

WIE Newsletter

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WiE Chair's Message

New Year Greetings to all of you. Congratulations to the WIE AG for winning the outstanding large Chapter award in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the IEEE Bangalore section for the year 2019. WIE Chairs of past years have done an amazing job.

This year we are planning to have number of activities which includes the flagship conference WIE Global Summit, WIE track in CONECCCT (International Conference on Electronics, Computing and Communication Technologies) and a host of other activities. We need to strengthen IEEE Student-Teacher and Research Engineer/Scientist (STAR) Program to mentor young girls in high schools. We also should work towards formation of new WIE Affinity groups.

It is an honour for me to serve as Chair of WIE AG (Women in Engineering Affinity Group) of IEEE Bangalore Section for the year 2020. My best wishes to each one of you and seeking your cooperation and support for making this year an eventful year.

Sadhana Attavar

IEEE WIE

IEEE is the world's largest technical professional organization dedicated to advancing technology for the benefit of humanity.

IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) is a global network of IEEE members and volunteers dedicated to promoting women engineers and scientists, and inspiring girls around the world to follow their academic interests in a career in engineering and science.

WIE Mission & Vision

WIE goal is to facilitate the recruitment and retention of women in technical disciplines globally. We envision a vibrant community of IEEE women and men collectively using their diverse talents to innovate for the benefit of humanity.

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Editor's Piece

Welcome to a new year and a new edition of our WIE newsletter. I am thrilled to be sharing many of our achievements this past year in this issue. Our WIE community has been doing some amazing work and this is evident in the awards and accolades we have received. Way to go and here's to more women power.

This year, we are trying to bring out a more inclusive newsletter. We want to hear from you. Please take this opportunity to share. This is your community and your newsletter.

We are also looking for more volunteers to work on extending Ottige Kaliyona (IEEE STAR) to different parts of Karnataka. Please let us know if you want to participate in this unique opportunity to give back to society and support STEM education.

Let's work with the same momentum this year too and do some extraordinary stuff. I am sure you are all with us in this commitment.

Wish you all a very **Happy and Eventful New Year 2020**... May you prosper both technically and personally 😊

Some important Information

IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) is seeking your contributions to the bi-monthly newsletter. We invite you, our members to submit a short story/article/announcement that fits into the following structure:

- News items, Affinity group reports, Announcements – Short, topical, news oriented
- Conference announcements
- Award Recognitions
- Major Articles – In depth discussions of topics of your interest (Articles will be reviewed before placement)

Submit anything else you would like to share with the IEEE WIE Community. Reviewed and selected articles will also be forwarded to global WiE Exchange for publishing.

We will soon be posting more details about WiE activities and accomplishments.

For any queries and assistance write to wieblr@ieee.org

Activities conducted in January

- IEEE Bangalore Section AGM was conducted on 5th January 2020 at Ramaiah Institute of Technology.
- IEEE WIE Affinity Group won the Outstanding Large Chapter
- The following WIE members were awarded for their contribution to IEEE:
 - Dr. Ashwini Appaji: Outstanding YP Volunteer
 - Prof. D N Sujatha: Outstanding WIE Volunteer
 - Dr. Jayasudha B S K, KSIT, Bangalore: Outstanding Small Branch Councilor
 - Dr. Manjula Raja, BITM Ballari: Outstanding Medium Student Branch Counselor
 - Outstanding Student Volunteers: Sneha, CUK Gulbarga, Rosa A George, NITK Suratkal, Mahith Shetty, UVCE Bangalore.
- WiE 2020 Execom committee was formed.
- WiE Execom meeting was conducted on 5th January 2020 at Ramaiah Institute of Technology, Bangalore. The meeting was attended by all the office bearers and members of the Execom. The meeting was presided by Divya M G. WIE past Chair Divya M G introduced all the executive committee members. WIE Chair Sadhana Attavar provided an overview of WiE 2020 operational procedure and activities.
- IEEE WIE Achievers Awards were given to exemplary women during this event. The awardees were: Dr. Annapurna P Patil, Dr. Bindu A Thomas, Dr. P Deepa Shenoy, Dr. S Raghavan and Dr. Seema Chopra.
- IEEE-IISc Student Branch WIE Affinity Group was inaugurated by Nemichandra on 17th January 2020. The event had some keynote talks and a panel discussion on the Role of Women in Science, Technology and Innovation
- First WIE Execom Webex Meet held on 30th January 2020. The meeting was presided by Sadhana Attavar (Chair) who rolled out the roles and responsibility of all the office bearers. Important procedural and administrative decisions were taken.
- The WiE website has been updated and the link is <http://wie.ieeebangalore.org/>
- The WIE networking event Parichaya will be held on 9th February 2020 at BNMIT, Bangalore. Please do attend.

Regards,
WIE Team