

Dear Colleague in Academia,

We are living in a time when engineering education is facing several challenges. Quality and industry readiness of graduates from engineering institutions are matters of concern to both academia and industries. Accreditation is being considered as one of the important benchmarks for setting these targets. As we know, the NBA is one of the important bodies in India performing this task, and we are familiar with its accreditation process. ABET is a federation of 35 professional and technical member societies representing the fields of applied science, computing, engineering and engineering technology, and it is the oldest and most renowned worldwide accreditation organization.

The Strategic Initiatives for Academic Engagement , IEEE Kerala Section in association with APJ Abdul Kalam Kerala Technological University (APJAKTU) is facilitating a webinar series on Accreditation and Quality of Engineering Education from an ABET perspective. This is the first initiative of a series of programs under the “Strategic Initiative for Academic Engagement” of IEEE Kerala Section. An overview on ABET Accreditation, outcomes assessment, working with industry, establishing programs objectives etc, are some of the topics expected to cover in this series.

The webinar series will be delivered by an eminent and esteemed resource person - **Dr. S. K. Ramesh**, Director - AIMS² Program; Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering - California State University, Northridge, USA; Director of the Engineering Area Delegation of ABET - ABET Board of Directors. Prof. Ramesh has served IEEE in several leadership roles including 2016-17 Vice President of Educational Activities, and as 2016 President of IEEE-HKN (the Electrical Engineering Honor Society).

Abstract of the first webinar is attached to <https://bit.ly/WebinarAbstract> and the abridged biodata of the speaker can be found on <https://bit.ly/DrSKRamesh>.

Registration is mandatory to attend the program. Registration is free and open to all academicians but restricted to 250 participants on a first come first serve basis. For registration, please logon to [:https://bit.ly/KTUWebinarABET](https://bit.ly/KTUWebinarABET)

The details of the first webinar is given below:

Topic: Accreditation and Quality of Engineering Education- An ABET Perspective

Date: 08- May- 2020

Time: 08:00 PM - 09:30 PM

Online Platform: ZOOM Meetings

Program Overview:

Welcome: Sarada Jayakrishnan, Chair, IEEE Kerala Section (5 Min)

Inauguration of Strategic Initiative: Dr.Rajasree M.S., Hon. Vice-Chancellor, APJAKTU (5 Min)

Speaker Introduction: Dr. Sameer S. M. (5 Min)

Webinar and Q&A: Dr. S. K. Ramesh (75 Min)

Thank you,

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