

In response to one of the top ten most important Sections Congress recommendations in Quebec, Member and Geographic Activities (MGA) in partnership with IEEE-USA has formed an Ad Hoc committee on Globalization of Professional Activities (IEEE GPA). The IEEE GPA committee is represented by volunteers from all Regions and IEEE Staff. It is chartered to look into providing similar member benefits enjoyed in Regions 1-6 to members across all Regions.

IEEE GPA has identified two existing products that can be extended as an immediate member benefit to Regions 7-10. A webpage on the IEEE-USA website has been recently launched to offer for free 4 e-book titles and access to archived webinars on a variety of topics to all IEEE Members.

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In our continuing efforts to better understand the professional needs of members outside the US, IEEE GPA welcomes your comments, ideas and suggestions on how we can help you with your professional development. Please send them to us at: s.grayson@ieee.org

By the end of the year, the IEEE GPA Committee will present to the IEEE Board of Directors its report and actions to be implemented to meet this challenge of providing similar benefits of local relevance worldwide.