

# 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 was 1701, (See Item B-1). This number increased by 86 compared to December 31, 2000.

In 2001 the Section had five executive meetings, one annual section meeting and eight technical lectures. In 2002 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)

Vice-chair: Kenichiro Ishii (NTT)

Secretary/Treasurer: Yoshifumi Ooyama (NTT)

##### Standing Committee Chairs:

###### Membership Development Committee:

Masaki Koyama (Nara Institute of Science and Technology)

###### Student Activities Committee:

Yukihiro Nakamura (Kyoto University)

###### Nominations Committee:

Isao Shirakawa (Osaka University)

###### Awards Committee:

Hiromasa Haneda (Kobe University)

###### Technical Program Committee:

Ryohei Nakatsu (ATR)



- Activities of each Committee
- Financial Report

## A-5 Finance

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

## Part B. Organization Activities in 2001

### B-1 Membership Development Committee

The Chair of the 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 2001 is as follows:

Grade	Grade Code	number
Honorary Member	HM	0
Life Fellow	LF	16
Fellow	F	44
Life Senior Member	LS	10
Senior Member	SM	98
Life Member	LM	26
Member	M	1095
Pending Member	PM	16
Life Associate	LA	1
Associate	A	199
Student	S	196
<b>Total</b>		<b>1701</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 membership.
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 2001 we had two of new Student Branches: Ritsumeikan University and Kyoto University. We now have three Student Branches.

### B-3 Nominations Committee

Nominations Committee asked Fellow members in Kansai Section to recommend fellow up-grade candidates. Five members have been endorsed from Kansai Section. We ended up with four new Fellow members in Kansai Section.

## B-4 Awards Committee

Awards Committee established the Kansai GOLD Award in 2000. This award is for student or younger members who has contributed to IEEE Kansai Section's activities. The 2001 Kansai GOLD Award was awarded to Mr. Keishi Chikamura (Kyoto University).

## B-5 Professional Activities

### Lectures:

1. Lecturer: Prof. Dominic W. Massaro (Perceptual Science Laboratory, University of California, Santa Cruz)  
Title: Developing and Evaluating Conversational Agents  
Date: February 9,  
Place: ATR
2. Lecturer: Dr. Byron Reeves (Professor, Department of Communication Director, Center for the Study of Language & Information at Stanford University)  
Title: Natural Communication with Machines  
Date: March 8, 2001  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
3. Lecturer: Dr. Walter Stechele (Director of Research at the Institute for Integrated Circuits at the Technical University of Munich)  
Title: Algorithmic Complexity, Motion Estimation and a VLSI Architecture for MPEG-4 Core Profile Video Codecs  
Date: April 16, 2001  
Place: Osaka University
4. Lecturer: Prof. Barry Wellman (University of Toronto)  
Title: Designing the Internet for a Networked Society  
Date: October 17, 2001  
Place: NTT Communication Science Laboratories
5. Lecturer: Prof. Leon O. Chua (University of California, Berkeley)  
Title: Molecular and Nanocircuits  
Date: October 17, 2001  
Place: Osaka University
6. Lecturer: Prof. Bruce R. Schatz (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (USA), CANIS Laboratory (Community Architectures for Network Information Systems), Graduate School of Library and Information Science. Guest Professor, Graduate School of Informatics, Kyoto University.)  
Title: Functions of the Interspace  
Date: November 14, 2001  
Place: Kyoto University
7. Lecturer: Prof. Bruce R. Schatz  
Title: Technologies of the Interspace  
Date: November 21, 2001  
Place: Kyoto University
8. Lecturer: Prof. Bruce R. Schatz

Title: Applications of the Interspace

Date: November 28, 2001

Place: Kyoto University

**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

## B-6 Chapter Activities

We have two chapters. Both chapters were very active. EDS Kansai Chapter had nine meetings including six technical meetings and SSCS Kansai Chapter had three meetings including two technical meetings.

## Part C.

### Goals and Action Plans in 2002

#### 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 2 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 some Technical Lectures.

#### C-6 Awards Committee

AC undertakes the selection process for the IEEE Kansai Section GOLD Award. AC will also start studying the feasibility of another new awards within Kansai Section.

#### C-7 Chapter

Both Chapters will have some events including some technical lectures and workshops.

## C-8 Workshop cooperated with other institutes

ICAD2002:

International Conference on Auditory Display

Date: July 2nd, 2002 - July 5th, 2002,

Place: ATR, Kyoto, JAPAN

<http://www.mic.atr.co.jp/icad2002>

ISSS2002:

15th International Symposium on System Synthesis

Date: Oct. 2nd, 2002 - Oct. 4th, 2002

Place: Kyoto Royal Hotel, Kyoto, Japan

<http://www.iss-symposium.com>

## ANNEX

Table 1 Finance Report in 2001

1. Receipts (Japanese Yen)

◆IEEE Entity	4,724,483	
• Section Assessment (IEEE Head Quarter)	3,752,546	• 3/27 (3,503,404)
• Section Rebate (IEEE Head Quarter)	971,887	• 10/10 (24,192)
		• 5/24 (962,613)
		• 1/4 (9,274)
◆Interest	516	
◆Surplus (Brought forward)	633,679	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,358,678</b>	

2. Expenses (Japanese Yen)

◆IEEE Entity	3,751,756	
• Japan Council	3,751,756	
◆	529,617	
• Annual Meeting	42,047	
• Technical Lecture	150,000	
• Executive Meeting	178,635	
• Committee Meeting	128,085	
• Award	30,850	
◆Management and General	11,479	
◆Surplus	1,065,826	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,358,678</b>	