



# Sections Congress 2017

*Presentation to Region 3*

*20 February 2017*

# General Information

- ▶ International Convention Centre Sydney, Australia (ICC Sydney)
  - 14 Darling Drive, Sydney NSW 2000
- ▶ 11 – 13 August 2017
- ▶ Registration Fee for Primary Section Delegate (PSD) will be waived
  - Code will be supplied after registration opens
- ▶ PSD Hotel for 4 nights will be reimbursed
- ▶ PSD Meals outside of conference will be reimbursed (upto US\$200)
- ▶ Lowest Fare Coach airfare will be reimbursed
  - Upgraded fare reimbursement requests must include a printout of lowest fare coach airfare
  - Discount codes for airlines will be provided (Delta, United, Qantas)



# Logistics

- ▶ Registration Rate: US\$350
  - Waived for Primary Section Delegate
- ▶ Partner Registration: US\$100
  - Access to Friday Night Dinner
  - Partner Programs being developed
- ▶ Region 3 will hold a meeting for all Region attendees on Friday Afternoon
  - Details are still in planning phases
- ▶ Region 3 has selected the Hilton Sydney as our preferred hotel
  - A block of rooms will be reserved for Region 3 attendees
  - Rate: AU\$319/night ~US\$245/night
  - 4 Nights will be reimbursed



# Reimbursement

- ▶ All expenses for PSD will be reimbursed by MGA
  - Only airfare maybe submitted early for reimbursement prior to the conference
  - Expense reports must be submitted in PDF format to Sean Haynes ([s.a.haynes@ieee.org](mailto:s.a.haynes@ieee.org))
  - Only lowest available coach airfare at the time of reservation will be reimbursed
  - All other expenses (meals, hotel, visa, etc.) will be reimbursed post-conference
- ▶ All other attendees will be reimbursed via their sponsoring entity.

# Travel

- ▶ US Passport holders require eTA to travel to Australia
  - <https://www.eta.immi.gov.au/ETAS3/etas>
  - Cost AU\$20
- ▶ Jamaica Passport holders require e600 Visa to travel to Australia
  - <https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600-/Visitor-e600-visa-online-applications>
  - Cost AU\$135
- ▶ Other Passport holders see Australia Visa Page
  - <https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa>

# Recommendation Process

- ▶ The Recommendation Process has changed from prior years
- ▶ Each Region can supply at most 3 recommendations
- ▶ Recommendations must align with results from 2016 Member Segmentation Study for areas with High Importance but Low Satisfaction
  - Networking
  - Skills Improvement
  - Public Service
- ▶ Recommendations will be developed at SoutheastCon 2017 in Charlotte

# Recommendation Criteria Matrix

	Young Professional	Women in Engineering	Student	Entrepreneur	Industry Professional	Other Member Groups
<b>Skills Improvement</b> - Technical Skills - Continuing Education Opportunities - ....	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
<b>Networking</b> - Interaction with other members - Local meetings with other professionals - Online meetings and webinars - ....	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
<b>Public Service</b> - Promoting the appreciation of technology and our profession to the general public - Representation on public policy issues related to the profession - ....	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓