

# IEEE Region 9 Outstanding Section Award.

### **GUIDELINES.**

# 1. Introduction

The IEEE Region 9 Outstanding Section Award is established to recognize the excellent performance of Region 9 Sections and is presented annually.

The award is for the outstanding success of a Section in fulfilling its goals - per IEEE policy - by organizing technical, professional, and geographic activities for the benefit of its members and by maintaining, enhancing, and supporting the Student Branches, Chapters, and Affinity Groups within its geographic boundaries.

#### 2. Award Presentation

This Award will be presented at a major Region event.

## 3. Eligibility

- a. All Region 9 Sections in good standing are eligible and can apply for the award.
- b. No Section may receive two IEEE Region 9 Outstanding Section Awards within three years.

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#### 4. Nominations

Nominations must be submitted through the system which shall be informed by Region 9 Awards and Recognitions Committee. The deadline for submission is February 20.

- a. A statement must be included in the nomination that identifies the specific activities performed by the Section that qualify it to be an Outstanding Section in Region 9.
- b. The nomination form must be completed by a nominator, officer of the Section, familiar with the work of the Section.
- c. The nominated Section must have fulfilled all of the IEEE reporting requirements on time.

#### 5. Criteria

The following aspects and activities are considered in the selection of the Outstanding Section and should be part of the nomination documents:

- The completed nomination form for the IEEE Region 9 Outstanding Section Award must be submitted before the deadline.
- Section submission of financial, officers, and meeting reports is a necessary condition for award nomination.
- Data concerning member retention of the Section.
- Data about the number of Student Branches relative to the number of technical universities within the Section's geographic boundaries.
- Report concerning the activities of YP / WIE / Life Members Affinity Groups, etc. within the Section, or the plans for their formation.



- Report about Student Branches activities (e.g., Student paper contest, recruitment of Student members, etc.).
- Report about technical and professional activities, (e.g. professional meetings, continuing educational activities, conferences, workshops, chapters' technical meetings, use of IEEE distinguished lecturers Program, etc.).
- Report about activities related to membership development within the Section.
- Report concerning means of communications with Section members, including the frequency of newsletter issues, e-mail newsletters, regular updating of Section, Chapters, and Student Branches Web pages.
- Community projects and services that increase public visibility of IEEE.

# 6. Other criteria used for the selection of the Outstanding Section:

- Relationship of Section to National Societies, other non-IEEE organizations, and industry.
- Conferences sponsored by the Section.
- Public events held by the Section to help improve the visibility of IEEE and its members.
- Activities performed in the Section on behalf of society and the engineering profession.

### 7. Selection and award process:

- IEEE Region 9 Outstanding Section Award will be presented annually.
- Recipients will be selected by the Region 9 Awards and Recognition Committee formed by Regional Director, Regional Director-Elect, Awards & Recognition Chair, and two Past Directors appointed by the Regional Director.
- Nominees and recipients will be notified.
- Recipients will receive an inscribed plaque.
- Region 9 Director will present the award at an appropriate event to the Section Chair.

### 8. Timetable

Call for Nominations 1 September. Nomination Deadline February 20.

Announcement of the Awards will be made at the following Region 9 Meeting.