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Region 3,

The Region 3 Employment Assistance Project has now begun. Sections are sending in the names / contact information for their local Employment Assistance Coordinators. If you have not sent in your Coordinator information, please do ASAP. For the project, we have scheduled two Career & Employment Assistance Workshops during the month of October. More Workshops will be scheduled as needed as we deliver this important service to the members of Region 3.

#### The Workshops

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The first workshop will be delivered during the [Region 3 Fall Meeting](#) that will be held on October 1 - 3 at the [Atlanta Airport Hilton](#). The Workshop will be on Saturday, October 2. This Workshop is designed to be a "Train the Trainer" session where each Section is encouraged to send their local Employment Assistance Coordinator to participate in the meeting. If the Coordinator is different than the Section Chair who usually attends the Fall Meeting, the Coordinator should bring with them a written Proxy for any votes that are taken during the formal ExCom meeting on Sunday. Our main meeting room at the hotel can accommodate about 100 people. Please [register](#) for the meeting as soon as possible so we can support the Region 3 ExCom, Section Representatives and as many Atlanta area people as possible.

There will be breakout sessions on Friday and Saturday nights to support additional Leadership presentations by Charles Lord and his team. For those of you that will be flying to the Fall Meeting, please make your reservations ASAP to minimize your travel expenses.

The second workshop, [Career Survival for Engineers and Scientists in the 21st Century](#), will be held on October 23 at the [Cocoa Civic Center](#) in Cocoa, Florida. This workshop is intended to first support local engineers that are affected by reductions in NASA shuttle operations and other Florida companies. We will also transmit a web cast of the presentations to all 41 Region 3 Sections so that every engineer in Region 3 can benefit from this training. During this web cast, the Employment Assistance Coordinators that were trained during the Atlanta Workshop will be facilitating their own local Workshops to support members of their Sections. Every Section is encouraged to reserve their own meeting rooms now to support their local Employment Assistance Workshop on October 23.

For engineers that do not need a formal Workshop to support their career / employment needs, we have developed a new [brochure](#) that lists the Membership Benefits that are available to IEEE members. This brochure does provide links to all of the IEEE and IEEE-USA career websites. This brochure is attached to this email. For Region 3 members, the key career web site to bookmark is,

<http://www.ieeeusa.org/careers/default.asp>

We also have a Region 3 Employment Assistance web site with unique features that include a company database and links to local employment resources. Please review this web site and help us develop additional resource links that can benefit Region 3 members.

<http://ewh.ieee.org/reg/3/ea/>

Ed Kirchner, ([ed.kirchner@ieee.org](mailto:ed.kirchner@ieee.org)), is our [Employment & Career Services Committee Representative](#). Please use Ed as a ongoing resource to understand what the IEEE can do to support the career needs of your members.

## The Survey

Economic conditions for engineers continue to change. To ensure we understand the needs of our members on a Section by Section basis, we have created a [Region 3 Career & Employment Survey](#) on SurveyMonkey that asks six basic questions. An e-notice announcing this survey is being mailed to every current and former Region 3 member. Please encourage all of your members to take this short but very important survey. The results will enable us to develop additional details for our Region 3 Employment Assistance Project. You can take the survey yourself by going to,

<http://surveymonkey.com/s/region3employmentsurvey>

Finally, I want to thank all of you for working on this important project. One of the biggest benefits of being an IEEE member is becoming a part of the IEEE Network. Let's make the network work for our fellow members that are unemployed.

Sincerely,

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