DLP VISIT REPORT

The IEEE Computational Intelligence Queretaro Chapter had the privilege of hosting Dr. Alice Smith professor of the Industrial and Systems Engineering at Auburn University for two distinguished lectures. Dra. Smith travel expenses were financed both by the IEEE CI Society and by the IEEE CIS Queretaro Chapter.

Professor Smith took a flight from Atlanta to Mexico City. Members from our chapter picked her up at the Mexico City airport and bring her to Santiago de Queretaro by car (about 3.5 hour’s car journey). She was hosted in the La Hija del Alfarero hotel (10 min walk from the University).

Lecture 1: Evolutionary Strategies for Difficult Design Problems

Date/time: September 21\textsuperscript{th} 2018/11 – 12:30 am

Location: Biotech Auditorium, Engineering Faculty of the Autonomous University of Queretaro

The talk was advertised three weeks in advance using the IEEE Queretaro Section Facebook account and by sending Emails to the IEEE Section members using the vtools platform.

https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/176778
We had about 60 attendees, members of the CIS Queretaro Chapter, the Queretaro Section, Ph.D. candidates, and graduated students of the Queretaro Section. The talk from Dr. Smith was very enlightening and pleasant. The audience were delighted and engaged to the topic.
Lecture 2: Decision Science Inspired by Nature

Date/time: September 21\textsuperscript{th} 2018/17 – 19 hours

Location: Jesús Pérez Hermosillo Auditorium, Engineering Faculty of the Autonomous University of Queretaro

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This time we had 45 attendees, graduated students, professors and IEEE professionals. Similar to his first talk, the audience was very interested in the topic and asked many questions.
We would like to thank Dr. Alice Smith for her lectures and good advice and the CIS DLP Committee for supporting this event. We look forward for hosting more Distinguished Lecturers in the future.

Sincerely,

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