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Past Director Gostin, Director-Elect Grigorian and I just returned from the Board meeting series in Chicago last week. We had a full schedule of meetings, and the agendas for both [Sections Congress](#), and our next Region 3 meeting are being finalized. We'll have more information about that at tonight's meeting.

I hope many of you have already registered for [Sections Congress](#), which will be held at the Shaw Center in Ottawa. Region 3 will hold our meeting on Friday, August 11 from 9 to 3. The Congress will start Friday evening and run through Sunday at 5:00 PM. You should book your hotel for four nights. Every Section should have selected a delegate, and notified both [Evelyn Licon](#) and your [Area Chair](#). If you haven't registered your delegate, contact your [Area Chair](#), and he can help you. [Voting](#) members of the [Region 3 ExCom](#) should also register, and the Region will cover your costs. It's not easy to get direct flights to Ottawa. I'm flying to Montreal and taking the train from there to Ottawa. There are a couple ways to get from YUL to Ottawa. The fastest uses Via Rail, and two bus rides. The bus from the Montreal airport to the Dorval train station runs every 30 minutes. [Via Rail](#) runs a few times a day. The bus from the Ottawa Via Rail station to the Westin runs every 5 minutes. If you don't mind taking an extra 15 to 20 minutes, you can take a bus by [Orléans Express](#) that goes from YUL to Ottawa University, and then it's just a 9 minute walk to the [Shaw Centre](#).

Both [IEEE](#) and [MGA](#) Nominations and Appointment Committees are looking for volunteers to serve on various committees. I encourage you to consider nominating yourself or someone else to serve on a committee. It's a good way to learn more about IEEE and increase your network.

As always, thanks for all you do for IEEE!

Respectfully submitted,  
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