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Result of the additional candidate(s) for officers and executive committee members of IEEE Tokyo Section Office for Year 2023/2024

There was no nomination for the additional candidate(s) which we announced on Tokyo Bulletin No.139 issued on July 29, 2022. We plan to resolve the election of officers and executive committee members which announced on the Tokyo Bulletin No.139 on the next Annual General Assembly. Therefore, they will serve as the post of officers and executive committee members for two years from January 1st, 2023.

IEEE 2022 Past President Susan Kathy Land:
“My Personal Journey With IEEE”

IEEE Tokyo Section Educational Activities (EA) organized the 2nd episode of its recurring Educational Webinar Series on March 12, 2022. Titled “My Personal Journey with IEEE”, we were joined by IEEE 2022 past President Ms. Susan Kathy Land as speaker, who connected with us all the way from the USA. At IEEE Tokyo EA, the organization goal is to focus our attention on a few glaring social issues related to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education and address them. One of that is the gender divide in science and technology. With very low percentage of women in STEM-related disciplines, there are fewer role models for the next generation whom they can look up to, which creates a sense of uncertainty. Through this webinar series, we are inviting achievers from around the world who can speak to our attendees giving them a much-needed spark of confidence. Susan Land talked about how IEEE influenced her personal journey. Ms. Land spoke in a very candid manner, with a touch of humor in everything. In describing her IEEE journey and the difference it made for her professionally, she provided insights, inspiration, and encouragement to attendees. She challenged the attendees to think about their personal goals and provided them with specific examples of how IEEE could help them in reaching their personal goals. She was extremely real in speaking about her moments of feeling nervous when choosing challenging tracks in her life and career that were not considered common for women, which made the talk very relatable to everyone in attendance. Starting in
the 1980s as a software professional without many women around whom she could look up to as role model, she held on to her self-belief and embraced every opportunity that came her way. Emphasizing her unconventional career path, she spoke about the numerous opportunities she got in IEEE to showcase her expertise. The past President also spoke about the support of her family and how she balanced her duties at work and home alike. Going 30 minutes beyond scheduled time, the past President engaged in a freewheeling conversation with the attendees.

Full report is available [here](#) in English. Summary of this event discussed in Tokyo BoD meeting is available in page 9-10 [here](#) in Japanese.

(Reported by IEEE Tokyo Young Professionals (YP) Chair, Prakash Chaki)

IEEE Region 10 Director 2021-22 Deepak Mathur: “IEEE Region 10 and You”

IEEE Tokyo YP international webinar titled “IEEE Region 10 and You” was held on June 4, 2022. This event was organized by IEEE Tokyo YP, and supported by IEEE Tokyo EA. The premise behind this webinar was to let our members in Japan know the IEEE Region 10 and its many activities/opportunities in greater detail. There could not have been any better person than the IEEE R10 Director himself to introduce about IEEE R10. The event successfully achieved its starting objective of making the audience aware about the visions of IEEE R10, and how one can get involved in IEEE R10 activities. Director Mathur was kind enough to join us online for this event from the Pacific daylight timezone. He started with sharing his personal highlights of volunteering and leadership in IEEE. He followed it up with a detailed history of IEEE (1884 to today), geographical regions in IEEE and benefits of IEEE membership. In the next phase, his speech narrowed down on IEEE Region 10. Specifically, he spoke about the growing sections-subsections in R10, flagship events of IEEE R10 and diversity in R10. He also introduced the office-bearers of
R10 highlighting the leadership opportunities, and concluded the talk highlighting the new initiatives undertaken in his able leadership. The talk was followed up with a candid discussion among the participants where Director Mathur answered a plethora of questions related to language diversity and its challenges in non-native environment, face-to-face events in the near future, as well as about a possible partition in IEEE R10 for administrative convenience.

Fig. Director Deepak Mathur talking about the new initiatives in IEEE Region 10

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