

2017 IEEE Annual Election

Candidates for IEEE Region 9 Delegate-Elect/Director-Elect, 2018-2019



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What do you believe are the major issues facing the IEEE?

During the past years IEEE has experienced a sustained decrease in membership, and in some regions, membership has not matured enough in the sense students do not continue their membership as professionals. I believe IEEE needs to better comprehend local needs and tailor membership benefits according to each region and possibly section. A great opportunity to overturn this is to continue developing new programs and projects focused for Young Professionals.

What do you think is the number one goal for the IEEE leadership?

Expand the voice of IEEE in all regions for public policy, academia and industry. IEEE is a world leader technical institution. Its voice is recognized among academics and industry professionals, and can be expanded to governments to provide counselling in relevant technological issues to support public policy; support the professional development of members in industry and academia by incentivizing continuing education and prompt access to information related to new technologies.



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What do you believe are the major issues facing the IEEE?

As a **GLOBAL ORGANIZATION** and with a trend where the growth of membership increases more rapidly outside the US, new approaches need to be implemented to manage the diversity coming from this growth.

As a volunteer based organization, IEEE also faces the problem of continuity and recruitment of new and good volunteers. This is also related to how IEEE will be managed in the coming years. IEEE needs to continue studying ways IEEE major boards should evolve or transform.

Another issue is related to the way publications will be managed in the future and how that can affect IEEE revenues.

What do you think is the number one goal for the IEEE leadership?

There are many goals where IEEE needs to show its leadership around the world, but as the major technical organization, IEEE must be present in all activities related to technology and in all the different facets new development and advancements require.

More and more we need to see IEEE interacting with legal and regulatory entities, accreditation institutions, universities, industry, government, etc. and make them use all the resources IEEE can offer for the betterment of society.

IEEE has to become the very **TRUE LEADER** in technology advancement connecting people, institutions and the technical society in general all over the world.

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What motivates you and what qualifies you for the position you are seeking?

I want to serve as R9 director because I have several ideas which I believe can make a big difference in our region and other regions, and which I think address our own needs and expectations by tailoring IEEE services and probably creating new ones.

I believe I am qualified for this position as my main drive is to see a successful organization which can help students, young professionals, professionals and all our members to build their careers and contribute within their own organizations, governments and businesses; as IEEE has helped me.



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As a **TRUE VOLUNTEER** I am always motivated to do more. Volunteering for 37 years from a student volunteer to a Division Director position, I have always given the best of me and it will be my **COMMITMENT** to continue doing as Region 9 Director.

Also, being involved in many committees from TAB to MGA, gives me the IEEE knowledge, contacts and experience to run our region.

As a dedicated professional I am also involved with the “real” world having the opportunity to see what the industry needs are and how we could help to achieve and fulfill those needs.