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CONNECTICUT SECTION – 2019 Region 1 Speaker Tour

Date: **Wednesday, May 8, 2019**
Location: **University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT**
Information Technologies Engineering (ITE), Room 119
Time: **12:00 noon – 1:00 PM Presentation**
Contact: **Charlotte Blair, IEEE CT – cblair@ieee.org**
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Topic: IEEE Publications Presentation by 2019 Vice President – Publications, Dr. Hulya Kirkici

Abstract: Dr. Hulya Kirkici will give an overview of IEEE publications and policies including current changes in publication models, such as open access publishing. She will discuss new projects and tools including author/reviewer education, preprint services, conference publications and other strategic activities and goals of IEEE publications. The 1 hour talk and discussion with Dr. Kirkici will include variety of other topics ranging on publishing in IEEE journals, and her experiences as an IEEE volunteers, academic researcher, and educator. Questions from the audience are strongly encouraged.

Speaker: Dr. Hulya Kirkici, Professor and the Department Chair of Electrical & Computer Engineering at the University of South Alabama.

Biography: Dr. Hulya Kirkici is the Department Chair and Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of South Alabama. She is also the 2019 IEEE Vice President – Publications, IEEE Director (member of the Board of Directors) and the Chair of Publications Services and Products Board (PSPB). Dr. Kirkici has served on a variety of high level IEEE Committees, and was the President of IEEE Dielectrics and Electrical Insulation Society, the Vice President of IEEE Sensors Council, and Treasurer and Finance Chair of IEEE PSPB, among other volunteering positions.

Dr. Kirkici received B.S. and M.S. in physics from Middle East Technical University (METU), Turkey; and Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Polytechnic University (currently NYU), NY. Previously, Dr. Kirkici was Professor at Auburn University, visiting scholar / consultant / Research Faculty Fellow at the Air Force Research Laboratory – Wright Patterson Air Force Base and NASA, Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, AL.

Dr. Kirkici is a Fellow of IEEE, recipient of the IEEE Eric O. Forster Distinguished Service Award and the IEEE William G. Dunbar Award (Technical award). Dr. Kirkici's research interests span from electrical insulation and high-frequency dielectric breakdown to repetitive pulsed power. She has published her work widely and given plenary and invited talks nationally and internationally over the years.