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WIE Chair's Message

Warm Greetings to members of the WiE fraternity!

August 2019 was a busy time for the IEEE Bangalore Chapter. We had two major IEEE conferences – IEEE SmartTech and International Leadership Summit. I am very happy to share that the conferences were a resounding success.

ILS 2019 had over 360 delegates participating from different across India. We had IEEE representatives from other countries sharing their stories and learnings. We had keynotes from industry leaders, entrepreneurs and academia that inspired. I would like to express my deepest gratitude to all the participants, speakers, volunteers, sponsors and service providers for making this event memorable and impactful. I would like to specially thank the many WiE members and volunteers who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to bring together a seamless extravaganza that everyone experienced.

We are now moving on to our next international conference WIECON ECE 2019 which will be held on 15 – 16 November at the same venue. We have received over 168 papers and are now busy with their reviews and selection. We are conducting this conference in partnership with the IEEE Bangladesh WIE section and are striving hard to bring to you another memorable event. We request all of you to participate with the same gusto as you did ILS 2019. Looking forward to meeting you all in person again soon.

Divya M G

Editor's Piece

Wow!!! A hectic August flowing into an eventful September. WIE 2019 activities have reached a crescendo that will culminate with the international WIECON ECE conference in November.

We have had some amazing interactions and networking sessions in these past few months. We continue to learn at every step. Every individual's story builds us and helps us grow. What distinguishes us is our ability to connect, share, care and nurture.

ILS 2019, the two-day conference, further echoed this in my heart. I noticed people striving tirelessly towards achieving a common dream. Every delegate, organizer, sponsor, volunteer and service provider worked in a seamless manner towards a common goal. Egos were put aside, hunger was forgotten, jobs were delivered. Were there mistake made – certainly, but everyone was willing to learn and improve, change fast and ensure the objectives were met. I feel blessed to have been part of such a learning experience. Hope you enjoyed it too. We would like to hear your thoughts.

Activities conducted in August and September 2019

- Stephen Welby, COO and Jose Moura, IEEE President visited India during CONECCT event. WIE representatives, Divya and Manisha made a presentation of WIE activities conducted in the year 2019 to them during India Council AGM at IEEE Office, WTC, Bangalore on 27th July 2019
- IEEE Bangalore section has won the "2019 outstanding section membership recruitment Performance"
- IEEE SmartTech conference was held on 2-3 August 2019. The theme of the conference was the Future of Electromobility. Many interesting and insightful keynotes and panels were organized. Dr. Kumudhini Ravindra was the representative organizing committee member from WIE Bangalore section. Her contribution to the event was well appreciated.
- The of Women in Engineering SBA Execom was held at KSIT, Bangalore on 7th August 2019. KSIT had their first Execom meet in their college. This event was presided by Ms. Divya M G., WIE Chair Bangalore section. Prof. Sudha and Prof. Jayasudha coordinated this meeting.
- IEEE Women in Engineering (WiE) Affinity Group is technical Co-sponsoring "GHCI - Original Research". The paper review process was completed, and the CRC is in process. We'd like to thank all the reviewers who provided their time and expertise.
- The membership drive continues to advance in full swing and the count as on 25th September is 1125+
- The Women in Engineering SBA Execom at Amrita School of Engineering, Bangalore on 18th August 2019. This second meeting was presided by Ms. Divya M G and Dr. Pushpamala. The main objective of the meeting was to know the functioning and practices being followed by WIE SBA. Prof. Deepa Kaliyaperumal coordinated the meeting.
- We request other SBA's to conduct their college WIE SBA Execoms in concurrence with the WIE Bangalore Section team.
- On 20th Aug 2019 a meeting was held at WTC India Office along with the "IEEE MCE (Meetings, Conferences & Events) Team" to discuss future activities of IEEE. The WIE representatives were Ms. Divya M G, Dr. Pushpa CN and Dr. P Deepa Shenoy
- An IEEE BC Meet2 was held in Mysuru on 24th August 2019. Dr P Deepa Shenoy, Dr Krupa Rasne and Dr Bindu A Thomas participated.
- The prestigious International Leadership Summit 2019 was held on the 30th – 31st August 2019. The event brought together people from across India for two days filled with insightful keynotes, engaging panels, networking and learning opportunities. The event was successfully helmed by Prof. D N Sujatha. A special thanks is due to Mr. Puneeth Mishra for hosting four international IEEE leaders. The Inaugural address was given by Ms. Shahji Nigar and the Valedictory address was made by Pamela Kumar. The Valedictory function was ably conducted by Dr Annapurna Patil, MSRIT.
- IEEE WIE AG, Bangalore section conducted "Innovative Technology Competition 2019" as a part of IEEE day celebration. Prof. Suma M S and Prof. Manjushree S P successfully coordinated this competition.
- Engineer's day and Teacher's Day celebration at Bangalore Institute of Technology at Bangalore on 17th Sep 2019. Ms. Divya M G was the Chief Guest. She made a presentation on IEEE
- The WIE Bangalore logo is finally approved and our newsletter now sports the same 😊



IEEE Bangalore Section WIE Affinity Group



Note on Future WIE activities

If you want to volunteer in any of the upcoming WIE activities between October to mid-December, kindly share your details with Prof. Krupa Rasne kru_ran@yahoo.com along with a cc to wieblr@ieee.org.

- IEEE WiE has an opportunity to be part of conference named "Returning Mothers – Rediscovering the lost talent pool". The conference is scheduled for 13th and 14th November at Sri Venkateshwara college of engineering, Bangalore
- IEEE Bangalore Section SYWL congress is scheduled to be held on 12-13 October 2019 in Bellary. This is the congress for IEEE Student Bodies, Young Professionals, Women in Engineering and Life Members. Registrations are presently open. A historic tour of the famous Hampi is also planned for the 11th October 2019. Do take this opportunity to attend.
- The countdown to the next international event, WIECON ECE 2019 has begun. Many more sponsors are coming on board to support this unique event that celebrates the research contributions of women in the fields of Electrical and Communications. Paper submissions are now complete, and the reviews are ongoing. Look out for more information on the website: <https://wieconece.org/> We are also happy to announce that DRDO has joined us as WIECON sponsors. We are grateful to all our patrons. Our initiatives will be dull without your continued support.

We would like to hear from you. Keep those messages and pictures coming. Share your ideas and thoughts. This is your newsletter.

Regards,
WIE Team

The new logo of the IEEE Bangalore Section WIE Affinity Group is:



We will be switching to this in our forthcoming newsletter issues, all our publications and other paraphernalia.