK 2012 where Chapters organize sections in different fields presenting current research in Slovenia
- Organization of IEEE Student Paper Competition: 12 papers submitted
- Planning Distinguished Lecturers program together with Croatia Section
- Student Branches plan collaborative events in autumn 2012.

3. Best practices

- Sending 5 students from both Student Branches to SBC with aim to empower volunteers for student branch leadership.
- Successful sponsoring 5 students to visit SBC
- Organized visits to companies, as for example ETI and IBM.

4. Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

- Motivation for higher member grades.
- Improved strategy for increase membership.

5. Miscellaneous

- We are planning activities in the field of professional activities, educational activities and industrial relations. Chapters are organizing events in their designated fields.
- Section Industry Relations Officer organizes invited lecture events from the industry.
- All Chapters are active and introducing new event types into their programs.