EOI for the 2027 IEEE IAS Mini Industry Networking Event (MINE)

xxx (title)

DD/MM/2027 (duration), City, Country

The boxes in each of the following sections explain the expected information to be provided in the proposal. Please feel free to remove them after adding the respective content.

EOI Qualification Requirements – 2027 MINE Competition

To qualify for a MINE grant, the EOI must meet ALL of the requirements below (IEEE IAS MINE Guideline – 2027 Competition, Sections 3 and 4). Please delete this block before submitting.

- **Eligible entity:** an existing IEEE IAS Section Chapter (SC) or Student Branch Chapter (SBC), including joint SBCs (e.g. IAS/PELS); an IEEE Student Branch that forms an IAS SBC, approved by IAS, before the EOI deadline; or an IEEE Young Professionals (YP) Affinity Group with at least one (1) active IEEE IAS member in the organising team, or co-hosting with a local IAS SC/SBC in the same Section.
- **Length:** the completed EOI **must not exceed three (3) pages**.
- **Program:** at least one (1) hour of educational session (panel, roundtable or keynote) AND at least one (1) hour of networking between IEEE IAS members and industry professionals.
- **Attendance:** at least 20 attendees from a minimum of 5 different companies.
- **Budget:** total event cost must not exceed US$2,000, with a plan to secure at least 10% of the funding through industry partnerships. Speaker honoraria and travel expenses are not covered.
- **Approval:** signed approval from the entity's authorised representative (Section 8 of this form).
- **Submission:** by 28 November 2026 via https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/2da78f7635484e478f49c9732ecc33f4. Approved grant funds are transferred to the chapter account once the EOI process is completed.

1. Key Organizers

Please provide the names and contact details of key organizers

Participating Entity Name: XXX
Entity Type: SC / SBC / Joint SBC (e.g. IAS/PELS) / YP Affinity Group
IEEE Section / Region: XXX
Contact Person/Lead Origanizer:
Affiliation:
Email:

Other organizers (if applicable): (a letter of support from industry is highly desirable)

Name YYY
Affiliation
Email

Has your entity received MINE funding in the 2025/2026 competition? (Yes/No)

2. Aims

Please state the aims of organizing this Networking Event that attracts more industry experts. This may include one or more of the followings:

- Industry talks
- Panel discussion
- Industry oriented course program (e.g. PSCAD, PSSE,Python)

3. Venue and Date

Please provide information about the venue, date, duration.

4. Expected Attendance and Participation

Explain how you would attract participants for the event. What marketing strategies will be used (e.g. Linkedin post, etc)

Expected number of attendees (minimum 20): XX
Expected number of different companies (minimum 5): XX
Industry sectors expected to be represented: e.g. utilities, manufacturing, mining, renewables
Expected mix of attendees: industry professionals / IEEE IAS members / students / non-IEEE members

5. Tentative Program

The tentative program should be carefully structured to ensure the smooth flow of activities and maximize the learning and engagement of participants. If your entity received MINE funds in 2025/2026, demonstrate how you will do better this time.

Requirement: *the program must include at least one (1) hour of educational session and at least one (1) hour of networking. Please show the duration of each item. A Program that move beyond one day will be disqualified.*

The program should NOT be conducted as a part of a;

- *Conference*
- *Series of other events*

6. Budget Estimation and Financial Sponsors

Please provide details about the expenditure and income. Try to align with realistic numbers,

The following table sheet example is provided for reference only.

Expenditure Items

(US$)	Price	Unit	Pax	Total
Conference room (if applicable)				
Lunch				
Coffee break				
Banquet				
Other local costs (logistics, printing, etc.)				
Total				

NOTE: The total event cost must not exceed US$2,000, and at least 10% of the funding should be secured through industry partnerships. Speaker honorarium or travel expenses will not be covered under this program.

Income Items

(US$)	Price	Pax	Total
IEEE IAS Contribution			
External sponsorship (companies, institutions, etc.)			
Total			

- In total, the expense is US$XXX.
- We will request the financial support from
  - IEEE IAS by US$YYY, and
  - External sponsorship by US$ZZZ.

7. Impact and Benefits

Please elaborate on the expected impact on IAS education and beyond by having IEEE IAS co-funding. Furthermore, describe your target audience and how they would benefit from the involvement of IEEE IAS

Also explain how you advertise pre-and-post events using social media such as LinkedIn. Acknowledgement of the IAS is expected in all social media posts.

IAS expect to receive the post event photos and can have shared them via a.vanbuskirk@ieee.org

8. Approval of the Authorised Representative

I confirm that the Participating Entity named above approves the hosting of this event and its participation in the 2027 IEEE IAS MINE Competition.

Name:

Position: e.g. Chapter Chair / Branch Counselor / Section Chair

Signature:

Date: