IEEE Montreal Chapter's attendance at the GCCC 2022

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2022 GCCC was held in beautiful city of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil December 4 and 5. The two days of the Conference were quite full starting from 8 AM and ending at 5 PM followed by very lively networking activities. The conference was chaired by Prof. Ricardo Veiga from Buenos Aires Chapter and managed by Trish Jaraicie, Director of Membership and Marketing, IEEE Communications Society. The meeting was organized skilfully and efficiently.

The conference started by chapters talking about their experience and discussing the usefulness of tools and measures that ComSoc puts at chapters' disposal. Based on the outcome of the feedback from chapters the participants were organized into several breakout sessions. Each session discussed one of the issues raised in the feedback session.

After lunch the results of discussion in the three breakout groups were reported to the whole group and recapped. Higher Grade Recruitment & Student Recruitment.

The issue of Membership Development Cycle

1. Membership Development Cycle - Terminator/Half Year Dues

2. Student elevation cycle

3. Senior member elevation

4. Fellow nominations

Was also emphasized.

There were several training sessions trying to enhance the best practices in High Quality Recruitment, Chapter Training: Pre-University STEM programs, Engaging Young Professionals.

There were also several session covering various important issues concerning the operation of the chapters. Theses included: Mentoring Program Sister Chapters Program and Student Branch matching, Volunteer Recruitment & Succession Planning, Chapter Funding, Internet for All, Distinguished Lecturers program,

Finally, **2023 Events** were announced as follows:

- January/early February - Regional Director outreach to the chapters for welcoming new volunteer leaders

- Mid-February - Chapter Support Committee hosts kick off training session

    o Recap of December event

    o Chapter Funding

- Chapter Achievement Awards.

Here are a few memorable pictures captured during networking phase of this IEEE ComSoc's annual gathering in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: