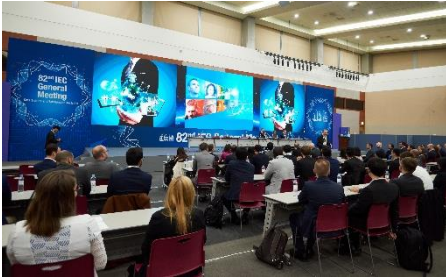


IEC Young Professionals Workshop at Busan, South Korea

Mr Vivek Arora, Sr Executive Officer, IEEMA represented India at IEC Young Professional Program held at Busan, South Korea from 21st October 2018 to 26th October 2018. This year, around 100+ Young Professionals (YP) attended the YP Workshop held alongside the IEC General Meeting 2018. The workshop serves as an opportunity to understand more about the IEC work in standardization and conformity assessment as well as to network with the 3000+ global IEC experts attending the General Meeting. As part

of the Workshop, Mr. Arora was introduced to IEC operations and electro technical standardization processes. He got the opportunity to attend the Standardization Management Board (SMB) meeting, observed a technical meeting and participate in several breakout/activity sessions.

Interactive Session on “Smart Grids for Smart Cities”

IEEMA Jointly with National Smart Grid Mission organized a one day interactive session with theme “Smart Grids for Smart cities” on 30th October 2018 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The session was attended by more than 110 participants from Utilities, Regulators, Industry officials related to Smart Grid pilot projects and Smart Cities. Dr. A.K Verma, Jt Secretary, Distribution, Ministry of Power, Government of India delivered the keynote address. There was a dedicated session on communication technologies where players of different communication technologies eg R.F,



cellular etc delivered the presentation on technology selection and advantages of respective technologies. The session was followed by an expert panel discussion with theme “Smart Grid for Indian Smart Cities” where the distinguished panelists were, Mr. Vishal Kapoor, Director, Distribution, Ministry of Power, Government of India, Mr. Pankaj Batra, former Chairperson, CEA, Mr. A.K Mishra, Director, NSGM and Mr. Sunil Singhvi, Chairman IEEMA Smart Grid Division. Mr. Vikram Gandotra moderated the session.

**Meeting with Mr. Anup Wadhawan, Commerce Secretary, Govt. of India**

On 29th October 2018, Mr. Sudeep Sarkar, Director, IEEMA, attended a meeting chaired by Mr. Anup Wadhawan, Commerce Secretary, Government of India, on *Swachhta Pakhwara*. The initiatives and action plan of Government Ministries and Export Promotion Councils, under Department of Commerce, towards cleanliness drive in offices and nearby communities were discussed in the meeting.

Meeting with Mr. B S Bhalla, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce

On 1st November 2018, Mr. Sudeep Sarkar, Director and Ms. Reema Shrivastava, Deputy Director, IEEMA attended a meeting called by Mr. B S Bhalla, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce regarding issues related to Export-Import Bank of India and their solutions, in order to boost India’s exports. IEEMA had collected inputs from members on this subject, which were represented in the meeting.

Meeting with Mr. Ravinder, Joint Secretary Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion

On 2nd November 2018, Mr. Sudeep Sarkar, Director, IEEMA, attended a meeting called by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion to receive inputs on list of 101 items prepared by Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY) for NIL Basic Customs Duty. IEEMA sought inputs from members in order to identify and inform if any of these are manufactured by the domestic electrical industry. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Ravinder, Joint Secretary, Industrial Policy and Promotion.

Policy Advocacy

IEEMA submitted a representation to the Department of Commerce, Government of India, on issues and suggestions related to EXIM Bank of India for removing the bottlenecks in order to boost India’s exports of electrical equipment. IEEMA had collected inputs from members on this subject.

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