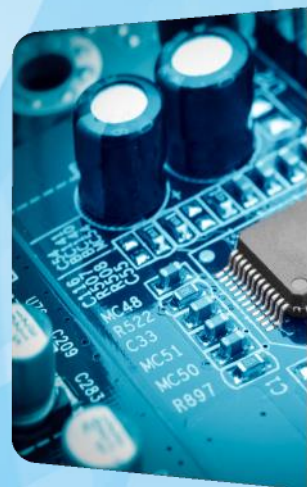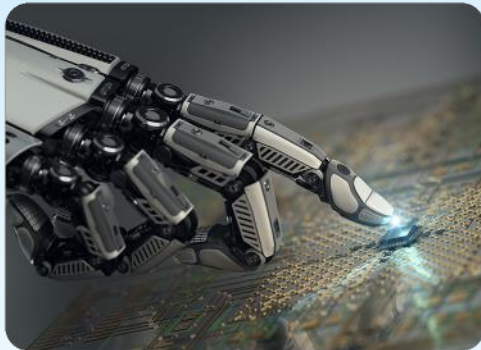# IEEE Region 3 SoutheastCon 2022

Conference Committee

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Region 3 Conference Committee Chair

Article V.2: The Conference Committee (CC) shall facilitate effective and timely conference planning and execution in the Region, especially SoutheastCon.

Article VI: SoutheastCon Technical Conference & Exhibition is held for the technical and professional development of Region 3 members as specified in the Region 3 ByLaws (see VI.2). The Region 3 Student Conference may be held concurrently. SoutheastCon will be moved around the Region to provide the opportunity for all Region 3 entities to serve as hosts or co-hosts.

Committee Membership Breakdown:
- The CC Chair,Vice Chair shall be a member.
- The Delegate/Director-elect shall be a member.
- The immediate past CC Chair shall be a member.
- The Student Activities Chair shall be a member.
- The Region 3 Treasurer shall be a member.
- The Conference Operations Specialist shall be a member.
- A past Delegate/Director shall be a member and serve as a mentor.
- The Present, immediate Past and next two Future SoutheastCon General Chairs or an agreed upon representative (by the specific SoutheastCon Committee and the Region 3 Director) shall be members.
- A member of the IEEE Staff dealing with conferences may be a non-voting member.

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- Encourage Region 3 organizational units to develop conferences to meet the specialized interests of their members.

- Solicit invitations from Sections in Region 3 to host SoutheastCon in accordance with the Region 3 SoutheastCon Operations Manual.

- Maintain a library of accumulated experience of the Region related to conferences to help ensure the success of future conferences.

- Periodically review the effectiveness of the conferences sponsored by Region 3 organizational units and make recommendations for improvements.

- Give assistance in the negotiation of contracts for service. Review, and approve all such contracts where Region 3 might have financial liability over $5000.00.

- Provide support for Region 3 conferences including sub-OUs with a focus on SoutheastCon.

- Maintain the IEEE Region 3 SoutheastCon Operations Manual.

Responsibilities

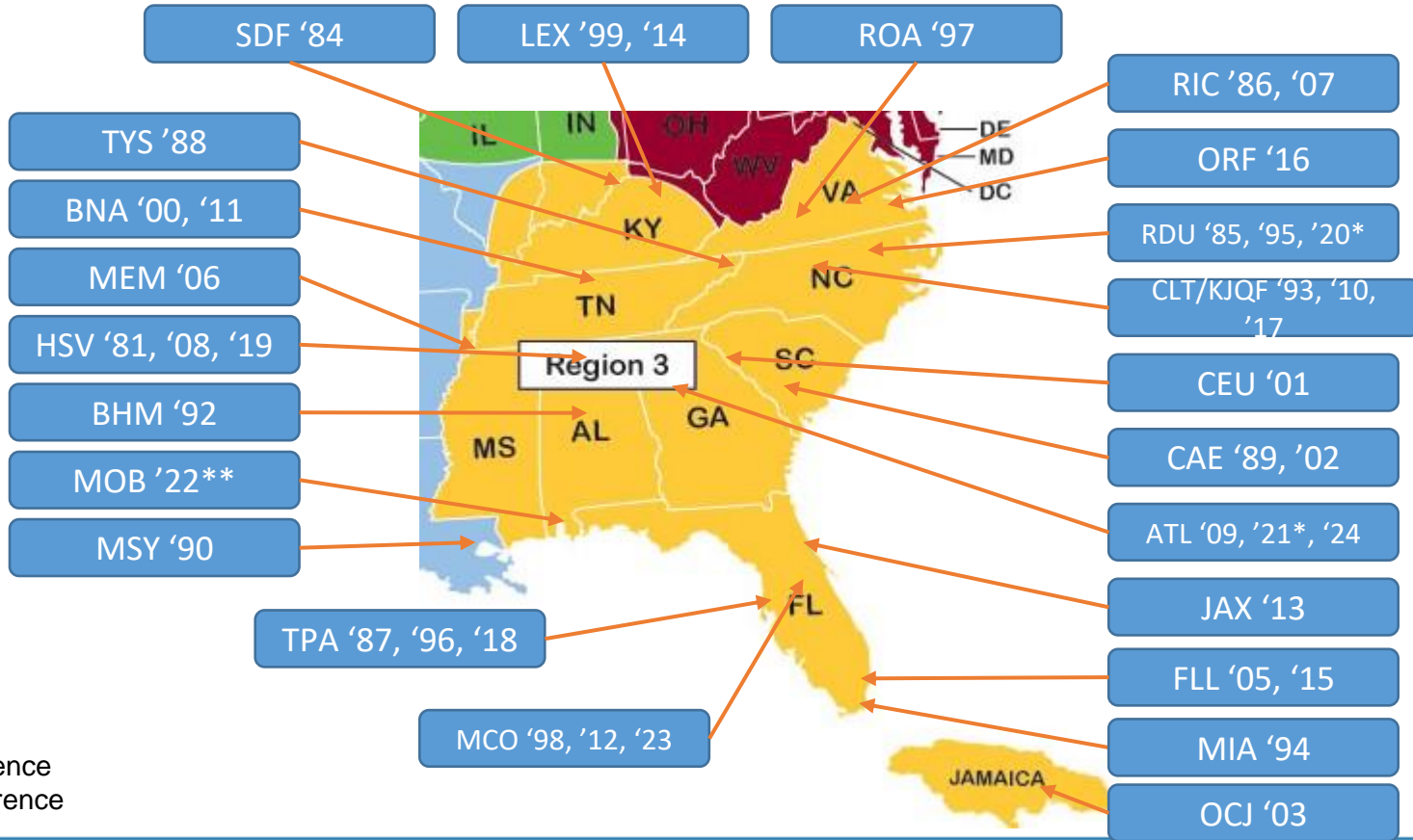IEEE
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- Engage Section/Council members to work together toward a common good

- Expand volunteers that can assist various roles on the conference committee

- Provide members with new leadership/mentorship roles

- Expand IEEE visibility within local community

- Increase visibility to IEEE members locally

- Engage with other technical societies such as AIAA, ASME, INCOSE, SWE…

- Increase student memberships and participation

- Engage K-12 STEM

- Provide source of revenue to hosting Section/Council

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- Liaison between Region and Section for SoutheastCon
  - Financial and Technical Co-sponsorships
  - Provide continuity of knowledge

- Initiating activities to expand Region sponsored conference beyond SoutheastCon
  - Expanding locally hosted Technical conference with support from Region to be held in late summer/early fall
  - Re-engaging conferences that were held in the past with support from Region Conference Committee
  - Engaging with other Regions for joint conferences

- Mentoring
  - Can provide a mentor for a hosted conference
  - Mentors have many years of experience hosting IEEE conferences

- Support
  - Can provide conflict resolution
  - Can provide recommendations for services
  - On a case-by-case basis may be able to provide financial startup loan

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Conference Committee Chair	Eric S. Ackerman
Conference Committee Vice Chair	Wyman Williams
Region 3 Director	Theresa Brunasso
Region 3 Director Elect	Eric Grigorian
Past Conference Committee Chair & Mentor	Sean Haynes
Regional Student Activities Chair	Bailey Heyman
Conference Operations Specialist	Charles Lord
Region 3 Treasurer	John Balsam
Former Region 3 Director	Jim Conrad
Southeastcon 2020	Parag Upadhyay
Southeastcon 2021	Wyman Williams
Southeastcon 2022	Warren Nicholson
Southeastcon 2023	Joe Juisai

Committee Members

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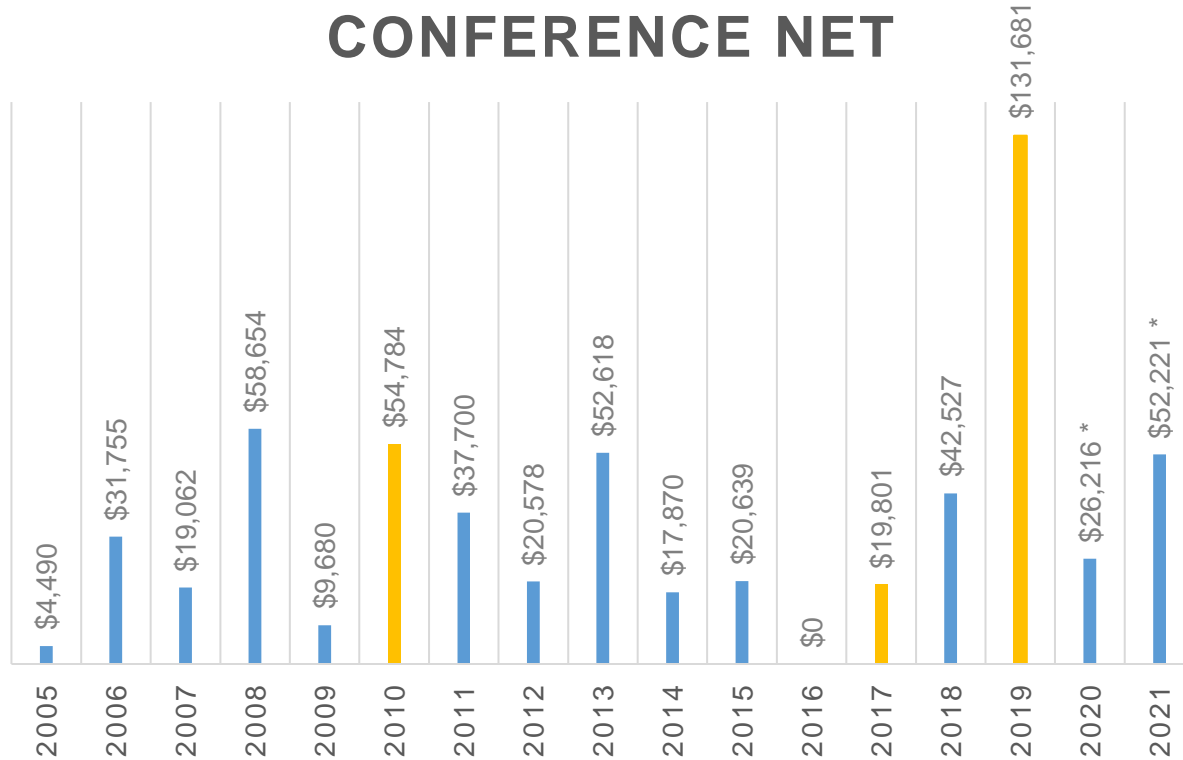*Advancing Technology for Humanity*

Annual Region 3 Conference

- Local Sections Notify Conference Committee of Interest (2025+)
  - Region will review location with Section for potential sites that could be host based on current conference requirements
  - Region will review and establish initial budget based on

- Region will provide registration logistics
- Region will work with Section to perform all logistics associated with site selection.
- Region will provide mentors
- Section is expected to provide
  - Local Organizing Committee (General Chair, Treasurer, Program Chair, Student Program Chair)
  - Engage and expand Student Chapter involvement
  - Local Volunteer Staff at Conference Time
- Region will be responsible for Student Paper, Ethics, Networking, T-shirt, and Website Competitions
- Section will be responsible for Student Hardware, Software, and any additional locally developed Competitions
- Requires a 3 year commitment

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SDF '84

LEX '99, '14

ROA '97

RIC '86, '07

ORF '16

RDU '85, '95, '20*

CLT/KJQF '93, '10, '17

CEU '01

CAE '89, '02

ATL '09, '21*, '24

JAX '13

FLL '05, '15

MIA '94

OCJ '03

TYS '88

BNA '00, '11

MEM '06

HSV '81, '08, '19

BHM '92

MOB '22**

MSY '90

TPA '87, '96, '18

MCO '98, '12, '23

*Virtual Conference
**Hybrid Conference

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- Specific to SoutheastCon

- A guide for Region and hosting Sections on "How to Hold a SoutheastCon"

- Living document that will be updated as conference hosting processes evolve
  - Based on lessons learned
  - Provides details of all activities associated with hosting a conference
  - Links and POCs to assist with planning

- Collaboratively updated based on input from committee members to take on specific sections and provide content.

- Released document available on Region website for Sections/Council considering to host.

https://r3.ieee.org/wp-content/uploads/SoutheastCon-Operations-Manual-Rev-.pdf

Conference Manual

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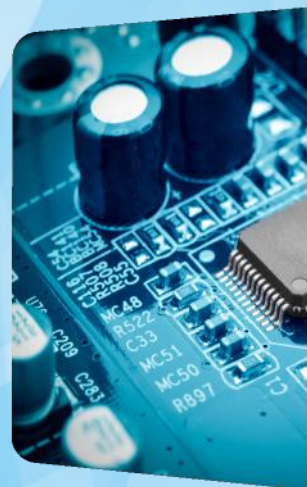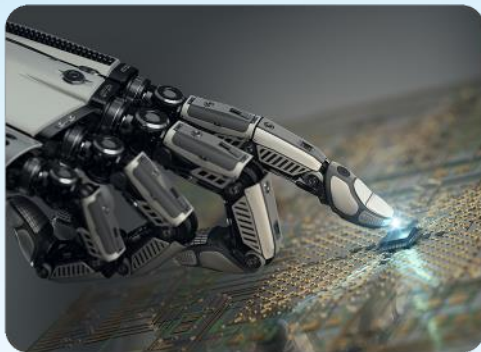
Questions??

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