



UNION OF ELECTRONICS, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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The Union of Electronics, Electrical Engineering and Telecommunications /CEEC/ is a Bulgarian scientific-technical, non-governmental, non-political, and non-profit creative and professional association – it is an integral part of the civil society in the Republic of Bulgaria and the European Union. CEEC has always been an active member of the Federation of Scientific and Technical Unions in Bulgaria /FNTS/. CEEC is a full participating member of the Convention of National Societies of Electrical Engineers in Europe /EUREL/.

In the form of a professional association CEEC has existed under various names ever since 1936. In the beginning, as the division of Electrical Engineering in the National Organization of the Bulgarian Engineers and Architects /BIAD/, one of the oldest Bulgarian professional organizations. Later on as an independent national professional association of electrical engineers, scientist, experts and telecommunication specialists within the FNTS. The present name, “Union of Electronics, Electrical Engineering and Telecommunications /CEEC/”, has been registered in 1982.

The main goals and objectives of CEEC are:

- To unite the efforts of its members, facilitate the creation of better environment for their creative and professional development, as well as to provide more efficient participation in the process of formation of the Bulgarian civil society, acting as a consulting body and government corrective in the areas of the engineering sciences and economics
- To promote the interests of its members when negotiating with the governmental and local civic institutions
- To enhance and expand its international contacts and develop mutually helpful collaborations with similar associations in Bulgaria and abroad
- To help in the improvement of the scientific and professional qualifications of its members by organizing conferences, workshops, discussions, as well as by collecting and dissemination of scientific and technical information, and establishment of in-house publishing activity
- To raise the prestige of the electrical engineering, electronics and telecommunication technologies in the civil society, to raise awareness of these professions with regards to state and local institutions, and help in forming positive public opinion towards continuous lifelong learning

CEEC has structures in all major cities in Bulgaria. Members of CEEC are more than 750 certified engineers, scientists teaching at the Technical Universities and the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, specialists and managers working in factories and firms, students and post-graduate students, all organized in clubs and national scientific-technical divisions, dedicated to the fields in the industry of electrical engineering, telecommunications, electromagnetic compatibility, electronics, acoustics, etc. The corporate members include more than 20 companies, institutions and organizations.

CEEC is the principle organizer of several national and international scientific-technical events, such as the well-attended biannual conferences: the International Symposium on Electrical Apparatus and Technologies "SIELA", the International Conference on Electrical Machines, Drives and Power systems "ELMA", the International Conference on e-Beam Technologies "EBT", the annual conferences "ELECTRONICS" and International conference "TELECOM", the National conference with international participation "ACOUSTICS", and the very popular with the young engineers Student Career Forum.

Using its Business and professional experts clubs CEEC organizes company presentations and discussions on economics, scientific and technical topics of interest to the engineering community.

For over half a century CEEC has been the publisher of the peer-reviewed monthly scientific journal "ELECTROTECHNICA+ELECTRONICA" – "E+E". The journal website is <http://epluse.fnts.bg>

CEEC maintains regular contacts with corresponding organizations abroad. For over a decade CEEC has had a signed agreement with VDE – the Union of German Engineers in the field of the Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Informatics. There are strong links and productive cooperation with the Association of Polish Electrical Engineers /SEP/, with close contracts lasting over two decades. There is an ongoing constructive exchange of information and best practises with parallel organizations from Romania, Macedonia, etc.

CEEC has a long-term agreement for cooperation with IEEE, and all international conferences organized by CEEC are supported and sponsored in part by IEEE.

CEEC puts extensive efforts in collaborating with the Bulgarian Association of Electrical Engineering and Electronics.

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