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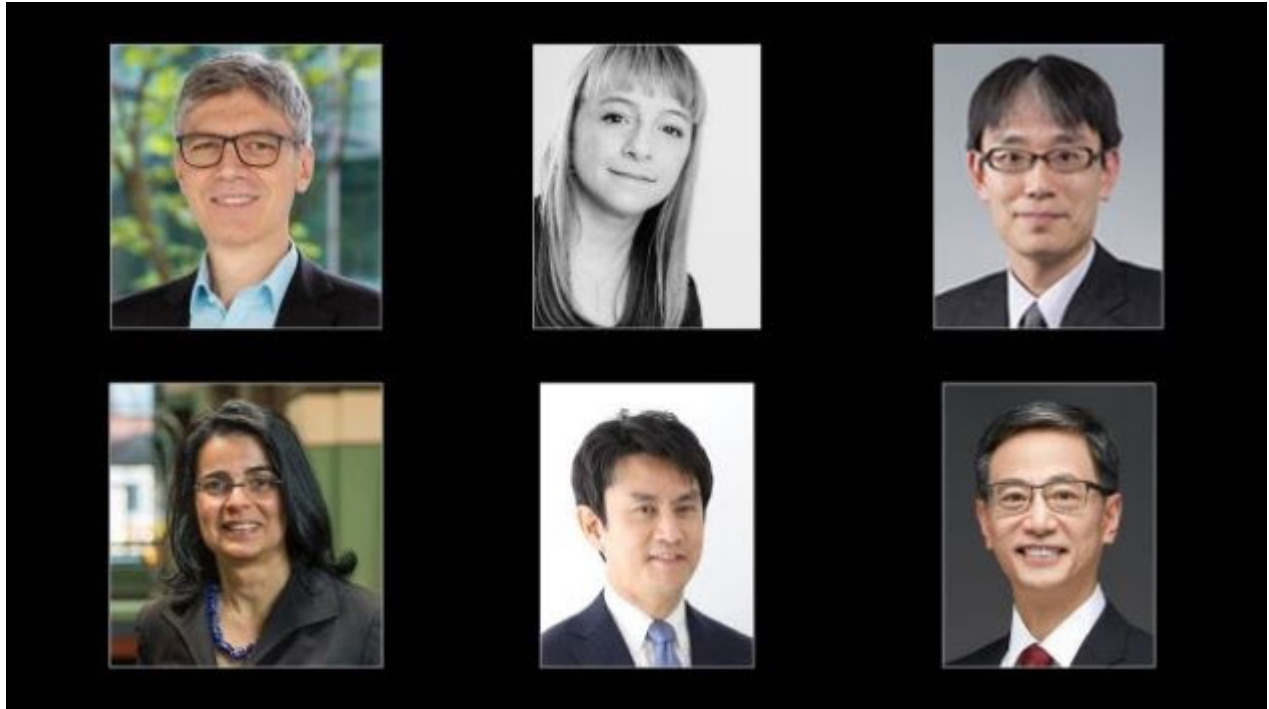
Results Announced for the 2023 RAS AdCom Election

Thanks to all for participating in the 2023 Administrative Committee (AdCom) Election. The votes have now been counted, and the following candidates (pictured from top-left to bottom-right) have been elected to three-year terms from 1 January 2023 to 31 Dec 2025:

- **Alin Albu-Schaeffer** (GEO Area 2 Representative)
- **Sabine Hauert** (At-Large Representative)

- **Yasuhisa Hirata** (At-Large Representative)
- **Lydia E. Kavraki** (GEO Area 1 Representative)
- **Eiichi Yoshida** (GEO Area 3 Representative)
- **Hong Zhang** (GEO Area 3 Representative)

RAS extends our hearty congratulations to the incoming AdCom class and our sincerest thanks to all candidates for their willingness to serve.

RAS Congratulates Our Recently Elevated Senior Members

Congratulations to the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society members recently elevated to **Senior Member** status by the IEEE Admission and Advancement Senior Member Review Panel. The full list of new Senior Members, listed alphabetically by region, can be found **here**.

To be eligible for application or nomination, candidates must

- be engineers, scientists, educators, technical executives, or originators in IEEE-designated fields
- have experience reflecting professional maturity
- have been in professional practice for at least 10 years (with some credit for certain degrees)

In addition, candidates for Senior Member status must supply three references from current IEEE members holding the grade of Fellow, Senior Member, or Honorary Member. For more information, click **here** or email **senior-member@ieee.org**.

Welcome, New RAS Chapters!

RAS congratulations and welcomes its **10** newly organized Chapters from 5 different countries and representing 3 IEEE regions. Check out the full list **here**!

Call for Nominations: 2024 RAS AdCom Election

The **IEEE RAS membership** will elect **6** new members of the Administrative Committee (AdCom) in 2023, each to serve a **3-year term beginning 1 January 2024**. The AdCom is the governing body of the Society.

Click **here** for more information on AdCom Member responsibilities and eligibility as well as details on the processes for nominations, petitions, and the final ballot selection. Please note that nominations and petitions are due **1 May 2023**.

Call for Proposals: 2024 RAS Technical Education Programs

Each year, RAS offers financial support for its **Technical Education Program (TEP)**, also known as its "Seasonal Schools" program. Run jointly by the RAS Educational Activities Committee (EAC) and the RAS Technical Activities Board (TAB), the TEP sponsors schools around the world, to be held in person, virtually, or in a hybrid format.

The submission form can be found **here**. More information can be found on **this handout**; reach out to **ras@ieee.org** with questions.

Key Dates and Deadlines

- Submission deadline: **15 April 2023**
- Notification: **15 June 2023**

Call for Applications: IERA Award 2023

The **IEEE/IFR Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Robotics and Automation (IERA) Award** highlights and honors the achievements of the inventors who value creating ideas and entrepreneurs who propel those ideas into world-class products. In a joint event, the IEEE RAS and the International Federation of Robotics (IFR) will therefore recognize and honor outstanding personal achievements of entrepreneurs in the commercialization of innovative robotic and automation technology.

Check out **this handout** for more details on the award and how to apply. Please note that applications are due **28 February 2023**; they may be submitted to either **ras@ieee.org** or **secretariat@ifr.org**.

IERA AWARD.
Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Robotics and Automation

RAS WiE: Announcing IDEA, a New Form of Travel Support

The **IEEE RAS Women in Engineering Committee (WiE)** wants to support the community and people interested in robotics and automation research by introducing new travel support that encourages **Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA)**.

The main goal of IDEA is to further support our community by providing the opportunity to attend one of RAS's major flagship conferences (e.g., ICRA, CASE, or IROS). Click **here** for more details. Please note that the first call is for applications for travel support to **ICRA 2023** (to be held in London, UK from 29 May - 2 June); the application deadline is **15 February 2023** (EOD).

Announcement: Deadline for RAS Local Chapter Initiative Grants

The RAS Member Activities Board (MAB) awards a limited number of Chapter Initiative Grants to local RAS Chapters for professional development, educational outreach, and other programs. Grant proposals will be reviewed by the MAB at its meeting in late May 2023 and funds up to US $2,000 will be awarded on a competitive basis. The deadline for proposals is **15 April 2023**. Click **here** for submission details.

Announcement: IEEE RO-MAN 2023

The **32nd IEEE International Conference on Robot and Human Interactive Communication (IEEE RO-MAN 2023)** will be held in **Busan, Republic of Korea, from 28 to 31 August 2023**. This conference is an annual event where state-of-the-art results, the latest developments, and future perspectives that relate to robot and human interactive communication are presented and discussed.

The theme of the IEEE RO-MAN 2023 is Design a New Bridge for H-R-I, where "H" stands for Human Health, Happiness and Hope, "R" for Robotic Recovery and Reconnection, and "I" for Intelligent Interface and Interaction. RO-

MAN 2023 will be a **hybrid** conference. We look forward to your active interest and participation, whether in-person or online. For more information, check out the conference **website**.

New Issue Alert: RA-L Volume 8, Issues 2 & 3

We are pleased to announce that Volume 8, Issues **2** and **3** of *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters* (RA-L) are now available on IEEE Xplore. Check them out!

New Issue Alert: T-ASE Volume 20, Issue 1

We are pleased to announce that **Volume 20, Issue 1** of *IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering* (T-ASE) is now available on IEEE Xplore. Click **here** for the table of contents and check out the issue now on Xplore!