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Mr. Claude V. Pitts, III  
Chair, Florida West Coast Section  
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers  
1748 Brightwaters Blvd. NE  
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Dear Mr. Pitts,

The University of South Florida College of Engineering would be pleased to support the Florida West Coast Section of the IEEE in hosting the Region 3 annual conference, SoutheastCon 2018, scheduled for late March 2018. Specifically, the Department of Electrical Engineering at USF College of Engineering (CoE), supported by others in the College, would assume responsibility for the planning and implementation of the student program, consisting of the hardware competition, software competition, ethics competition, website competition, student paper competition, and T-shirt competition. The working team at CoE, led by faculty in Electrical Engineering, would also take the lead in organizing the technical program of the conference.

We anticipate a healthy level of student participation, as is evidenced by the high levels of student activity seen in all IEEE student branch and chapter activities this past year at USF. We will also draw on the expertise of our faculty, particularly in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and Engineering, to contribute to the success of the conference.

Please count on our support of this major IEEE conference, and feel free to contact members of the CoE faculty to assist in the planning of the conference.

Best regards,

  
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