I want to thank the entire SoutheastCon 2022 team for all their hard work to make the meeting a success. The student competitions were exciting, and it was great to see so many people in person again.

I spent this past weekend meeting with IEEE-USA Directors and staff to discuss the future of IEEE-USA. As we have discussed before, the USA membership continues to decline and age out. We are looking at ways to reduce spending and bring in money to replace the revenue lost as members retire.

The June Board series is in Bellevue, Washington next month, and Director-Elect Grigorian and I will be there representing our region. During the meeting series, a "Meet the 2023 IEEE President-Elect Candidates Forum" will be held on Friday, 24 June 2022 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm PT. The event will be livestreamed for IEEE members not attending the June Meeting Series. I encourage you to watch the forum and learn more about the candidates.

As always, thanks for all you do for IEEE!

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