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Message from the Chairman



Dear IEEE Members,

At the outset, I express my sincere thanks to all the IEEE members in India for giving me the opportunity to serve them as the Chair of IEEE India Council in 2017. It is a great opportunity, but at the same time is a big responsibility. I would like to rise up to the expectations of the membership to the best of my ability. I also express my happiness to have a very strong and energetic team including office bearers and execom members to take forward to activities of IEEE IC in this year. Each of them is committed to the cause of IEEE and is geared up to give their best. My hearty thanks and appreciation to all of them for shouldering such responsibilities.

The IC Newsletter is coming out in its new avatar through this first issue in 2017. As you may be aware that Mr. H.R.Mohan has once again taken up the challenging task of the Newsletter Editor (He was the editor during 2013). I convey my deep appreciation for the services extended by Mr. Mohan in coming up with a commendable version of the newsletter. I would also like to put on record that all the Sections extended their overwhelming cooperation in providing the inputs to the newsletter. I thank all the Section leaders for their support.

The flagship program of IEEE IC, viz. INDICON 2017, will be held in IIT Roorkee in collaboration with IEEE UP Section. I hereby appeal to all IEEE members to make this INDICON another success story, as in the previous years. In this context, I would also like mention that IEEE IC Execom has finalized a new Logo for INDICON this year. All India Students Young Professional Women in Engineer's Congress will be held in MNNIT Allahabad. Details will be circulated shortly. In a major step towards coordinating Students' and Young Professionals' activities in India, VC SAC, Prof J.Ramkumar, and VC Young Professional, Mr. Gitansh Anand, have formed Students Coordination Team comprising 30 student volunteers from different sections, under 10 committees. IEEE IC is in the process of instituting two distinct annual awards for WIE. The details will be available soon. IEEE WIE ILS will be held in Goa with IEEE IC co-sponsorship. IEEE IC partnered with Google for conducting Google Android Development Program for students members of IEEE CS. It may be seen that we already had an eventful first quarter of 2017 and a packed year is ahead of us with exciting programs. Let us all join our hands together to make these programs successful and memorable.

I would also like to highlight one more achievement of IEEE IC in the first quarter of 2017. Dr. Suryanarayana Doolla has taken up the responsibilities of IEEE IC Webmaster in 2017. He has done an outstanding job in the shortest possible time and come with a new website for IEEE IC, which is not only informative and easy to navigate, but also contemporary in design and appearance. My heartfelt thanks to Dr. Surya for his enormous efforts.

I might have missed some event or some major initiative from some IEEE Volunteers in this message, albeit inadvertently. Please bring the major efforts to my notice so that those can be highlighted in the later editions.

I am sure that with the help of active IEEE volunteers in India, we will be able to keep the momentum in publishing attractive IEEE IC Newsletter in the months and years to come, which will be of archival value.

With warm fraternal greetings,

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