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STEP IN ARGENTINA SECTION

Goals

The goal of this activity is carry out the STEP program for second time in Argentina Section, with the objective to integrate the maximum number of students who are going to graduate, recent graduate students and graduate students member of IEEE. An additional objective is organize and decentralized GOLD activities beyond GOLD Coordinator's residence city, as well as develops activities in other cities that have a strong presence of GOLD members.

We also wish take this opportunity to give an incentive to all students to work in GOLD Affinity Group during 2011, organizing a lot of activities this year and try to repeat the great year that was reached in 2010.

Place and Date

Place: CIEC - Córdoba – Argentina

- Date: December 9th, 2010

Place: UNCa - Catamarca – Argentina

- Date: December 13th, 2010

Place: UNS – Bahía Blanca – Argentina

- Date: December 22nd, December

Attended

- Authorities and Professors (total 12)
 - Ricardo Taborda
 - IEEE Argentina Section President 2009/10.
 - IEEE Argentina Section President 2011
 - Pablo Recabarren
 - IEEE Cordoba Subsection President 2009/10
 - Susana Drudi
 - IEEE Cordoba Subsection Secretary 2009/10/11
 - Augusto José Herrera
 - IEEE Argentina GOLD Affinity Group Coordinator 2010/11
 - Marcelo Moreyra
 - IEEE Argentina Section Student Activities Coordinator 2009/10/11
 - Martín Di Federico
 - IEEE Argentina GOLD CAS Representative – BoG Member
 - IEEE Argentina GOLD Affinity Group Secretary 2011
 - Carmen Rodriguez
 - Córdoba Engineering Specialists College Vice President
 - Luis Calderon
 - Córdoba Engineering Specialists College President
 - Sergio Gallina
 - UNCa IEEE Student Branch Counselor
 - Nir Ayalon (Israel)
 - IBM R&D Labs.
 - Eduardo Paolini
 - Professor at National Southern University
 - Alfonso Chacón (Costa Rica)
 - Professor at Costa Rica Technological Institute
- GOLD, GSM and Students (total 15)
 - IEEE GOLD and GSM members.
 - IEEE Students Members of 6 (six) Students Branch (near to graduate):
 - Catamarca National University (Catamarca)
 - National Southern University (Bahía Blanca)
 - Blas Pascal University (Córdoba)
 - Cordoba National University (Córdoba)
 - National Technological University – Cordoba Regional (Córdoba)
 - Aeronautical University Institute (Córdoba)
 - Students from the last years of the career (not members).

Activity Description (Dinner format)

The STEP program has been developed with great success in many Regions and for the second time has been carried out in Argentina. On this occasion the event was developed in three cities: Córdoba, Catamarca and Bahía Blanca, with the idea of decentralizing activities of GOLD Coordinator's residence city. The main idea was to develop three events simultaneously, but this was not possible due to complications at the time of the events.

The most important (and the main goal) was that, including the three STEP events, has participated more than 45 members, including student members near to graduate or graduates students members (for whom this program was development) and IEEE authorities from Argentina Section. Overall Student Branches were represented by six Universities, four residents in Córdoba's city, one in Catamarca and one in Bahía Blanca.

The objective pursued with a decentralized STEP event was to disseminate GOLD activities beyond the city of GOLD Coordinator's residence, as well as develop activities in other cities that have a strong presence of GOLD members.

STEP in Córdoba

The first of the three STEP events was developed in Córdoba's city on Thursday 9, December. The event was attended by 20 IEEE members, of which approximately 15 have GOLD status. Participants also included were Eng. Ricardo Taborda, IEEE Argentina Section president's for 2011 (and vice president 2009/10), Eng. Pablo Recabarren, IEEE Córdoba Subsection president 2009/10, Eng. Augusto Herrera, IEEE GOLD Argentina Affinity Group Coordinator 2010/11, and more than 10 GOLD members (mostly GSM) living in Córdoba's city. The event was held at Córdoba Engineering Specialist College (CIEC – Colegio de Ingenieros Especialistas de Córdoba) and also had the participation of Eng. Carmen Rodriguez, vicepresident of the College. At the event also attended IEEE members from industry and academics.

Between the activities carried out, Eng. Augusto Herrera, GOLD Chair 2010 for Argentina Section, explained about the STEP program, their main goals, and encouraging all student members and graduates students members to continue actively involved in development of IEEE professional activities after graduation, maintaining active relationship with the GOLD's officers, Section and Student Branches in which they were volunteers. Then presented to all attendees GOLD activities developed in the course of 2010, and GOLD Coordinator's urged them to remain actively involved as volunteers in the activities of the Institute.

There was also lead to a formal dinner and a toast to celebrate the end of the year. Finally were delivered some presents to GOLD members with outstanding works, including Joaquin Garin, Ignacio Isaia Brasca and Federico Medeot.

STEP in Catamarca

The second STEP was carried out in Catamarca's city on Monday 13, December. It was organized by volunteers Iván Ruiz and Gustavo Soto and was attended by 10 members (including students members and GOLD) living at Catamarca, in addition to Eng. Sergio Gallina, Catamarca National University (UNCa) Vice Dean and UNCa Student Branch's Counselor.

It was the first time that an STEP event takes place in this province, which provides very active student and GOLD volunteers in Section activities.

STEP in Bahía Blanca

The third STEP event was held in Bahía Blanca's city on Wednesday 22, December. The event was attended by 17 members (mostly GSM / GOLD) most of the Southern National University (UNS). Also was attended by Marcelo Moreyra, S SAC Argentina Section in 2009/10, and Martin Di Federico, IEEE GOLD Argentina Secretary for the period 2011/12 (and GOLD CAS Representative - BoG Member), who organized the STEP event. The event also served to consolidate GOLD Affinity group in this city, one that most members have with that status.

We should noted that a similar event was pending in Tucumán's province, city of residence of Milton Marché, IEEE GOLD Argentina vicepresident, which we hope to accomplish in the course of this year.

It should be noted further that the GOLD Argentina Affinity Group has developed a total of 16 activities over the past 2010, including meetings, conferences, courses and seminars.

More information about STEP event developed in Argentina Section is in Noticieero # 74 – Vol. 22 – April 2011 – Pag. 10 available online in the website

http://ewh.ieee.org/reg/9/files/noticieeros/NoticIEEero_74.pdf

To learn more about GOLD Argentina Affinity Group visit the website

<http://ewh.ieee.org/r9/argentina/gold/>

Conclusions and Objectives

The objectives for this year are the same as those raised in the previous year¹, with the difference that it plans to increase the number of activities. With all this, the objectives are:

- Organize a minimum of 15 activities during 2011.
 - At least 5 (five) technical activities
 - At least 5 (five) non technical activities (leadership, logistic, management)
 - At least 5 (five) meetings and social events.
- To continue working together:
 - with Students Branches
 - Organize a SPAC event together, like last year
 - with Subsection
 - Organize technical events
 - with Section
 - Organize a SPAC event together, like last year
- Be present at the RR-GOLD (Regional Meeting - GOLD) and the RNR (Students Branch National Meeting).
 - RNR: October (Rosario, Argentina)
 - RR-GOLD: Salvador (Bahía, Brasil)
- Getting closer to businesses and hold events together.
- Involve in EPICS or TISP project, working together with Student Branches and Section
- Repeat STEP activity in middle year.
 - Share experiences with GOLD Affinity Groups from other Sections

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BUDGET

Expense report (three STEP's events)

EXPENDITURE	DETAIL			COST (U\$D)
Advertisement	Posters			U\$S 10.00
Disposable items	COR (only Cordoba)			U\$S 13.50
	Napkins, Cups, Bowls, Cutlery			
Transport	Taxis (only Cordoba)			U\$S 5.01
Drinks	COR	CAT	BB	U\$D 188.11
	\$ 113.11	\$ 22.50	\$ 52.50	
Break	COR (only Cordoba)			U\$D 35.31
	Sandwiches, Pie, Cake			
Food	Dinner	COR	CAT	U\$D 380.66
		\$ 142.50	\$ 45.15	
	Dessert	COR		
		\$ 25.01		
Total cost				U\$D 632.59

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GSM = Graduate Student Member

SM = Student Member

S = Student (not member)

A = Arrear Member

I = Inactive Member

NM = not member

PHOTOGRAPHS



Some students and GOLD members attending the STEP performed in Córdoba, Argentina.



Federico Madeot, Ignacio Isaia Brasca, and Joaquín Garín, GOLD members for outstanding work.



On the picture, Argentina Section and Cordoba Subsections officers, GOLD members and students members attended the GOLD STEP celebrate at Cordoba, accompanied by authorities of Engineers College, where the event was developed.



Diego Ocampo, Sergio Gallina, Horacio Cortondo, Iván Ruiz, Gustavo Soto, María Pezzolo and Lucía Maubecín, in STEP developed in Catamarca.



On the picture, some graduated Students Member attending the STEP performed in Bahía Blanca, Argentina.



On the picture, GOLD and students member attended the GOLD STEP celebrates at Bahía Blanca, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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