

SECTION REPORT

HIROSHIMA SECTION, JAPAN

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PART A - SECTION SUMMARY

A.1 Executive Summary

HISS (Hiroshima Student Symposium) is one of the most distinguished activities in IEEE Japan since students are responsible for all activities in organizing the symposium including its planning and management. In addition, all technical (poster) presentations are given by students, though the symposium is open to anyone who is interested in the program. We tried to further develop this activity in 2002.

The fourth HISS was held in Yamaguchi, Japan in December 5-6, 2002. We had a keynote, a panel, and 104 technical presentations. In addition, a new program – laboratory exhibition – was organized. Research activities in 14 laboratories were presented in a friendly manner especially for non-professional people, such as high school students. Almost 180 people participated in the symposium.

Furthermore, we had two panel discussions on the topic of engineering education by having some foreign and industrial guests. This is one of the hot topics in Japan and many professors/students came to deepen the understanding.

A.2 Financial Report

Currency: Japanese Yen

Income

Balance carried forward	1,300,396
Donation	1,268,109
Income of 3 rd HISS	389,500
Section assessment	827,633
Interest	84
Section rebate	418,897
Others	39,000

Total 4,243,619

Expenses

Expenses for 3 rd HISS	1,361,533
Support to Japan Council	827,633
Conference expenses	300,000
Meeting expenses	66,621
Others	122,360

Total 2,678,147

End-of-year balance 1,565,472

PART B - ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES

B.1 Membership Development Programs

As noted, we hold the HISS symposium. We believe this is promising for membership development.

B.2 Professional and Continuing Education Activities

January 30, 2002

Annual general assembly in Hiroshima

Attendance number: 27

January 30, 2002

Panel discussion in Hiroshima

Audience number: 29

March 7, 2002

Executive committee meeting in Hiroshima

Attendance number: 8

May 9, 2002

Executive committee meeting in Tottori

Attendance number: 5

May 9, 2002

Technical Seminar in Tottori

Attendance number: 17

July 26, 2002

Executive committee meeting in Hiroshima

Attendance number: 6

October 9, 2002

International panel discussion in Ube

Attendance number: 100

December 5, 2002

Executive committee meeting in Yamaguchi

Attendance number: 6

December 5-6, 2002 in Yamaguchi

4th HISS (see A.1)

Attendance number: 180

B.6 Awards

We awarded the HISS organizing committee members HISS Contribution Award and HISS Service Award.

PART C - GOALS AND PLANS

C.1 Goals

- (1) Motivating students to become independent and self-regulating
- (2) Exchanging ideas to improve a system of research and education in Japan
- (3) Establishing a democratic system of section management
- (4) Advertising activities of the section

C.2 Detailed Implementation Plans

- (1) Development of HISS (Hiroshima Student Symposium)
 - 5th HISS is scheduled in Hiroshima
 - Encourage more students/non-technical people to attend the symposium
 - Consider a possible scheme of cooperation with industries
- (2) Development of discussion on EE and IT education
 - Encourage more professionals to join
 - Have an international meeting jointly with societies/parties
- (3) Call for members
 - Prepare a website of the section

C.3 Budget

Income

Balance carried forward	1,565,472
Donation	500,000
Section assessment	830,000
Section rebate	420,000
Others	21,100

Total	3,336,572
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Expenses

HISS	1,000,000
Support to Japan Council	830,000
Annual meeting	100,000
Technical meetings	250,000
Website development	200,000
Others	120,000
Balance left	836,572

Total	3,336,572
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PART D - OTHERS

D.1 Relationship with National Societies

In Japan, we have very well-organized national technical societies for electrical, electronic and information engineering, e.g. Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers (IEICE).

They also have local branches as well as the national entity dividing the whole country into 8 areas just like IEEE Sections. We are going to collaborate with those organizations to strengthen our activities.