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Note from the Chair

This month, I was asked by the IEEE R10 HTA to present a webinar titled "Interdisciplinary Teamwork for Sustainable Development and Humanitarian Technology." It was a great opportunity for me to speak to volunteers about my own experiences with teamwork and how essential it is in the humanitarian space. There is a recording down below if you would like to view it.

Thank you everyone for the work that you do. Let us continue to do more and more each day!

Daniel Lottis
Chair, IEEE SIGHT Steering Committee

Featured Stories

IEEE SIGHT Chair Daniel Lottis Presents Webinar



The second webinar in the Region 10 Humanitarian Technology Activities (R10 HTA) Talk series for 2018 was organized on July 15, virtually using the Cisco WebEx platform.

The forum was shared between Dr. Daniel Lottis, SIGHT General Chair for 2018, and Prof. Parkash Lohana, R10 HTA Coordinator for this year to speak on much-needed topic 'Interdisciplinary Teamwork for Sustainable Development and Humanitarian Technology'.

It reflected thoughts on community engagement, interdisciplinary teamwork among various stakeholders of the community and much emphasis was put on contrasting terms "Humanitarian Technology" and "Sustainable Development." Daniel also leveraged the opportunity to share some challenges faced by SIGHT groups and some good practices that are impacting local societies globally.

To view a recording of this webinar, [click here.](#)

IEEE SIGHT Germany Section Organizes Workshop on Humanitarian Technology for Disaster Management

On July 19, the newly formed first SIGHT group in Germany organized a workshop to help volunteers learn more about Humanitarian Technology for disaster management. The presentations discussed assessment, research, and current projects being carried out by German Engineers With Out Borders.

[Learn more about IEEE SIGHT Germany Section here](#)



Video: Effective Low-Cost Prototyping (A Recorded SIGHT Webinar)

A Silicon Valley saying is "Never go to a meeting without a prototype." While an idea expressed orally can be descriptive and convincing, almost any idea's value can be magnified greatly if coupled with an effective prototype. Effective prototypes help investors, business partners, suppliers, and employees all understand and, ideally, buy into an idea. Prototypes can take many forms, from simple sketches to full pre-production working models of complex products. Prototypes can vary in cost, from paper storyboards and wire frames for computer programs and physical models made from popsicle sticks and playdough, to finely machined, hand-crafted precision products. The webinar focuses on low cost prototypes that can convey the entrepreneurial idea to stakeholders.

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