

Success by the Sea at CCECE – thanks Canadian Atlantic Section!

The wind was in the sails for presenters at the 28th Annual Canadian Conference on Electrical and Computer Engineering in Halifax last May. And the organizers threw a pretty good party!



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The theme of CCECE 2015 was *Electrical and Computer Engineering—Celebrating 30 Years of Ocean Frontiers*. From all reports, the technical sessions had depth, and everyone certainly had an ocean of fun!

The conference General Chair was Jason Gu (photo above); Honorary Chair was Mo El-Hawary (bottom right). The Technical Program Committee, led by Co-chairs Mae Seto and Ralph Bachmayer, drew almost 450 submissions from 29 countries and regions. After a rigorous full-paper peer review process, roughly 290 papers were accepted for oral presentation in 48 technical sessions. The full conference committee tallied about 200 volunteers, whose efforts showed with flying colours.

A highlight of each CCECE is the Annual Awards Banquet, where IEEE Canada recognizes the technical achievements and service excellence of its members. Shown to the right, IEEE Canada Administrator, Cathie Lowell, gives Lori Hogan of Newfoundland and Labrador Section a sneak preview of her J.J. Archambault Eastern Canada Merit Award. IEEE Canada President Amir Aghdam made the official presentation to her and the other Major Award recipients, assisted by Awards and Recognition Committee Chair Geza Joos. The evening was expertly choreographed by the conference Local Organizing Committee, led by Dirk Werle. An added touch was brought by a professional Master of Ceremony, who regaled the audience with humorous stories about events in the Halifax area. ■

