

Committee on Promoting Equality Elevated to Permanent Status

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In this “COPE Corner” column, we are pleased to announce that the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society (AP-S) Committee on Promoting Equality (COPE) has been approved by the AP-S Administrative Committee (AdCom) as a standing committee. The committee members appear in Figure 1. They hail from every IEEE region, facilitating the COPE mission to support underserved communities in all areas of the world.

AP-S COPE CHARTER

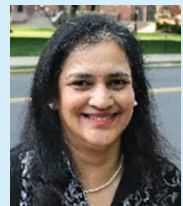
The COPE charter, as prepared by Committee Chair Prof. Weng Chew, was submitted to and accepted by the AdCom. The larger goal of COPE is to promote equality in the world, irrespective of gender, race, culture, and religion. It was established and inspired by the AP-S Distinguished Lecturer Program (DLP) to expand its auspices to promote the dissemination and sharing of knowledge between the developed world and the developing world.

The mission of AP-S COPE is to expand membership and Chapter activities in the developing world. The COPE Committee will collaborate with other committees to achieve its mission and vision. Through membership growth, especially in the developing world, it hopes to facilitate the

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EDITOR'S NOTE

The IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society (AP-S) Committee on Promoting Equality (COPE) is now approved to be a standing committee. With a team of dedicated volunteers and leaders, we look forward to making a positive impact especially in the developing world, as we address the COPE agenda alongside the IEEE tagline, “Advancing Technology for Humanity.”



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sharing of knowledge through Chapter activities.

The objectives of COPE are as follows:

- help increase knowledge dissemination and membership growth by working with the AP-S Chapter Activities Committee
- increase membership from the developing world by working with the AP-S Member and Geographic Activities Committee as well as with the AP-S Membership and Member Benefits Committee

- promote knowledge sharing and dissemination between the developed world and the developing world by working with the DLP
- promote science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and foster knowledge dissemination in the hope of eradicating inequity in gender and race by working with the AP-S Education Committee
- promote advances for humanity by working with AP-S Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technology program
- help technology and knowledge transfer from the developed world to the developing world by working with the AP-S Industrial Initiatives Committee
- work with the AP-S Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee to promote equality
- collaborate with other IEEE Societies.



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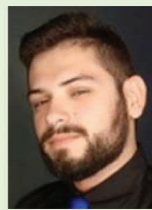
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FIGURE 1. The 2022 AP-S COPE Committee.



FIGURE 2. The AVCOE SBC presents teaching aids and a low-cost water purifier at Siddharth High School. Front row from left: SBC volunteers Abhishek Gade, Rushikesh Khatode, Ghode Ulhas Shankar, Dr. Rekha Labade, Utkarsha Rupavate, Misba Saikh, Rahul Khatode, Kamlesh Tambe, and Vaibhav Thitme.



FIGURE 3. The 2022 IEEE Radar Conference. (a) Dr. Poddar attends the Women in Engineering luncheon. (b) Galuchie and Dr. Poddar meet at the AP-S booth.

AMRUTVAHINI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING STUDENT BRANCH CHAPTER COPE PROJECT

Amrutvahini College of Engineering (AVCOE) AP-S Student Branch Chapter (SBC) volunteers engaged with underserved children in the community, encouraging them toward STEM education. AP-S Chapter officers and volunteers conducted a workshop on 24 March 2022 at Siddharth High School, Sangamner, India, and donated teaching

materials and a low-cost water purifier (Figure 2).

2022 IEEE RADAR CONFERENCE

For the first time, New York City hosted the IEEE Radar Conference, with the 2022 event taking place from 21 to 25 March in Times Square. Dr. Ajay Poddar, AP-S COPE vice chair, and Karen Galuchie, IEEE Foundation executive director, discussed COPE activities and proposals [Figure 3(a) and (b)].

SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST FORM

AP-S Chapter officers, members, and volunteers can submit COPE project proposals by using the form at <https://forms.gle/XwDURDtZSkYojE35A>. If Google Forms are not available in your area, you may use the “AP-S Special Project Request Form” on the AP-S website (<https://ieeeps.org>). Proposals are subject to review, and project funding will not exceed US\$3,000 in any year. The funding request deadline is 30 June 2022. 📄