

IEEE Region 3 Conference Committee Report - 2024-01-22

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The conference committee held its first meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 and our standing meetings will be on the second Tuesday of each month at 1900 ET.

We are preparing for a successful 2024 SoutheastCon in Atlanta in March. Both conference and hotel registration for the conference are now open. Region 3 committee members should immediately register for the conference at the IEEE SoutheastCon website: <https://ieeesoutheastcon.org>. Region 3 committee member registration is \$500 for the conference and lodging at the Westin Peachtree Plaza is \$196 per night plus taxes and fees.

The committee received and approved the proposal from Huntsville to host SoutheastCon 2026 and will be taking the proposal to the Financial Committee in February. Members of the Region 3 committee should look for an offline approval of the Huntsville proposal in mid- to late-February so that Huntsville can obtain support from IEEE Meetings, Conferences, and Events (MCE) to negotiate and lock in venues.

The committee will also be seeking proposals for hosting the 2027, 2028, and 2029 SoutheastCon conferences. We are working with the communications committee to reach out to the Region 3 section chairs to canvas for proposals. Ideally, we would like to make a selection for 2027 in Q2 and both 2028 and 2029 in Q3 this year.

Any questions or concerns should be directed either me or the committee vice-chair, Stephen Hopkins.

Respectfully submitted,

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