

# IEEE Kansai Section

## Section Report

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### Part A. Section Summary

#### A-1 Executive Summary

The IEEE Kansai Section was established in November 1998. The number of members of the Kansai Section as of December 31, 2000 was 1615, (See Item B-1). This number increased by 143 compared to November 30, 1999.

In 2000 the Section had seven Executive Meetings, one Annual Section Meeting, two Committee meetings, and six technical lectures. In 2001 the Section has already had two Executive Meetings, one Annual Section Meeting, and one technical lecture.

#### A-2 Section Officers and Committee Officers (2001-2002)

##### Section Officers:

Chair: Makoto Nagao (Kyoto University)  
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##### Standing Committee Chairs:

Membership Development Committee:  
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Awards Committee:  
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Technical Program Committee:

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### A-3 Chapter Chair (2001)

EDS (Electron Devices Society) Kansai Chapter

Chair Hiroshi Nozawa (Kyoto University)  
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SSCS (Solid-State Circuits Society) Kansai Chapter

Interim Chair Hidetoshi Onodera (Kyoto University)  
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### A-4 Administrative Meetings

The Kansai Section had the following five executive meetings in 2000.

1. First executive meeting Date: January 24 Place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 8  
Issues: - Activity in 2000 of Kansai Section  
- Activities of committees of Kansai Section  
- Report of 1999 of Kansai Section  
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2. Second executive meeting Date: February 16 Place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 8  
Issues: - Annual Meeting of Kansai Section
3. Third executive meeting Date: April 20 Place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 7  
Issues - Fellow Nominations  
- Activities of each Committee
4. Fourth executive meeting Date: June 7 Place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 7  
Issues - Report of Section Congress'99  
- Schedule of Technical Lectures
5. Fifth executive meeting Date: September 6 Place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 8  
Issues - 2001/2002 Officers Nominations  
- Meeting Report with the Japan Council  
- Establishment of Awards Committee and Technical Program Committee  
- IEEE Kansai Section News Letter Publishing Plan
6. Sixth executive meeting Date: October 24 Place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 8  
Issues - Region 10 Meeting Report  
- IEEE Kansai Section News Letter Report
7. Seventh executive meeting Date: December 26 place: Sumitomo Building Attendees: 8  
Issues - Introducing 2001 Kansai Section Officers  
- Fellow Nominations  
- Establishment of Kansai Chapters  
- Kansai Section GOLD Awards

## A-5 Finance

The Section's Finance is in good condition. See the attached Table 1 in the ANNEX.

## Part B. Organization Activities in 2000

### B-1 Membership Development Committee

Chair of Membership Development Committee is now appointing his committee members and will promote them to recruit new members. The number of Members of the Section as of December 31 2000 is as follows:

Grade	Grade Code	number
Honorary Member	HM	0
Life Fellow	LF	15
Fellow	F	34
Life Senior Member	LS	10
Senior Member	SM	90
Life Member	LM	24
Member	M	1107
Pending Member	PM	35
Life Associate	LA	1
Associate	A	131
Student	S	168
<b>Total</b>		<b>1615</b>

The membership development committee is now starting the following projects for increase of IEEE member in Kansai Section.

1. Announcement of merit of IEEE members.
2. Increase of Senior member in Kansai Section. (Statistics say that Senior members have higher probability of maintaining their membership.)
3. Committee members of MDC try to increase membership in their organizations.

### B-2 Student Activities Committee

In Kansai Section, we have only one student branch. Student Activities Committee has made an application for another student branch and SAC is now planning to establish new student branches. SAC also opened their home page announcing activities.

### B-3 Nominations Committee

Nominations Committee asked Fellow members in Kansai Section to recommend fellow up-grade candidates. Kansai Section had nine new Fellow members. Six of these fellow members have been

endorsed from Kansai Section.

## B-4 Awards Committee

Awards Committee established the new award, Kansai GOLD Award in our Section. This award is for student or younger members who has contributed to IEEE Kansai Section's activities. The first Kansai GOLD Award was awarded to Mr. Hirokazu Miura (Osaka University).

## B-5 Professional Activities

### **Lectures:**

1. Lecturer: Tomaso Poggio (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA)  
Title: From bits to information: machine learning theory and applications  
Date: January 14, 2000  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
2. Lecturer: James L. Flanagan (Rutgers University, USA)  
Title: Natural Communication with Machines  
Date: March 3, 2000  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
3. Lecturer: Andrew B. Whinston (University of Texas, Austin)  
Title: The Economics of Electronic Commerce  
Date: March 24, 2000  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
4. Lecturer: Nancy Lynch (MIT)  
Title: Fault-Tolerant Group Communication Services: An Overview and an Approach  
Date: July 7, 2000  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
5. Lecturer: Osamu Fujimura (The Ohio State University)  
Title: The C/D Model: A Syllable-Based Representation of Conversational Speech  
Date: August 11, 2000  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
6. Lecturer: Robert E. Shaw (University of Connecticut)  
Title: Intentional Dynamics: Ecological Foundations of Intentional Systems  
Date: August 28, 2000  
Place: ATR

## **Part C.**

### **Goals and Action Plans in 2001**

#### **C-1. Executive Meeting**

We will have six executive meetings this year.

#### **C-2 Nominations Committee**

NC will also nominate fellow up-grade candidates.

#### **C-3 Membership Development Committee**

MDC members will try to increase membership in their organizations.

#### **C-4 Student Activities Committee**

SAC will open 3 new student branches in Kansai Section. SAC is also planning several technical and social events for students in Kansai Section.

#### **C-5 Technical Program Committee**

TPC will have 4 or more Technical Lectures.

#### **C-6 Awards Committee**

AC nominates the IEEE Kansai Section GOLD Award candidates.  
Also, AC has a plan to create another awards in Kansai Section.

#### **C-7 Workshop cooperated with other institutes**

SASIMI2001:

The 10th Workshop on Synthesis and System Integration of Mixed Technologies

Date: 18-19 October 2001,

Place: Nara-Ken New Public Hall, Nara, JAPAN

## ANNEX

Table 1 Finance Report in 2000

1. Receipts	Japanese Yen	
IEEE Entity	4,051,726	
Section Assessment (IEEE Head Quarter)	3,249,668	2/28 (2,259,063)
Section Rebate(IEEE Head Quarter)	802,058	10/3 (991,550)
Interest	394	5/26/1999
Surplus (Brought forward)	740,732	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,792,852</b>	

2. Expenses	Japanese Yen	
IEEE Entity	3,248,723	
Japan Council	3,248,723	
	888,818	
Annual Meeting	34,599	
Technical Lecture	150,000	
Executive Meeting	480,891	
Committee Meeting	223,328	
Management and General	21,632	
Surplus	633,679	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,792,852</b>	