

IEEE and Eta Kappa Nu Honor Society Sign Merger Agreement

24 February – IEEE signed a merger agreement with the honor society ETA Kappa Nu (HKN), a nonprofit, public-service organization comprising nearly 200 university chapters, 14 February 2009. The merger, which will go into effect by mid-2009 pending final approval, will make HKN the official honor society of IEEE, recognizing scholarship and academic excellence and identifying student leaders, young professionals and eminent scholars in the IEEE's technical fields of interest.

Under the agreement, HKN will become an organizational unit of IEEE, governed by the new IEEE-HKN Board of Governors. A restricted endowment will be created in the IEEE Foundation to support HKN's educational, societal, and recognition activities. In addition to holding HKN's current assets, the new endowment will receive an initial donation of US\$1.2M from IEEE.

Read the full press release at <http://www.ieee.org/web/aboutus/news/2009/24feb.html>.