Note from the Chair

A sign of the changes underway at IEEE SIGHT, we’ve launched our new Web site and redesigned this newsletter. Please read on for news of your fellow SIGHTs around the world. And, as always, thank you for everything that you do!

Kartik Kulkarni
Chair, IEEE SIGHT Steering Committee

Featured Stories

IEEE SIGHT’s Web Site Is Live

IEEE SIGHT is pleased to announce at long last that our Web site is live. You will find case studies, an interactive map of SIGHTs worldwide, testimonials, a blog, calendar and more.

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Wide News Coverage for ISTAS 2016

See articles in English and Malayalam covering the International Symposium on Technology and Society (ISTAS-2106), held in Thiruvananthapuram.

1. The Hindu
2. Deccan Chronicle
3. The New Indian Express
4. Mathrubhumi
5. Deshabhimani
6. Metrovaartha
7. Thejas
ADSF IEEE SIGHT Addresses Coconut Tree Climbing Tools

IEEE SIGHT members and university students are seeking ways to improve devices that aid in coconut tree climbing. Tools of the trade came under scrutiny at the Technology for All summer camp held by the Artisanal Deep Sea Fishers IEEE SIGHT in June.

Read the full report

IEEE SIGHT Improves Powerline Safety Awareness in India

Satish Chaparala and members of the Overhead Powerline Safety Awareness Project SIGHT in Hyderabad, India, began a series of meetings with farmers to educate them about how to avoid fatal accidents in their villages. The first was held in Jangaon, 80km from Hyderabad.

The series is a joint operation by IEEE PES/IAS/PELS Hyderabad Chapter and the Water and Livelihood Foundation.

Custom Wheelchair and Project Prototypes: Event Report by the Student Branch of GEC Thrissur

IEEE Student Branch of the Government Engineering College Thrissur held an event this
month in which they handed off a custom wheelchair to a muscular dystrophy patient and brainstormed solutions to humanitarian problems. The organization, which includes a SIGHT and Robotics Automation Society, then prototyped their technological solutions using paper cards. See the full report here.

**SIGHT at the Global Humanitarian Technology Conference**

IEEE SIGHT lent financial support to 14 authors from four continents to attend the IEEE Global Humanitarian Technology Conference in Seattle, Washington (USA). Clockwise from the top left: a group brainstorming session on SIGHT solutions to the lack of Internet inclusion, SIGHT’s Steering Committee Chair Kartik Kulkarni presents SIGHT’s work and values in a workshop at GHTC, and a group photo includes the authors that SIGHT supported along with members of the Steering Committee. Photos by Glenn McKnight / IEEE

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The Committee will be made up of five Subcommittee Chairs:

- Projects & Assessment
- Engagement
- Operations
- Communities of Practice
- Communications

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- **Position Descriptions**
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**Become a SIGHT Member**
Membership is free and open to all individuals who want to engage in sustainable development. Your membership benefits include the monthly SIGHT newsletter, as well as SIGHT announcements.

**Find a SIGHT**
Professional and University SIGHT groups around the globe are partnering with communities and local organizations to leverage for sustainable development.

**Become a Community Partner**
We are in search of committed community partners with a distinct technology challenge who want to access engineering and technical resources. Requests from prospective community partners are reviewed monthly and paired with local SIGHT groups if appropriate.

**Start a SIGHT**
If a SIGHT group does not exist in your area, click below to access the SIGHT Toolkit, a custom resource for those who wish to create a new SIGHT for their community or understand what is involved in creating a new SIGHT.

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