



"Highlights of the Year" Section Chair Report

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of Engineering the Future

Celebrating 125 Years —

Section Strategic Activities



dedicated to the IEEE 125th Anniversary

Celebrating 125 Years of Engineering the Future

- IEEE Toronto International Conference: Science and Technology for Humanity[™] IEEE TIC-STH 2009
- External Cardiac Pacemaker Milestone
- Senior Membership Campaign
- Organizational Improvements Adding Value to Local Services to Members



IEEE Toronto International Conference: Science and Technology for Humanity IEEE TIC-STH 2009 www.tic-sth2009.org

- Organized for the first time by IEEE Toronto Section
- Full-Paper Peer Review
- The conference attracted 360 papers out of which 186 papers were accepted (~50% acceptance rate)
- Proceedings in the IEEE Xplore
- Covered advanced interdisciplinary areas across a broad spectrum of the IEEE fields of interest



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- Humanitarian aspect of the conference
- The first IEEE "Truly Integrated Conference" used web conferencing to provide for seamless integration of the On-Site and On-Line participation
- Solid financial results preliminary surplus is around \$35K



Geography of Authors by Region

Authors from 29 countries



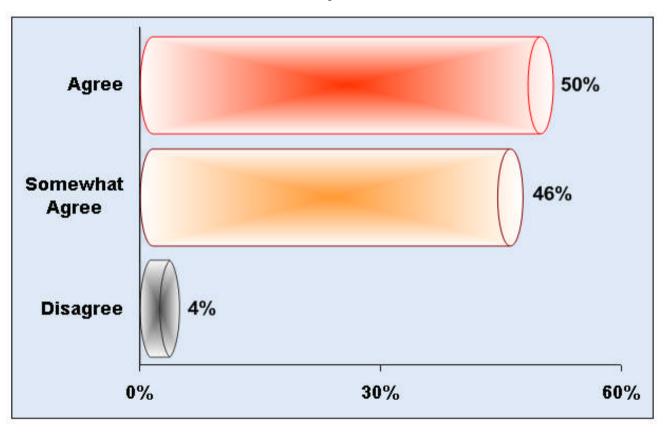
Public Visibility Impact –

Conference Website Visits

Over 15,000 visits came from 152 countries (2,057 cities) in the "New Visitors" segment



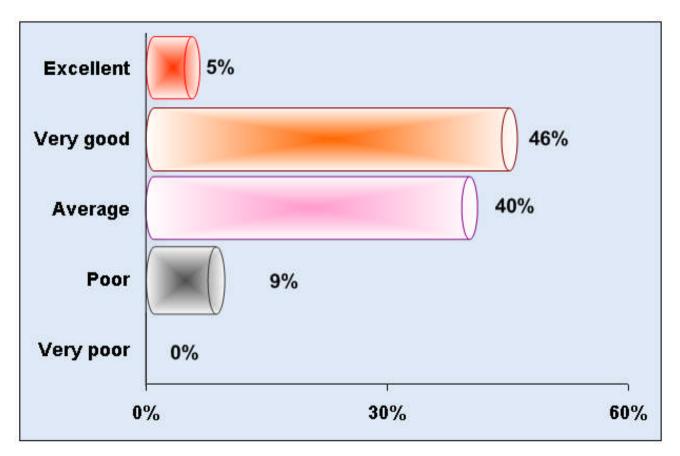
Did the conference fulfill your reason for attending?



164 authors were invited to participate in the survey. 80 responded (~50% response rate)

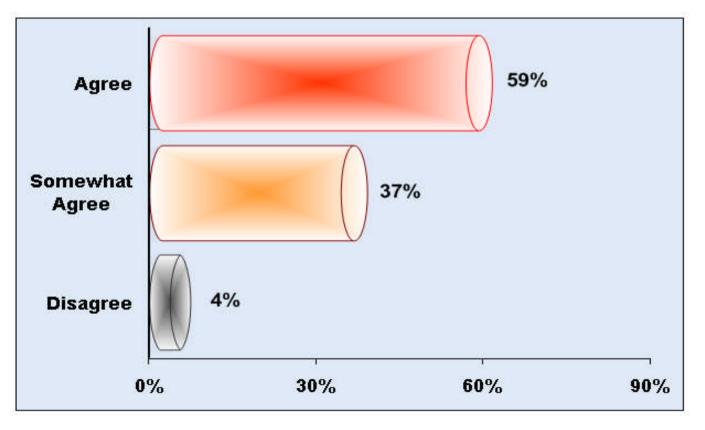


How would you rate this conference compared to other conferences of this type that you have attended?



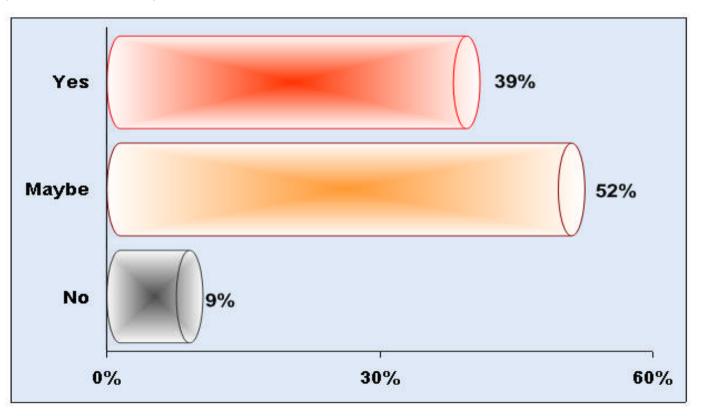








Would you attend this conference again next year (or in 2011)?





Overall the First Toronto Section Conference

IEEE TIC-STH 2009 turned out to be a huge success story from all perspectives:

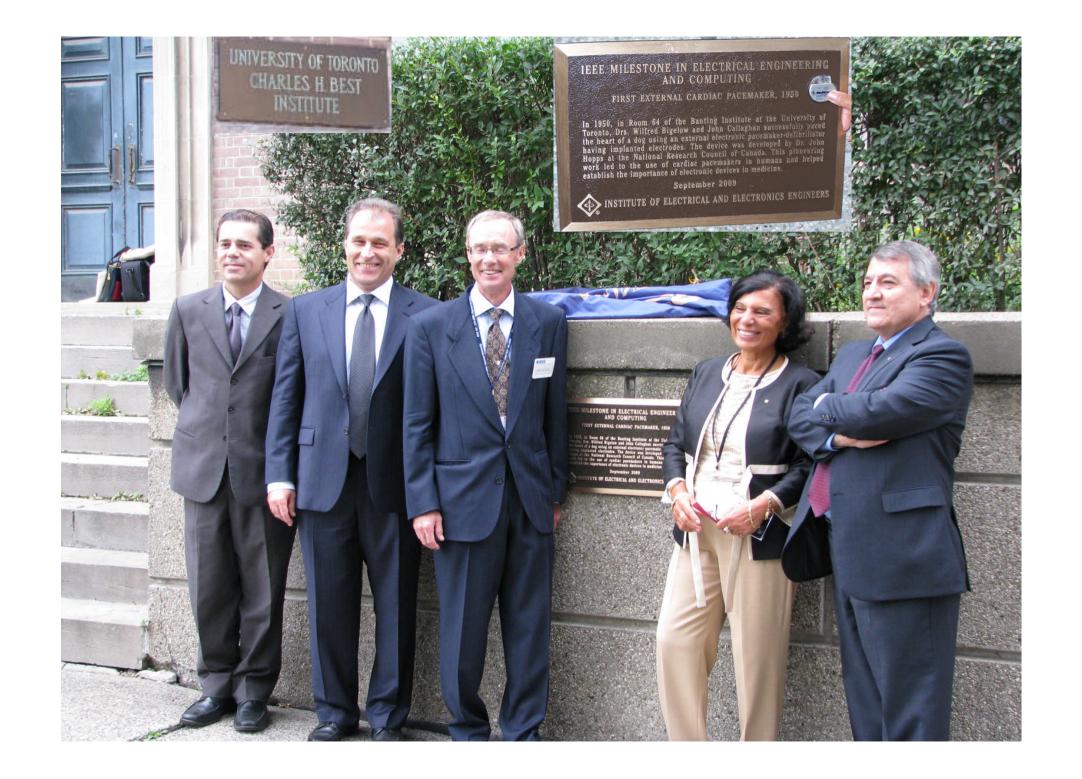
- Technical
- Organizational
- Financial
- Customer Satisfaction



IEEE Milestone - External Cardiac Pacemaker

- New approach to celebrations not limited to a Plaque dedication
- A year-long process packed with activities
- Starting point AGM 2008 invited speaker from a cardiac pacemaker industry leader
- Plaque Dedication ceremony September 26, 2009
- Special Session at IEEE TIC-STH 2009: History and Advances in Cardiac Pacemaker Technology
- Final point presentation at the AGM 2009





Senior Membership Campaign

- Building on the success of the 2008 campaign
 - 46 Toronto Section members were elevated at the May's and June's 2008 A&A sessions
 - Over 50 members were elevated to SM level in 2008
- Two-step process
 - Indentifying potential SM candidates in technical chapters.
 - "On-the-Spot" SM elevation event (two evenings).
- 2009 campaign brought in over **100** applications



Section Organizational Improvements

- Adding Value to Local Services to Members
- Moving towards the goal complete coverage of the IEEE technical areas
- New chapter has been formed:
 - IEEE Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society.
- Communications Chapter includes: IEEE Broadcast Technology Society.
- Instrumentation and Measurement Chapter includes: IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society IEEE Robotics and Automation Society.
- Industry Applications Chapter includes:
 IEEE Power Electronics Society
 IEEE Consumer Electronics Society.
- Petition to form IEEE Magnetics Society Chapter has been submitted



