Message from the Chairman

Dear IEEE Members,

In physics, it is said that a lot of energy is required to move a body from rest to motion, but it takes lesser energy to keep it in motion. In partially analogous terms, I can mention here that it took a lot of efforts on the part of the IEEE IC Newsletter Coordinator and the team to put IEEE ICNL in motion in 2017. But contrary to the law of physics, it also takes a lot of efforts to keep IEEE ICNL in motion. It is indeed a great achievement of IEEE IC Newsletter Coordinator and the team to come out with the third issue of the newsletter in 2017 right on time. Once again heartiest congratulations to all IEEE volunteers who have made it happen.

I am happy to report here that twenty students as nominated by the respective Section Chairs have participated at Google Developers Meet on 2nd and 3rd Sept at Bengaluru Google office. These students were from Bombay, Kerala, Pune, Gujarat, Hyderabad, Kharagpur, Delhi, UP and Madras Sections. This meet has created good impact and branding of IC within students.

As I am writing this message, the All India Students-Young Professionals-WIE Congress 2017 is being organized with great success in the historic city of Allahabad. The congress, which is a major event under the auspices of IEEE India Council, is attended by large number of enthusiastic participants. The organizers have lined up an impressive array of speakers, which adds immense value to the event. I also take this opportunity to thank all the Sections, which have supported this event pro-actively.

IEEE IC awards committee has received very good number of nominations for IEEE India Council Outstanding Student Branch Award and IEEE India Council Outstanding Volunteer Award. The awards committee under the able leadership of VC, Awards, is taking all necessary steps towards following a selection process, which is line with IEEE awards guidelines. It is also pertinent to mention here that the joint agreement for the WIE awards with Hope foundation is under revision based on inputs from IC and shall be announced during INDICON-17.

The preparations for IEEE Indicon-2017 are at an advanced stage. The conference, as in the case of previous years, has received large number of contributed papers. The organizers are now fine tuning the conference details which will soon be available on the Indicon website. I am confident that we are going to have a grand Indicon-2017.

On a different note, I would like to mention here that, as per the rules of IEEE, any event sponsored by any chapter of IEEE IC needs to be endorsed by IEEE IC at a later stage. I urge upon the chapters to follow this guideline to avoid any procedural difficulty at later stages of endorsement.

As reported earlier, IEEE IC is playing an important role in finalizing the report of IEEE India Adhoc-2017. A large number of IEEE volunteers and OUs have bagged prestigious awards. My heartiest congratulations to them.

The nomination committee of IEEE IC for 2017 has submitted its report, which has also been noted in IEEE IC Execom. The nomination committee has recommended one more term for the undersigned as the IEEE IC Chair in the year 2018. I humbly accept the responsibility and feel honoured to note the faith bestowed on me by the nomination committee in particular and IEEE IC in general. I pledge to give my best for IEEE IC in the days and months to come.

With warm fraternal greetings,
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