

Regional Conference Coordinator Report

**IEEE R10 Annual Meeting
Cebu, The Philippines**

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RCC Sub-Committee

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Activities of RCC

- Track approvals for conference sponsorship requests
 - Provided periodic updated list of approved IEEE sponsored conferences/symposia/workshops
 - Liaise with past / present TENCON committee members for reports and advice
 - Deal with applications and requests for IEEE R10 sponsorship – TENCON
 - Deal with issues and problems relating to conference organizing matters
 - Attend TENCON series to discuss with conference committee on organizing issues and progress and to coordinate awards presentations
 - Support Conferences organized by R10 OUs
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Past TENCON Events

- 2005: Melbourne
- 2006: Hong Kong
- 2007: Taipei
- 2008: Hyderabad
- 2009: Singapore (23-26 Nov 2009)

Future TENCON Events

- 2010: Fukuoka (21-24 Nov. 2010), Japan
Fukuoka International Congress Center, Japan.
 - 2011: Indonesia
(date and location to be announced soon)
 - 2012: Philippines
(date and location to be announced soon)
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Goals of RCC

- Provide guidance & advise on organising conferences
 - Act as interface between volunteers and RAB/TAB Meetings and Services Committee to support organisation of conferences in R10
 - Oversee organisation of TENCON series
 - Improve quality of conference organization
 - To give support in Technical Program Committee and Operation of Conferences
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Proposed Actions for 2010 and Beyond

- Sections organizing TENCON or IEEE Conferences are recommended to attend POCO 2010
 - Find methods to overcome conference delegate presenter absenteeism.
 - Establish clear guidelines of co-sponsorship criteria
 - More effective use of internet to promote events across R10
 - Training workshop @ R10 Meeting on “TQM in Organizing Conferences”
 - Support for a second R10 Conference in the future— US\$5,000 seed money – Maybe R10 meetings can be held back to back with this Conference
 - If no takers, then offer seed money (with return of surplus) to any Sections wishing to organize IEEE conferences
 - Get R10 OUs to register with Xplore
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Financials

Budget for RCC in 2009

- \$5,000 for seed money for TENCON series
- \$500 for travel budget – travel to Indonesia – discussed with Org Com of TENCON2011
- TOTAL: \$5,500

EXPENSE REPORT

- Total Spent = USD449 in 2009 (Attended the first Organizing Committee Meeting in Jakarta 26th Oct 2009)
- Budget Given=USD500
- Left= USD51

- USD5,000 for TENCON2010 not required by Fukuoka Section

TOTAL INCOME FROM TENCON SERIES

Income from TENCON Series (in USD)

- TENCON 2005 Surplus to R10 = \$15,171 (Melbourne)
 - TENCON 2006 Surplus to R10 = \$13,829 (Hong Kong)
 - TENCON 2007 Surplus to R10 = \$9,266.99 (Taipei)
 - TENCON 2008 Surplus to R10 = \$5353.33 (Hyderabad)
 - TENCON 2009 = accounts not yet closed (Singapore)
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TENCON2013

WE NOW OPEN INVITATION TO R10 SECTIONS TO APPLY TO BE HOST OF TENCON 2013

- Please submit to R10 Conference Coordinator (marzuki.khalid@gmail.com or marzuki@utm.my)
 - Your proposal in ppt format:
 - Should include: (1) Theme and Scope (2) Probable Dates and Location (3) Proposed Fees for Members and Non Members including Students (4) Photos of Location (5) Other Attractions
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BUDGET FOR 2010 FOR CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

- Approved Budget for Reg Conference Committee: USD14k
- USD5,000 as required by Indonesia Section
- USD5,000 seed money for other conferences proposed by R10 OUs
- Terms of Condition
 - Any R10 OUs can apply as seed money but need to repay with a share of the surplus
 - OUs may apply up to USD2,000 per conference- this will be judiciously vetted by Committee
 - To be recommended by RCC and approved by R10 Director
- Travel and Misc Budget for RCC =USD4,000
 - Attending POCO Series
 - Attending TENCON 2011 (Fukuoka)
 - Organize meetings with TENCON Org Committees

TENCON 2012 Applicants

- Beijing, Shanghai, Xian, Wuhan, Chengdu, Harbin and Nanjing Sections
 - Thailand
 - Queensland
 - Bangalore
 - Kerala
 - **Philippines** – Awarded to Philippines Section
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Set up List of R10 Conferences

- Some Examples (total more than 20 in 2009)
- IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Society will sponsor the conference entitled "2009 IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium (IV)". This conference will be held June 3-5, 2009 in **Xian, China**.
 - IEEE Robotics and Automation Society will sponsor the conference entitled "2009 International Conference on Information and Automation (ICIA)". This conference will be held June 22-24, 2009 in **Zhuhai, China**.
 - IEEE Communications Society will sponsor the conference entitled "2009 13th IEEE International Enterprise Distributed Object Computing Conference (EDOC 2009)". This conference will be held August 31 - September 4, 2009 in **Auckland, New Zealand**.
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Support to Conferences in R10

R10 has technically co-sponsored 4 Conferences in 2009 and 2010

- Main Rule: Must first be approved by a R10 OU
 - **2009 ASID** -International Conference on Anti-counterfeiting, Security, and Identification in Communication -20-22 August 2009, City University of Hong Kong
 - **ICUT2009** -The 4th International Conference on Ubiquitous Information Technologies & Applications -December 20-22, 2009, in Kyushu Sangyo University, Fukuoka, Japan- technically co-sponsored by IEEE Seoul Section.
 - **IRIS2010** - International Symposium on Robotics and Intelligent Sensors 2010 (8-9 March 2010) – supported by Nagoya Section
 - **ICACT2010** - International Conference on Advanced Communication Technology 2010 - February 7-10, 2010 in Phoenix Park, Korea – supported by Daejon Section
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ISSUES OF CONCERN

- **Low quality papers**
 - Need to improve reviewing process
 - Identify IPC members who have good technical background (work with Technical Activities Coordinator)
 - **Plagiarism**
 - Conference organizer must be strict on this
 - **Provide Technical Co-Sponsorship by R10**
 - Have supported a few Conferences organized by R10 OUs for 2009 and 2010 by part sponsor or technical co-sponsor
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Committee on Technical Co-Sponsorship

- **Technical Co-Sponsorship Ad Hoc Committee**
 - The committee is to identify options to increase the positives and decrease the negatives of IEEE technical co sponsorship. There is currently a lack of agreement on how and when technical co-sponsorship should be used. In addition, the guidelines for technical co sponsorship are unclear. The use of technical co-sponsorship has increased over the past few years. **Some technically cosponsored conferences compete with existing conferences offered by the societies/councils, some use the IEEE logo and Xplore while the surplus generated goes to non-IEEE entities, and, at least one tech cosponsored conference chair has stated that he provides a forum for articles that were rejected by an IEEE financially sponsored conference (and his conference articles go into Xplore).** The full extent of the problem is not yet understood.
 - **Members**
Tommy Mayne, Chair, Tom Habetler, Roberto de Marca, Deb Cooper, David Hodges, and Gerald Engel
 - **Staff** : Susan Root, IEEE Conference Services (Committee Support)
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SUMMARY OF RCC - 2010

- Host for TENCON 2012 has been awarded to Philippines Section
 - Publicize to R10 OUs to register for IEEE Information Schedule and IEEE Conference Publication Program (Xplore) to get rebate from HQ
 - Has set up a Conference List organized by R10 OUs and supported by Technical Societies
 - More effective use of internet to promote events across R10 – work with ECC and Newsletter
 - R10 has Technically Co-Sponsored 4 Conferences and Supported 2 Other Conferences (since Jan 2009)
 - Updated rules on TENCON series for OUs and R10 Conference Operation Manuals
 - R10 TENCON Series has achieved surpluses since Year 2000
 - OUs can now apply for seed money other than TENCON
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THANK YOU

