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Industry feels the recent change of IEEE

- MGA activities
- For the benefit of humanity
- Development of new fields for the future (Cloud, EV, Green, IoT, Life, Smart Grid.....)
- Interdisciplinary activities
- Global presence
- Standardization
- It is respected, but

Industries' comments

- The value of IEEE member is appreciated, however it is engineers' individual decision to be a member.
- More visible merits for "our" company is desirable.
- For the company management, such as marketing, strategic planning, CTO, the hints for future direction is indispensable.

Bridging IEEE and industry

- IEEE Company Branch
 - virtual, however companies recognize its activity positively.
 - Members try to summarize IEEE's newest topics in his/her fields to the company (marketing, strategic planning, CTO).
 - Members also try to advise practioners.
- Journal for industry management
 - Non-academic
 - Recent trends, digested articles
 - Non-member readers, management readers