**IEEE Italy Section**

**Best Chapter Award**

**Purpose**

The purpose of this award is to recognize the outstanding performance of Italian Chapters and Affinity Groups in serving their members and the technical community and establishing goodwill within the Italy Section.

**Prize**

Customized certificates attesting to the exemplary operation of the Chapters/Affinity Groups and a 500-euro prize for the chapter of the year award and 400 Euro each for the most innovative chapter award, the most improved chapter award, the most increased membership chapter award and the senior member initiative award. Funds shall be spent in their institutional activities.

**Eligibility**

The Chapter /AG must have been active at least 2 years when the nomination is made. Chapters/AGs will compete on the basis of the success in the following categories and date shall refer to the last year:

1) Number and kind of technical activities (technical lectures, distinguished Lectures, tutorials, conferences, workshops, special sections, schools, ...)

2) Number of L31 form presented

3) Membership increase (percentage of increasing)

4) Fellow and senior members nominations

5) Awards for students and members

6) Contribution to the economic independence of the chapter (soliciting funds from Society, participating to Society awards and R8 awards for chapters, organizing conferences, finding financial sponsors)

Chapter should not have won the same kind of chapter award (i.e.: Chapter of the Year, Most Improved Chapter Award, Most Innovative Chapter Award, Most Increased Membership Award, Senior Member Initiative Award) in the previous year.

**Presentation**

Five awards will be given per year. The awards will be announced during the IEEE Italy Section Award Ceremony. The date of the Ceremony will be communicated. No award will be given if no qualified candidate is nominated.

**Nomination Process**

Chapter /AG Chairs shell fill in the Reporting Form (template on the web: <https://italy.ieeer8.org/documenti-2/>) and send it by e-mail to the Chapter Activity Coordinator of the IEEE Italy Section The subject of the e-mail has to contain the following information:

• IEEE Italy Section Best Chapter Award

• The name/identification of the Chapter/AG ITALY SECTION

The Reporting form can be accompanied by further supporting documentation to illustrate the nominated Chapter that deserves the award.

Candidate must demonstrate the intention to enter the competition to win the best chapter award by indicating this in the reporting form. Deadline: please e-mail the Reporting Form to the Chapter Activity Coordinator of IEEE Italy Section (giambattista.gruosso@polimi.it) by **July 15, 2023.**

The Committee composed by: IEEE Italy Section Award Committee Coordinator, IEEE Italy Section Chapter Activity Coordinator, IEEE Italy Section Chair, IEEE Italy Section Membership Development Coordinator and IEEE Italy Section Secretary will evaluate the Candidates and select the winning Chapter. The evaluation process results will be notified to the Chapter /AG Chair by the IEEE Italy Section Secretary, within September 11, 2023.