

# Joint IEEE Communications & Computer Chapter, Ghana

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# Statistics of the IEEE/Joint Chapter

Feature	Value
Birth of IEEE Ghana	5 <sup>th</sup> September 2008
Registered in Ghana	13 <sup>th</sup> / 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2011
❖ 5 Student Branches	As at 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2012
❖ <b>One joint Chapter:</b> - Communications - Computer	Approved by Societies on 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2012
Joint Chapter Launch	28 <sup>th</sup> September 2012 (With sponsorship from Ericsson Ghana)

# Engagement of Members

## ■ Academia

- We have established SBs at 5 universities
- Appointed SB counselors
- Most activities of SBs are in COMSOC areas
- **Future development:** establish COMSOC student chapters within SBs

## ■ Industry

- Got Ericsson to sponsor launch of Joint COMSOC/Computer Society Chapter
- Lobbying with major ICT companies to appoint employees to serve on EXCOM

# Achievements ???

- **Nurtured a local conference to an international conference, called IEEE Int'l Conference on Adaptive Science & Technology (ICAST) [www.icast-conference.org](http://www.icast-conference.org) with scheduled meetings:**
  - **2012: Held in Ghana**
  - **2013: Pretoria, South Africa**
  - **2014: Covenant University near Lagos, Nigeria**
- **Professional Mentoring: 4 PhD candidates**
- **Industry engagement: 2x marketing seminars at Ericsson Ghana**

# Future Activities

- **Co-sponsor of yearly ICAST international conference**
- **Distinguished Lecturer program:**
  - **Suggestion:** Organize 3 separate meetings in 3 cities (Accra, Kumasi, Cape Coast) as our neighboring Chapters are “far” neighbors (South Africa & Nigeria)
- **WCET (Wir. Comms. Engg Certification)**
  - This could be motivational, but unless sponsored by employers participants may need some discounts.

# Future organizational activity?

- **Create Joint Chapter Excom:**
  - **Chair**
  - **Vice Chair**
  - **Technical Activities Coordinator**
  - **Treasurer/Secretary**
  - **Industry & Professional Bodies Liaison**
  - **Newsletter Editor**
  
- **Launch the monthly research seminar series being planned in the two cities:**
  - **Kumasi**
  - **Accra**

# Planned Research Seminar Speakers

<b>24 July 2013</b>	<b>Grace Gyamfuah Yamoah</b>	
	Amevi Acahpovi	
	Hillary Siewobr	
	Emmanuel Abekah	
	Edem Kwedzo Bankas	
<b>August 2013</b>	William Asiedu	
<b>September 2013</b>	Mr Godwin Ntow Danso	Survey of Data Management Architectures in Mobile Computing
<b>October 2013</b>		
<b>November 2013</b>	Kester Quist-Aphetsi	Visualization and Analysis of Crime Patterns Using Formal Concept Analysis
<b>December 2013</b>	Michael Delove	Student and Information System Usage

# What to Do ...

- **Create Facebook for Joint IEEE C016/C019 Chapter**
- **Create webpage for Joint IEEE C016/C019 Chapter**
- **Use download comsoc Ghana logo from [www.comsoc.org](http://www.comsoc.org)**



# The Challenges???

- **We need to create Comsoc brand in Ghana, something which requires advertising in local media.**
  
- **How to get IEEE and COMSOC people resident outside Ghana to support our growth through e.g.**
  - **DLP**
  - **WCET**
  - **Visit from COMSOC global leaders**

# Please support

## ICAST conference

- **25-27 Nov 2013, Pretoria**
- [www.icast-conference.org](http://www.icast-conference.org)
- **15 July**
- **2013: PAPER SUBMISSION**
- <D:/AgaDocuments/Conferences/ICAST2013/Website/Index.html>

▣ **THANK YOU**