

Chinese Institute of Engineers - USA

Greater New York Chapter



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OBJECTIVE

CIE-USA is a professional and educational organization. The objective of CIE-USA is to promote unity and fellowship in the engineering profession, to promote communication and interchange of information among engineers and scientists in various fields of engineering science who are interested in the well-being of the Chinese engineering community in the U.S. and abroad. CIE-USA is a non-profit and non-political organization.

HISTORY

The Chinese Institute of Engineers (CIE) was first founded in 1917 in the United States by a group of able, dedicated and far-sighted Chinese engineers who were graduated from American colleges and were being trained in American railroads and industries. The main organization was then moved to China and a counterpart left in America became a chapter. The status remained unchanged till 1949.

On July 15, 1953, the chapter in the United States was reactivated as an independent entity by itself known as CIE, New York. It

was registered in the State of New York in 1963 as the Chinese Institute of Engineers, New York, Inc., and as a nonprofit organization. In 1986 the National Council of CIE-USA was established to further unite Chinese engineering societies across the continent. Hence, the name of CIE, New York was changed to the Greater New York Chapter of the Chinese Institute of Engineers – USA, abbreviated as CIE-USA/GNYC.

ORGANIZATION

CIE-USA/GNYC is governed by a Board of 12 directors and guided by Advisory Council consisting mostly of past presidents. The term of a director is four years.

The directors elect the officers, namely, president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The term of the officers is one year, but an officer can be re-elected.

The president appoints the chairman of various committees that, with the directors, form the body of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee holds business

meetings once a month to review the progress of each committee and resolve matters of importance. Upon the approval of the Executive Committee, additional committees may be formed to handle special assignments.

ACTIVITIES

CIE-USA/GNYC sponsors events, such as high-tech conferences, technical consultation, management and venture capital seminars. Among various activities, the major ones are as following.

Annual Convention CIE-USA/GNYC holds the annual convention in Fall of each year. The convention starts in the morning with a plenary session in which three to four distinguished scientists, technologies or entrepreneur present overview of modern technical or business development over the previous year. In the afternoon there are parallel sessions intended to provide a forum for in-depth discussion in various technical disciplines or business trend. Evening banquet program consists of presentation of high school scholarship,

service and achievement awards and banquet keynote speech. One notable record this organization holds is a memorable string of distinguished award recipients since 1957 for their outstanding scientific, technological achievements or public service. Among them are a few Nobel Laureates. Please visit www.cie-gnyc.org/newsletter/cie_award_2007.pdf for a complete list of award recipients from 1957 through 2006.

The Wireless and Optical Communications Conference (WOCC) CIE-USA/GNYC has co-sponsored the conference with other three Chinese-American professional societies since 1992. The conference is held once a year to exchange information among Chinese professionals from United States and abroad on the progress of technologies in the wireless and optical communications arena. The conference location rotates among Taiwan, US and Mainland China. Please visit www.wocc.org for more information.

Emerging Information Technology Conference(EITC) CIE-USA/GNYC co-sponsors the conference with other professional societies. The conference is held every year in New Jersey and provides a platform for networking and information exchange for new information technologies.

CIEUSE Future Leaders Club This is a newly initiated program within CIE-USA/GNYC. Objective of the program is to provide an opportunity for talented high school students to learn and practice leadership skills for the future. This program is supported by IBM.

In addition, CIE-USA/GNYC actively supports programs that are managed by the National Council of CIE-USA, such as METS, SATEC, AAEOY and Hong Kong Conference. CIE-USA/GNYC routinely takes command of these national-level activities.

METS (Modern Engineering and Technology Seminar) The bi-annual

conference was initiated in 1966 by the then CIE, New York and the industry in Taiwan. Over 40 years the conference and CIE-USA have made significant contribution to the spectacular industrial growth in Taiwan; the most remarkable one is the success of IC industry.

SATEC (Sino-American Technology and Engineering Conference) A similar bi-annual conference known as SATEC was instituted with mainland China in 1993. In addition to technical information exchange, each past SATEC presented a conference report to Mainland China on policy or technical development, which has been always highly regarded by the central government.

Hong Kong Technology Conference A new program that was just jointly initiated by CIE-USA, Hong Kong Science Park and Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Commission. The first conference is to be held in October of 2006.

AAEOY (Asian American Engineer of the Year) Each year CIE-USA selects outstanding Asian American engineers from major US corporations, universities, government and research institutes. These engineers are presented with awards in a formal banquet during the E-Week (National Engineers Week in February).

NATIONAL COUNCIL of CIE-USA

The council was established in 1986 to include regional CIE groups under one organization, CIE-USA. Over years, the national organization has expanded to consist of six chapters.

- Dallas/Fort Worth Area Chapter
- New Mexico Chapter
- Greater New York Chapter
- Overseas Chinese Environmental Engineers and Scientist
- The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter
- Seattle Chapter

More information about the National Council and its chapters can be found on the web. (Rev. May 2008)

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