Annual Activity Report of IEICE Europe Section

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1. Organization

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2. Strategy of the Section

- Increase the number of members and senior members, especially young members, to IEICE-ES
- Involve different societies in organizing and participating IEICE ICTF Conference
- Involve IEICE members from Japan to join our events

3. Membership Development Policy

- Attract young people to IEICE-ES: tutorials; panel discussion; participation in all our conferences for free
- Organizing IEICE Europe Section conferences in various European countries

4. Results of Activities During the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (April 2019– March 2021)

4.1 Conference/Symposium/Workshop

- IEICE Information and Communication Technology Forum 2020 in Nis, Serbia, online

4.2 IEICE Sponsored Lecture (Including Participant Number)

- Three invited special section speeches during IEICE 2020 International Conference on Emerging Technologies for Communications in Japan, 2020, online

4.3 The Other Events in Collaboration with IEICE Hqs or Domestic Sections, if Available

- Two seminars organized at Poznan University of Technology, supported by the local IEICE members, for students and staff members

4.4 Improvement of the Section (Membership Evolution, Advertisement of Activities, Publication, etc.)

- Proceedings of IEICE ICTF 2019 sent to IEICE Proceedings Series (not published yet)
- Proceedings of IEICE ICTF 2020 will be sent to IEICE Proceedings Series (not published yet)
- Special issue of Journal of Telecommunications and Information Technology (March 2019) and (June 2020)
- Special issue of Image Processing & Communications (March 2021) based on ext. ver. of ICTF 2020 papers
- Involving people from Serbia in IEICE activities
- Development and creation of the new website of the EUS

5. Review and Future Plan

(1) Items in 2020 Fiscal Year Plan Which Could Not Be Achieved, and Expected Solution

- Very limited success in increasing the number of (active) IEICE members in Europe
  - Solution: Organizing more specialized workshop

(2) Activity Plan in 2021 Fiscal Year

- IEICE Information and Communication Technology Forum 2021 in Poland, September 1-3, 2021 (online)
- 17th International Workshop on Cellular Nanoscale Networks and their Applications in Catania, Italy (IEICE-EUS support as well as IEICE support), September 2-4, 2021
- Seminars at Polish universities presenting the IEICE activities
- Involving people from Italy to the IEICE activities
- IEICE TCOM Special Section

6. Constructive Opinion/Request/Proposal

- Involve people working in Europe for Japanese companies to participate IEICE EUS conferences
- Increasing number of papers submitted to IEICE journals