### IEEE R8 - Chapter Coordination Subcommittee 2013

#### **Members**

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#### Mission

Inspire, Enable, Empower and Engage Chapters of R8 for the purpose of:

- Fulfilling the mission of IEEE
- Enhancing the Chapter's growth and development
- · Providing a professional home

### **Highlights**

- New Chapters
  - 18 new Chapters since April 2013 (12 of them being Student Branch Chapters)
  - o 7 new Chapter applications currently being processed
- Student Branch meetings
  - IEEE Central Eastern SB Congress 2013, May 13-15, 2013, Opole, Poland
    - 21 countries & 17 IEEE sections' Student Branches from Central and Eastern Europe and others
    - More than 170 delegates
    - ChCSC represented by Simay Akar
    - Student Chapters Workshops to discuss benefits of Student
    - Great Impact!









- o IEEE Middle East SB Congress 2013, May 31 June 1, 2013, Beirut, Lebanon
  - ChCSC represented by Simay Akar
  - > 120 Student & GOLD members from 12 countries
  - Student Chapters Workshops to discuss benefits of Student
  - IEEE R8 Director Elect also attended session
  - Great Interaction!



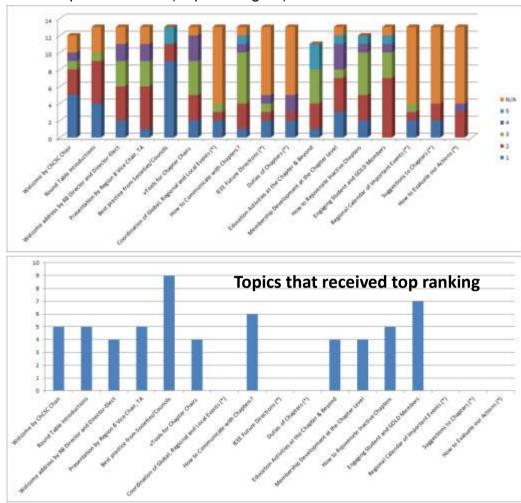




- Survey following Chapter Coordination Subcommittee Meeting
  - o IEEE R8ChCSC meeting held April 19, 2013, Madrid, Spain
  - o All attendees surveyed for feedback
  - o 12 (~50%) of attendees responded
  - o 8 "first time attendees"
  - Survey addressed:
    - Value of presentations
    - Value of meeting
    - Length and frequency of meetings



- Services most valued/requested
- Plans for S/C Chapter Retreats
- Several highlights presented herein
- Value of presentations (Top ranking =1)



- Conclusions from survey
  - Continue holding meeting 1/yr
  - Consider extending to 6-8 hour meeting
  - Most topics of interest to attendees
  - Maybe survey before the meeting on topics of interest
  - Top Choice services to be developed
    - Consolidated "Best Practice" Manual
    - Chapter Online Newsletter
    - Chapter Leadership Training Webinars
  - Need to focus on those in near term
- Chapter of the Year Award
  - 2012 Chapter of the Year Award Presented to R&A Chapter from the Egypt Section
  - Working and thinking on the manner for soliciting more nominations and on how to improve and simplify the nomination process (maybe we need to require a simpler nomination process...)
  - Solicitation will begin shortly for 2013 nominations: The earlier the better!

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- Facebook Outreach
  - o IEEE Region 8 Chapters Facebook Page created by Simay
  - Page very active, especially during "Chapter of the Year" contest
  - Postings continuously added (recent postings on IEEE-Day)
  - Also serves as "Newsletter" (Information and procedural reminders to chapters (time for elections, L-3 forms, etc.))
  - More planned for the future



- New Proposal: Best Student Branch Chapter of the Year Proposal
  - Awarded to the most outstanding IEEE chapter in recognition of their activities in the previous calendar year
  - Administration by R8 OpCom, Vice Chair TA and R8 ChCSC
  - Motion to be presented during Sarajevo meeting

#### Future Activities

- Review & Recommend Director and Vice Chair approval of chapters & affinity groups formation in R8
- Work on...
  - Consolidated "Best Practice" Manual
  - Chapter Online Newsletter
  - Chapter Leadership Training Webinars
    - First webinar scheduled for Friday, 27th September, 19.00 PM UTC.
  - Create a regular timeline for ChCSC activities
  - Improve Process for Chapter of the Year Award Nomination
- Student Congresses after September 2013
  - o IEEE UK&RI Student Branch & GOLD Congress 2013, 6-8 September, 2013-09-06
    - Place: University of Bath, UK
  - IEEE Hellenic Student Branch & GOLD Congress 2013, 1-3 November, 2013
    - Place: Nicosia, Cyprus
- Plans for 2014 pending information
  - o Attend if possible (and funding pending) at least 2 such meetings/year
  - Students need to "know" R8 and we need to interact with the future of IEEE and the Region



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- Early 2014, we need to reconfirm list of 2014 R8 S/C Chapter Coordinators
  - Previous responses from S/C presidents was "so so" (about 70% response)
  - Need to improve cooperation
- Society/Division Chapter Coordination meetings
  - Engage S/C Regional Chapter Coordinators to coordinate with ChCSC Chapter training sessions in conjunction with major conferences
  - o R8 ChCSC could provide speakers/material upon request

#### **Best Practices**

- Best Practice presentations/discussions
  - In Chapter Coordination meeting in Madrid
  - Will be collating and creating a "Best Practices Manual"
- Best Practice Webinars
  - Webinars will start in near future
  - Chapter Chairs and S/C Chapter Coordinators were polled for topics of interest feedback received and serves as basis for plans.
  - o Topics of interest to Chapters, particularly to student branch chapters