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President's Corner

To state the obvious, the past few years have been a challenge and our chapter was impacted in multiple ways. The pandemic affected our membership levels as everyone faced difficult choices in priorities. Without the ability to meet face-to-face, we were forced to re-think our approach to chapter meetings. As a result, we are now a stronger and more resilient chapter.

I am pleased to welcome and congratulate our newly elected board members! This is a very exciting time for our chapter and chapter leadership. We have new leadership with fresh perspectives and ideas, record high chapter membership levels, a series of high-quality and engaging events planned for the coming year, and an overall noticeable uptick in the vibrancy and energy level of the chapter.

I am grateful and honored for the opportunity to serve as the INCOSE C-NO Chapter President for the past three years and am truly excited and looking forward to supporting the new leadership team. I encourage you to join us at one of our upcoming chapter events for some good fun, engaging topic discussions and comradery!

- Tim Schuler

C-NO President

Welcome to New Chapter Members

Welcome to new members since our last Newsletter! The Board of Directors hopes the Chapter can aid you in your professional development and looks forward to getting to know you.

- Catherine Conroy
- Kyle Hayhurst
- Wesley Key
- Nhu An Luizer

- Michael Kress
- Ashvani Madan
- Roger Chapin
- Bob Scaccia
- Paul Scaccia
- Gerry Wagner
- Keith Lucas
- Jacob Anderson

To all members, I would encourage you to invite co-workers and other systems engineers you know to join INCOSE and become active in the Chapter.

-Dennis Rohn

Cleveland-Northern Ohio Chapter Membership Chair

C-NO Chapter 2023 Election Results

Following the February 7-21 Balloting Period, I am pleased to announce the new cohort of C-NO Chapter Officers:

- **President:** Dennis Rohn
- **Vice President:** Sastry Kasibhatla
- **Treasurer:** Brian Hallett
- **Secretary:** Amber Waid
- **Director At-Large:** Sam Ciccone.

Their term will run from March 30, 2023 until the end of the first Chapter Meeting in 2024. Many thanks to everyone who voted!

Bill Klinger
Nominations & Elections Committee Chair (2023)

Energy & Mobility Conference Call for Papers

The EnergyTech conference series, managed with support from NASA GRC and INCOSE for the past decade by Telepath Systems, has evolved with SAE partnership into a 4 day event to focus on two of the most crucial challenges of our time: "Energy and Mobility". In further collaboration with NASA and INCOSE, the combined event will feature key speakers and experts from Government, Industry and Academia on a range of relevant topics as shown below. Organized with support by Critical Ops, the event will be held at the I-X Center, featuring 5 tracks, 8 themes, and several high-value workshops.

Technical papers and presentations invited on:

- Energy (Electrical, Microgrid, Storage, Sustainable Fuels, Hydrogen)
- Mobility (Aviation, Automotive, Commercial Vehicles, Charging)
- Space Systems & Technology, Power & Propulsion, Tech Transfer
- Transportation Electrification, Infrastructure & Resilience

- Autonomy & Advanced Control
- Drones & Airborne Systems
- Systems Integration, Security, Model-based SE
- Business Value Chain / Supply Chain

Key Deadlines:
- Abstracts due (250-500 words): March 7, 2023
- Final Manuscripts, copyright assignments, and final presentations due: July 5, 2023

We welcome you to join us at the I-X CENTER in Cleveland, OH for this one-of-a-kind event.

For more information, visit us online at energyandmobility.org.

Questions? Contact us at: info@energyandmobility.org

March Chapter Meeting

Systems Engineering Career Trajectories; Slovenian Neighborhood Tour

At this chapter meeting, Systems Engineers in Northeast Ohio will share their career trajectories in a single-screen display, highlighting points of transition to a Systems career, along with various advancements along the way.

Prior to the hybrid meeting, historian Stan Kuhar will give us a tour of St. Vitus church (6019 Lausche Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103), sharing culture, history, and the architecture of this longtime Slovenian neighborhood.

After the tour, an optional authentic Slovenian dinner will be available at 5PM at Goldhorn Brewery (1361 E 55th St, Cleveland, OH 44103) for $10. The C-NO Chapter is generously subsidizing the cost of the meal which otherwise would be $31.

The hybrid event will follow, from 6PM to 7PM.

Register here.

INCOSE Membership Fees Increasing

INCOSE recently sent out an email regarding membership fee increases. If you missed the email, membership fees are increasing on January 1, 2024. Regular memberships are going up from $160 to $175. If your membership is due in early 2024, consider renewing early or for everyone, consider renewing for multiple years, to get a reduced rate.

Master Quality Management Course

The INCOSE Systems Engineering Quality Management (SEQM) working group has partnered with the Quality Management Institute (QMI) to offer QMI's extensive educational course and certification in QM to members of the working group with a full scholarship—there's no charge
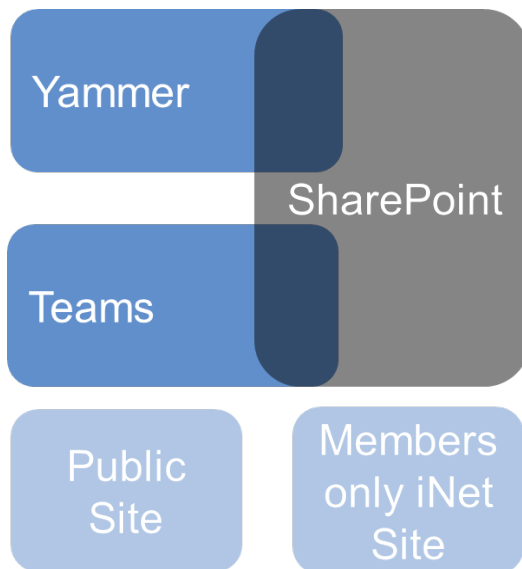
to INCOSE SEQM working group members, and new members are welcome to join and enroll in the course. You must be a full INCOSE member and join the SEQM Working Group.

The course is offered through a self-paced/cohort approach with course materials presented online and biweekly cohort discussion sessions with live instructors. Online coursework is approximately 24 hours in total, spread over the 16-week cohort schedule. The hour-long cohort sessions meet on Wednesday afternoons.

The next cohort starts on March 1, 2023, at 14:30 EST, 20:30 CET, and is open for enrollment until March 22, with future cohorts planned in 2023. Check out the SEQM website for more details: http://www.incose.org/seqm.

INCOSE And Chapter IT Resources Being Updated

INCOSE is going through a transition to modernize its Information Technology (IT) systems. Along with this comes some new capabilities. This article is an attempt to share where the Cleveland-Northern Ohio (C-NO) Chapter is at with the transition and provide some insights into the new capabilities.

The new approach for websites provides for both a public website and in internal (iNet) website, which is only open to chapter members. There will be links to each other on those pages to facilitate members moving between them. Our current Chapter website, which is open to the public (C-NO Chapter Site) has not yet been updated. Over the next couple months, I will be working to get this transition accomplished. If anyone would like to help, please contact me (Dennis Rohn).

One of the more significant changes has to do with what was known as INCOSE Connect. INCOSE Connect was a SharePoint site that was used to house information internal to Chapters. It is being replaced with a suite of tools, that includes Yammer and Teams, both with an updated version of SharePoint as their backend. The intent is that Yammer/SharePoint be used as a more permanent location for storing internal information and Teams/ SharePoint be used more for items that are in progress by small teams.

Yammer provides a threaded discussion capability and INCOSE members can choose to join any INCOSE Yammer group desired, including working groups and more than one chapter (you will still only be a member of one chapter, as defined in your membership profile). The C-NO Chapter's Yammer site is: C-NO Yammer. As mentioned above, Yammer includes a SharePoint backend. Groups may use that backend in different ways. Clicking on the "Files" tab in Yammer will display files that have been posted in chats or files that the groups have added to that same

folder. Note that on my work computer, the "Files" tab does not display data. For more information on Yammer, checkout the *IT Update* article in the INCOSE Members Newsletter Q3 2022.

To prepare for INCOSE Connect to be deactivated, I have moved all of the content that had been in the C-NO area within INCOSE Connect to the Yammer SharePoint backend. To make more use of SharePoint functionality, it was built out in SharePoint, rather than just the "Files" tab in Yammer. On the right-hand side of Yammer, you will see a "Community Resources" section. Within it, if you click on "SharePoint Library", and on the folders that open up, you can see the content that is the same as displayed int e Yammer "Files" tab. For the C-NO Chapter, you can also click on the "SharePoint site" to see all of the content that was moved from INCOSE Connect. Both methods will also give you a menu on the left side of the window to navigate within the Chapter SharePoint site C-NO Chapter Sharepoint.

Except for some limited use of the Teams meeting capability early during the pandemic, the Chapter has not made use of the Teams functionality. We will continue to keep it in mind to see how we might utilize it.

The other area I would like to address is email addresses. If things have been set up, you should have both an @incose.org address and an @incose.net email address. For most members it will be preceded by your firstname.lastname. Both are forwarded to your primary email, which is the one listed in your INCOSE profile. Your primary email address is used to login to the incose.org website domain, while your @incose.net email is the one used to log in to INCOSE's Microsoft 365 domain, including Yammer.

Continue to watch for additional information on our IT systems.

Dennis Rohn

INCOSE International Symposium 2023

The 2023 International Symposium is right around the corner. IS2023 is being held as a hybrid event with the in-person venue in Honolulu, Hawaii. Registration should open soon and there are various options to choose from. A detailed agenda has not been posted yet, but in past years, over the six days, there have been five technical tracks planned with more than 80 papers or presentations. There are also keynote speakers planned for the plenary sessions. It is anticipated that individuals from at least 25 countries will be represented, covering 24 application domains and 37 separate topic area. There will also be panel discussions and 2 optional tutorials. For more information, check out the IS2023 website: IS 2023.

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