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## Report on 2017 IEEE Region 10 Annual Meet held on March 4-5, 2017 in Chiba City, Japan



It was my honour and privilege to represent IEEE India Council in the 2017 IEEE Region Meet. The meet Chaired by R10 Director Kukjin Chun was attended by more than 100 delegates including several past R10 Directors. Quite a few IEEE dignitaries attended and addressed the meeting, viz. IEEE President, Karen Bartleson, MGA Vice-President, Mary Ellen Randall and TAB Vice-President, Marina Ruggieri.

On the first day of the meeting, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017, Training Workshops were organized in two breakout sessions in the forenoon and Poster Sessions by EXECOM members were held on various IEEE activities in the afternoon apart from transacting regular administrative and financial agenda. Presentations were also made by 50 Years Celebration Committee and Sections Congress 2017 Committee. In the afternoon, a special session with Q&A was held in which President-Elect Candidates 2018, Vincenzo Piuri and Jacek Zurada, took part. The busy day was concluded in a fitting manner by the 50 Year Celebration Dinner.

On the second day of the meeting, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017, three knowledge sharing sessions were held in which presentations were made by 2016 R10 Large Section Award Winner, Medium Section Award Winner and WIE Section Affinity Group Award Winner. Reports were presented on TENCON 2016, TENSYPMP 2016 and Region 10 Humanitarian Technology Conference (HTC) 2016. Informative presentations were made on TENCON 2017, TENSYPMP 2017, HTC 2017, TENCON 2018, TENSYPMP 2018 and HTC 2018. 2017 R10 Annual Meeting was formally adjourned at the end of the forenoon session on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

In the afternoon on 5<sup>th</sup> March, an exciting sight-seeing tour was conducted to Imperial Palace, Sensoji Temple and Nakamise. The excursion was followed by dinner and music in the evening. The enchanted participants ended the memorable meet with the vow to make IEEE Region 10 stronger in days and years to come.

*Report by: Dr. Sivaji Chakravorti, Chair, IEEE IC*

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**Microsoft ending support for decade-old Windows Vista:** Microsoft has announced that it's ending support for Windows Vista operating system which was released in 2006. From next month, Windows Vista users will not receive security updates, assisted support options, or online technical content updates. Almost 8% of desktop market share is still estimated to be using Vista's predecessor Windows XP, despite Microsoft ending support for it in 2014.