

# FORMING AN IEEE AFFINITY GROUP

# REQUIREMENTS TO FORM AN IEEE AFFINITY GROUP

An Affinity Group shall be a local, non-technical unit of an IEEE organizational unit or standing committee established by petition to the parent organizational unit to fulfill the purposes of the IEEE. "Parent organizational unit" as used in this document refers to an organizational unit or standing committee. (IEEE Bylaw I-402.9)

The following groups have been acknowledged by the MGA Board as parent organizational units as defined above and described in their charters: Young Professionals, Women in Engineering, Consultants Network and Life Member. No parent organizational unit shall be formed when the topic matter is within the domain of a technical group, as determined by a Society's or Technical Council's field(s) of interest. (MGA Board Operations Manual 9.9.A)

The petition to establish an Affinity Group shall contain the following:

- ♦ Name of the Geographic parent (Region, Section(s) or Geographic Council).
- ◆ Name of the parent organizational unit (Consultants Network (CN), Young Professionals (YP), Life Member (LM), Women in Engineering (WIE).
- Name of the organizer (who will serve as interim Chair pending election of a regular Chair at a later organization meeting). The organizer shall be of an IEEE Graduate Student Member or of higher-grade status and must be an IEEE member.
- Signatures of at least six (6) IEEE voting Members who are Members of the Section(s) involved, and who indicate they will join the Affinity Group if established.
  - In lieu of their signatures on the petition, IEEE will accept an email message from an IEEE member stating their agreement to the formation. These emails must include the name of the member, IEEE membership number and a brief statement of support of the petition. These messages are to be sent to the petition organizer who is requested to cut and paste these emails, preserving the email header information, into one document.
- A business plan that includes mission/goals, planned meetings and activities for first 6 months. (See pg. 4)
- Written approval of the Geographic parent Executive committee. (See pg. 5) The completed petition shall be submitted to the Geographic parent Executive Committee for approval, prior to submission to the Member and Geographic Activities (MGA) staff.

MGA staff will review the petition and work with the organizer to resolve any discrepancies. The Affinity Group will be considered established after the IEEE Managing Director, Member and Geographic Activities has ascertained that the Regional Director and the IEEE parent organizational unit have no objection to its formation. The IEEE Managing Director, Member and Geographic Activities shall so notify the Member and Geographic Activities Board, the IEEE parent organizational unit, and the Section.

#### TO FORM A JOINT GROUP

The requirements are the same as for a single Affinity Group. The status of an Affinity Group may be changed from single to joint, or vice versa, or from one joint combination to another, without submission of a petition. The change in status will become effective following approval of the request for change by the Regional Director(s), Affinity Group Chair, Section Executive Committee, and other entities involved.

## TO FORM A JOINT GROUP COMPRISING TWO OR MORE CONTIGUOUS SECTIONS

An Affinity Group or Joint Affinity Group may be established by the procedures defined herein to cover the territory of two or more contiguous Sections, or a Geographic Council, provided the necessary approval is obtained by all concerned. The petition shall identify the entity assuming responsibility for the Affinity Group management.

## **SUBMIT COMPLETED PETITION VIA:**

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## PETITION TO FORM AN IEEE AFFINITY GROUP

Name of IEEE Section/s or Council:	IEEE Section Bulgaria
Please specify type of Affinity Group:	x Young Professionals  Women In Engineering Consultants Network Life Member

We, the undersigned, who are members of the above Section/Council, and are IEEE members above Student grade, hereby petition for approval to form an Affinity Group in the Section indicated above.

Signature of Petitioner	Member Number	Printed Name
1. 9 Blognans	80448877	Yancho Todorov
2. Addit	91164998	Vasia Atanaesova
3. The place	90891837	Angel Marcher, Ir.
4. Julias	92721756	Gergana dazarova
5.	80161435	Tsvetan Filev
6. Perimer.	90236414	Boyan Sotizal
7. Met	92248859	VladimirKotev
8. Les af	92023481	Delyan Gennor
9. Electronic Signature	90470221	Tanya Gachovska
10. Electronic Signature	90695323	Plamen Patrashkov

\*\* 6 QUALIFIED PETITIONERS ARE REQUIRED FOR AN AFFINITY GROUP FORMATION \*\*

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## IEEE MEMBER AND GEOGRAPHIC ACTIVITIES

#### PLAN OF ACTIVITIES FOR PROPOSED YOUNG PROFESSIONALS AFFINITY GROUP

This document must accompany petitions for new Sections, Subsections, Chapters and Affinity Groups.

Please provide the following information for the proposed geographic unit.

1. What was the motivating factor that led to forming this geographic unit? What member need will be fulfilled as a result of forming this unit?

IEEE Section Bulgaria has 47 members that qualify the Young Professionals group requirements. Currently, 10 of them are joining efforts to form a Young Professionals Affinity group representing different technical areas related to business and academia. The motivation for establishment of such group lies on the idea to promote the possibilities for collaboration between the members and the potentials of IEEE publishing resources, providing quality technical papers and up to date standards.

Furthermore, forming an Affinity group will help to consolidate the YP members to meet and discuss their professional achievements and problems, to coordinate their professional life activities and to form consultant networks. Such activities are of importance for development of stable core of young professionals in contribution to local economy and education.

2. List the activities the unit will focus on for the first six months. What activities will engage the members of the unit with one another?

The first two meetings will be technical, aiming to spread word about the establishment of YP Affinity Group. Depending on the geographical location of the current YP members, the meetings will be organized in appropriate locations, in order to ensure the presence of major part of the members. During these meetings, it will be adopted an appropriate organizational structure and accomplished an election of governing body. As well, it will be discussed the launch of YP group web site and its promotion among the social networks.

In this period, all the founding members agree to promote the preliminary group activities by spreading information leaflets during their participation on local technical events and conferences.

3. What accomplishments will this unit strive to meet in its first year?

During the first year the activities of the YP Affinity Group will be focused on two major points.

- 1. Formation and consolidation of the group. Presentation of the aims and the goals for the first year. Planning the ongoing activities.
- Discussing and planning the participation of the YP Affinity Group on the next edition of IEEE "Intelligent Systems" conference which will be held in Sofia, Bulgaria in 2016.
- 4. What level of local support is engaged in support of the unit activities?

The IEEE section Bulgaria will encourage and support administratively and financially the formation of Young Professionals Affinity Group.

5. Approvals for geographic unit plan
(signatures required)

Organizer/Interim Chair of Proposed UnitPrinted Name

Signature

Chair of Parent UnitPrinted Name

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The following individual is serving as the Organizer of the Affinity Group, who will serve as interim Chair pending election of a regular Chair at a later organization meeting (must hold grade of Graduate Student Member, Member, Senior Member, or Fellow, and also be a member of the Society.)

Name:	YANCHO TODOROV			Member #/Grade:		80448877 MEMBER		
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THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE GEOGRAPHIC PARENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE								
This action	has the	approval of the _IE	EEE Section Bulgaria, Reg	gion 8.	The IEEE S	Section Bulga	ria Executive	
Committee has reviewed and confirmed the information provided on the petition and that the proposed								
geographic unit's business plan has been submitted as required.								
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Signature, Section ExCom Member Date: 18 DEC., 2014								



## Yancho Todorov <yancho.todorov@ieee.org>

## **Join IEEE YP**

1 message

Plamen Patrashkov <plamen.patrashkov@yahoo.com> Reply-To: Plamen Patrashkov <plamen.patrashkov@yahoo.com> To: Yancho TODOROV <yancho.todorov@ieee.org> Tue, Nov 25, 2014 at 3:32 PM

Dear Yancho Todorov,

I'd like to join the Bulgarian IEEE Young Professionals Affinity Group. As I presently reside outside of Bulgaria, I cannot enlist in person in the petition list. Therefore please use this email as a confirmation of my will to join this IEEE group. My IEEE membership number is: #90695323.

Kind regards, Plamen Patrashkov

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Subject Re: IEEE petition

From Tanya Gachovska <tgachovska@yahoo.com>

To yancho.todorov@iit.bas.bg <yancho.todorov@iit.bas.bg>

Date 25.11.2014 01:11

#### To who will concern:

My Name is Tanya Gachovska. I am currently living in Canada, but I continue to work with my ex colleague from Ruse University, Ruse, Bulgaria.

I will want to be a part of the IEEE Young Professionals group that will be formed in Bulgaria.

## Regards,

## Tanya Gachovska, Ph.D.,

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