Region 2 Report

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Region 2 Annual Meeting
Hershey, PA, May 3-5 2019
Chapter Coordination - Background

- Region 2 had an Outstanding Meeting Program (ROMP) from 2013
  - Included a speaker list
  - Region would pay travel expenses for the speakers
  - https://r2.ieee.org/romp/

- In IEEE you find Distinguished lecturer Programs for many Societies:

- ROMP was at a regional level and Distinguished Lecturer (DL) is at the IEEE Society level

- QUESTION: HOW can we change/mold ROMP to work for the Societies?
Chapter Collaboration – Why?

- WHY do this?
  - Provides more efficient reach to relevant speakers for R2 Areas and Sections
  - Gives the ability to more easily design cross-disciplinary events to bolster collaboration and engagement
  - It creates awareness, better branding
  - Builds a stronger IEEE community fabric
  - Engages cross-section/area/region and enhances communication
  - Better harnessing technology through innovation
  - Because Wolfram said...... 😊
Chapter Coordination – Tackle it

Ideas on how to tackle this initiative:

1. Find best practices
2. Survey existing ROMP / DL programs within IEEE (possibly outside of IEEE)
3. Make recommendations to leadership
   ▪ At what level of the organization should this initiative live at?
   ▪ What is out there that Region 2 can use as leverage?
   ▪ Are there processes that need to be put into place?
   ▪ Are there technologies that might be applicable to the effort?
   ▪ How could you measure if this is successful or not?
   ▪ How do you sustain the initiative over the years?
Chapter Collaboration – Next Steps

▸ Looking for input from YOU the team members of Region 2
▸ Ideas? Suggestions?
▸ Contacts in Regions that you know of which have initiatives like this that work (or don’t work)?

▸ Please email all inputs to bfrantom@ieee.org
▸ Would Like ANY suggestions/inputs you have by 6/3/19.

▸ Hope you have a great meeting!