

Virtual Panel Discussion Sessions

Session 3: IEEE Career, Leadership and WIE Experiences

Moderator



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COSTAS STASOPOULOS was born in Cyprus, a European Union member state. He then moved to the United States where he studied Electrical Engineering at the University of Rutgers, New Jersey, USA. Then he received a Master in Business Administration (MBA), Management concentration, from the Maastricht Business School of Management, Netherlands. Upon completion of his studies he worked for three years for SITA, the world's leading service provider of integrated IT business solutions and communication services of the air transport industry. Then he moved on to the Electricity Authority of Cyprus (EAC), the major electricity provider of Cyprus, where he held various Engineering Specialist and Management positions. He currently holds the position of Planning Manager at the Transmission Department. His main interests include Renewable Energy, Smart Metering, Drones and Smart Grids.

He is one of the founding members of the Cyprus Section, moving through the levels of hierarchy to the position of Chair. He held the positions of IEEE Region 8 Secretary from 2007-2012, IEEE Region 8 Director-Elect 2013-2014, IEEE Region 8 Director 2015-2016 and IEEE Region 8 Past Director 2017-2018. He took active part in numerous IEEE committees both Regional and International. He is at present the IEEE MGA Vice Chair (2020 and 2021).

Panelists



[Sumit Chhabria](#), Electronics Systems Engineer at Multicorpos Llc, USA. (Automobile Industry) | M.S. (Electrical Engineering Systems and Controls, University of New Mexico, USA). IEEE IAS YP Chair & IAS CMD Students, YP and WIE Events Committee Chair

- How to Get Involved with IEEE Activities After Graduation

IAS YP activities, membership benefits for young professionals, YP funding opportunities, CMD students, YP and WIE activities.

PDF Presentation, Q&A session / interaction.



[You Lin](#), PhD Student, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX USA. | Graduated from Shandong University, Jinan, China | Founder Chairwoman of Shandong University SB IAS Chapter

- My Experience in Attending IEEE Activities as A Freshman

Abstract: Many young researchers may wonder how to get started with IEEE activities. I'd like to share some of my shallow experiences, from attending the first IEEE conference to founding a student chapter and hosting student events. I hope this will provide some useful advice for young researchers who want to get involved but don't know how to get started.



[Pooja Singh](#), Data and Business Intelligence Analyst at Thornburg Investment Management (USA) | MBA (University of New Mexico) | IAS CMD member since 2019 | Current IEEE IAS CMD WIE Subcommittee Chair

- **Women In Industry**

- **WIE Programs/ Activities**

Power Point presentations.



[Akshay Krishnan](#), Final year Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech) student pursuing Computer Science and Engineering degree from College of Engineering Karunagappally (CEK), Kerala, India. | Chair, IEEE SB CEK | General Chair, IEEE International Power and Renewable Energy Conference IPRECON 2020

- **IEEE Experience as a Student Member in CEK**

Power Point presentation

Abstract: My way from student to the leadership in the Student Branch. Specialties of the IEEE SB activity in Kerala. Conducting more SB chapters activities in a powerful team. How it led to the general chairmanship of IPRECON 2020, the first IAS student-led technical paper conference in India.



[Anandhu S. Kumar](#), Sr. Light Design Engineer at Wipro Lighting, India | Graduated in Bachelor of Technology from Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin, Kerala, India | Student Branch Chapter Coordinator of Kerala Section IAS/IES/PELS Joint Chapter | Student and YP Coordinator of Kerala Section PES Chapter

- **SB experiences in the Kerala Section IES/IAS/PELS Chapter**

Power Point presentation