Member Comment Sought for Proposed Bylaws Amendments

The IEEE Computer Society (CS) Board of Governors recently approved the first reading of amendments to Bylaws Article XI Standing Committees Section 8 Diversity & Inclusion Committee.

The committee is being renamed to reflect the Society's broader mission to expand participation in all ways and in all areas of computer science and engineering, including mission-focused work on technology focused public imperatives. The "Broadening Participation" term aligns with other organizations in the computing community.

The proposed Bylaws amendments are available for review below. Changes are marked in the text. The documents remain accessible at this location until such time as the changes receive final approval.

Members can send comments on the proposed bylaws amendments to Anne Marie Kelly (amkelly@computer.org) by Thursday, 31 July 2025 at 5:00PM EST.

ARTICLE XI – STANDING COMMITTEES

Standing Committee Organization

The Standing Committees shall include the following:

- 1. Awards Committee
- 2. Constitution & Bylaws Committee
- 3. Elections Committee
- 4. Fellow Evaluating Committee
- 5. Finance Committee
- 6. History Committee
- 7. Nominations Committee
- 8. Diversity & Inclusion Broadening Participation Committee

Section 8: Diversity & Inclusion Committee Broadening Participation Committee

The Diversity & Inclusion Broadening Participation Committee shall foster an environment at the Society in which a broad range of all individuals and organizations are encouraged to participate and engage in Society activities and programs, without regard to gender, race, age, national origin, sexual affiliation, gender identity, gender expression, affiliation, and other demographic factors. The Diversity & Inclusion Broadening Participation Committee shall coordinate and promote activities across the Society that further the mission to serve and engage underrepresented groups to expand participation in computer science and engineering. The Diversity & Inclusion Broadening Participation Committee shall consist of members as defined in the IEEE Computer Society Policies & Procedures Manual.