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Highlights from the past

- Egyptian Engineering Day EED remains the highlight of the section (See best practices).
- The section continues to sponsor credible conferences (6 in 2013).
- The section organized numerous student workshops and events
- The section end of year ceremony (Jan 2014) to review activities and recognize volunteers who won International awards was attended by Chairman IEEE, Region 8 Director Elect and 4 Cabinet Ministers from Egypt. This shows the credibility and reputation of IEEE Egypt section.

Future activities

- The Section will continue to collaborate actively with:
 - TIEC: Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center (funded by Ministry of Communications & Information Technology)
 - Science and Technology Fund (The funding arm of the Ministry of Scientific Research).
 - o Egyptian Engineering Syndicates. (The Engineering Body for Engineer Certification).
- The section will continue its efforts to
 - o maintain current student enrolment
 - o support and encouragement for Senior and Fellow Membership upgrade

Best practices

- EED The Egyptian Engineering Day is the annual nexus for engineers in Egypt. It is being organized for the 12th year in a row. This event is an opportunity for all engineering professionals to meet new associates in the field, share ideas, collaborate on projects and learn something new. The event is composed of:
 - o An exposition for Graduation projects (serves also as a head hunting / job fair)
 - A competition for graduation projects (With financial awards from Egyptian Government and Sponsor Companies)
 - A forum where speakers address fresh graduates and young professional.
 - Made in Egypt competition (targeting young professionals award sponsored by Multinational companies).
 - Future City Competition (targeting grade 6-8 of school students). This is our penetration tool for all our pre-university
- The event took place last September. Enthusiasm is by no means less than any previous year.
 - o Graduation Project 240
 - o Visitors 9000
 - o Professors / Judges 150
 - o Company Representatives 168
 - NGO Representatives 10
 - o Coverage 20 TV 13 Radio Channels 37 Newspaper/Magazines
 - o Government 2 Ministers
- Next EED 2014 is scheduled 10-11 Sept 2014 (visit http://eed.eg)

Points of concern / Topics for future discussion

Registration of IEEE in Egypt is still not clear due to the postponement of submitting the new NGO law to the parliament.

Miscellaneous

- 27 Awards in 2012-2014:
 - o Best Chapter
 - o Regional Exemplary Student Branch Award (several)
 - o The Darrel Chong Student Activity Award (Bronze)
 - o Best IEEE Day photo
 - o IEEE Day "The most creative photo" award
 - Student Enterprise Award
 - MGA Student Branch Web Site Contest 1st Place
 - o Region 8 Website Contest 2nd Place
 - MGA GOLD Hall of Fame Award GOLD
 - o R8 GOLD Exceptional Volunteer Award
 - Outstanding Branch Counselor and Branch Chapter Advisor Award
 - o "ICamp" Entrepreneurship competition, 2nd place
 - R8 WIE (Women in Engineering)
 - R8 Best Volunteer Award
 - o R8 GOLD Exceptional Volunteer
 - o Growth in student membership is healthy.
 - An noticeable increase in Student Branches (29)
 - o Young Professional (GOLD) activities is sustainable with good outreach in society.