



## AFFINITY GROUP PETITION

### REQUIREMENTS TO FORM AN IEEE AFFINITY GROUP

*An Affinity Group shall be a local unit of an IEEE organizational unit or standing committee established by petition to the parent organizational unit to fulfill the purposes of the IEEE. "Parent organizational unit" as used in this manual refers to an organizational unit or standing committee. The following groups have been acknowledged by RAB as parent organizational units as defined above and described in their charters: Graduates of the Last Decade, Women in Engineering and Consultants Network. No parent organizational unit shall be formed when the topic matter is within the domain of a technical group, as determined by the Societies' field of interest.*

The petition to establish an Affinity Group shall contain the following:

- ◆ Name of the Section or Sections.
- ◆ Name of the parent organizational unit.
- ◆ Name of the organizer (who becomes interim Chair pending election of a regular Chair at a later organization meeting).
- ◆ Signatures of at least six (6) IEEE Members, other than Students, who are Members of the Section(s), involved and who indicate they will join the Affinity Group if established.

The petition shall be submitted to the Section Executive Committee for written approval and forwarded with this written approval to the IEEE Managing Director, Regional Activities. Regional Activities staff will review the petition and work with the organizer to resolve any discrepancies. The Affinity Group shall be considered established after the IEEE Managing Director, Regional Activities has ascertained that the Regional Director and the IEEE parent organizational unit have no objection to its formation.

The IEEE Managing Director, Regional Activities shall so notify the Regional Activities Board, the IEEE parent organizational unit, and the Section Chair on behalf of the IEEE Executive Director.

### TO FORM A JOINT GROUP

The requirements are the same as for a single Affinity Group, except that not less than three of the six (6) signatures on the petition shall be members of each of the parent organizational units involved.

The status of an Affinity Group may be changed from single to joint, or vice versa or from one joint combination to another, without submission of a petition. The change in status will become effective following approval of the request for change by the Regional Director(s), Affinity Group Chair, Section Executive Committee, and other entities involved.

### TO FORM A JOINT GROUP COMPRISING TWO OR MORE CONTIGUOUS SECTIONS

An Affinity Group or Joint Affinity Group may be established by the procedures defined herein to cover the territory of two or more contiguous Sections, or a Council, provided the necessary approval is obtained by all concerned. The petition shall identify the entity assuming responsibility for the Affinity Group management.

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Name of IEEE Sponsoring Unit: Region 5

Name of IEEE Section/s: Galveston Bay Section

We, the undersigned, who are members of the above Section, hereby petition for approval to form an Affinity Group in the Section indicated above.

Printed Name	Member Number	Signature of Petitioner
1. Rama Shastri	40244643	
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**\*\*MINIMUM OF 6 PETITIONERS ARE REQUIRED FOR AN AFFINITY GROUP FORMATION\*\***

The action has the approval of the Section Executive Committee.

The following individual is serving as the Organizer of the Affinity Group:

*Note: The organizer of the Affinity Group must hold grade of Member, Senior Member or Fellow*

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Please send petition to the attention of **Lauren Leaston** via fax to +1 732 463 9359 or mail to:

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