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Chapter News

The President's Corner...

Welcome to the INCOSE community! Summer is here and we have a lot of activities going on. For our monthly meetings, we partner with industry leaders for tours and system thinking & engineering discussions. They are FREE, open to all, and a great opportunity to connect and contribute to our community. Our next meeting is:

Save the Date Oct 11-14, 2017!

We are excited to be hosting the INCOSE Great Lakes Regional Conference (GLRC 11). It is right around the corner and will be a great opportunity to connect with other system engineers and learn best practices on a variety of topics. Join us for the technical presentations, networking, tutorials and workshops. It's also an opportunity to take the INCOSE certification exam. Find all the conference information on the GLRC11 website: <http://www.incose.org/glrc11>. We hope to see you there!

We would love to hear from you. What can we help you with? Are there any companies that we can connect you to? Best practices that you are looking to learn more about and apply? Are you looking for a leadership opportunity? There is so much going on in our community...reach out and let us know what we can do for you at northstar@gmail.com, Attn: Michele. Or check out our website at <http://www.incose.org/north-star>.

Elections are coming up and we are looking for people to help shape and lead our community. Open positions include:

1. President-Elect
2. Treasurer
3. Membership Director

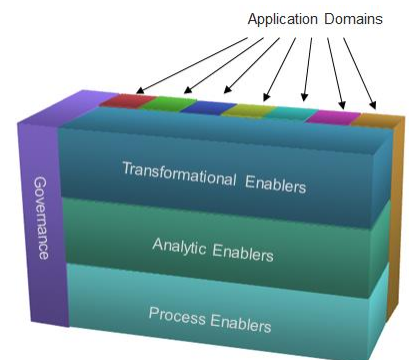
Email us @ northstar.incose@gmail.com if you are interested or want to learn more. We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at upcoming events.

Best,
Michele Zoromski
NSC President 2017

Working Groups

INCOSE working groups are a great place to meet individuals who are looking to overcome similar challenges. These groups often span multiple regions and industries, so we can really look at these topics in a broad, informed way. In the North Star Chapter, we have several members Chair/working in different groups like the Measurement, SE in Very Small Enterprises (VSE), Handbook as well as others. There are many topics to choose from. Finding the groups and joining is easy! To join any working group:

1. Login to your account at INCOSE.ORG
2. Click on the "Profile Home" link at the top of the page.
3. Scroll down to "My committees/Working Groups and click on the link "Browse/Join a Working Group"
4. This will result in a list of Working Groups under the header Committees. (The terms are interchangeable)
5. Scroll down until you see find a committee that you are interested in. Click the link and then on the right click on the (view) link.
6. This will result in a roster of current WG members.



7. Scroll down to the bottom of the list and under "Committee Tasks" click on "Join this Committee"

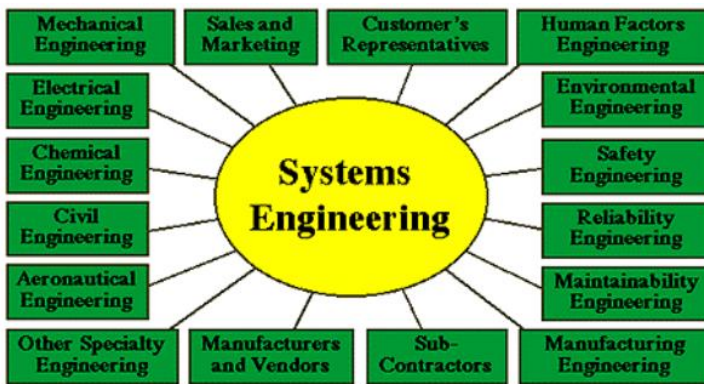
Working groups are a great way to learn more about a subject, grow your network, and share your knowledge about a subject.

[Join a Working Group TODAY!](#)

[The Ambassador Program...](#)

From Kousha Davoudi: The Ambassador Program is part of the Director of Industry office of the NSC and they held an Ambassador Meeting to welcome New Members. We had a meet-and-greet, in March. I gave a presentation on **INCOSE** and the basics of how it works.

Summer Ambassador meeting was held on June 22, 2017, at [Grumpy's, 1111 S Washington Ave](#), Minneapolis, MN 55415. Kousha presented items from the 2017 Ambassador Plan to the attending Ambassadors. We had a very good meeting and many new ideas were identified and discussed. A few of the new ideas that were discussed included questions that can assist ambassadors and any companies to determine how systems engineering can help; and providing Lunch and Learn to promote systems thinking and systems engineering.



We are due to meet again for the fall Ambassador Meeting, 6:30 to 9:00, on September 21st at [Grumpy's, 1111 S Washington Ave](#), Minneapolis, MN 55415.

[Membership Chair...](#)

From Roz Dolid:

We are looking for a Membership Director for 2018, if communicating and networking is your "thing" or if you're interested in growing in this area, contact Roz or any of the current board members to find out more about joining the team.

Our products and environments are becoming more complex. System thinking and engineering can help you to manage this ongoing complexity. INCOSE is a community that is passionate about looking at challenges from a systems perspective. Whether it's a discussion, a tool, or methodology, we are the go-to- resource for systems best practices.

Our local Minnesota Chapter is a vibrant community representing the diverse industries that we have in the Twin Cities—biomedical, industrial, materials, 3D printing, defense, just to name a few. We offer monthly [free Membership Meetings](#) and bi-annual **Tutorials** where we explore current topics and [SE Best Practices](#) to help you and others in your organization to become the best **SE Practitioners** we can be. Our monthly Leadership meetings are open to active members—[let us know if you have an interest.](#)

For Upcoming Chapter Events Please Go to the [North Star Chapter Website](#) ...

[New Chapter Members and Certifications](#)

[Welcome New Members](#)

JUSTIN CHARRON is a Software Engineer with Sensata Technologies.

ERLING DANIELSON is a Systems Engineer with Orbital ATK.

DAISY F. ENANGA is a Systems Engineering Leader and Program Manager with Orbital ATK. Daisy is also a Leadership Coach and Lecturer.

THOMAS HOEGH is in Technology Development, Outcome-Oriented Research, and Data Analytics and creates wickedly cool products customers love. He is Thomas Hoegh Consulting, LLC.

JOSEPH OAKLAND is a Senior Systems Integration & Test Engineer with Medtronic.

LEIF PISTOLE is a Senior Systems Engineer with Banner Engineering.

ERIK REYNOLDS is a Senior Director of Engineering with Logic PD.

Join us on LinkedIn, [INCOSE North Star Chapter](#)

Great Lakes Regional Conference 11 (GLRC 11)

It is coming, please contact Dave Walden, Dave@sysnovation.com, to volunteer in any way large or small. Many hands make light work.



GLRC11 Plan (Preliminary)



- Theme
 - Superior System Solutions for Today's Complex Environments
- Targeting Wednesday-Saturday in October 2017
 - Wednesday – Welcome Reception
 - Thursday – Opening Plenary, Program, Banquet
 - Friday – Program, SE Professional Development Day
 - SE PDD – One Track Broadcast to TBD Satellite Sites
 - Saturday – Tutorials, Tours?
- Venue TBD
 - Likely Hotel near Airport/MoA

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On the International Front...

IW 2018, INCOSE kicks off each year with its annual gathering of the membership to discuss and advance the state of the art of systems engineering. Spend several days of intense activities centered around technical content with volunteers who meet electronically during most of the year. This is the time to collaborate and celebrate in person. The prestigious Working Group Award winners are named at IW, as is the recipient of the Johns Hopkins INCOSE scholarship; and, newly elected officers and directors are installed. The gathering is capped off with an annual INCOSE Foundation Wine Tasting to raise money for Foundation activities.

Join us at the [IW 2018 Workshop](#)

- **Date:** Jan 28, 2017 - Jan 31, 2017
- **Location:** Jacksonville, FL, USA
- **Venue:** Hyatt

Learn more about what we can do. Click [here](#) for the **Q2 2017 INCOSE Members Newsletter**

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https://twitter.com/incose_org

Please visit us at [North Star Chapter](#) to find out what is going on in the Twin Cities and surrounding area.