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I am delighted to be appointed as the new associate editor for the "Women in Engineering" column of *IEEE Antennas and Propagation Magazine*, and I look forward to working with you as readers and contributors to ensure its success. One of the main aims of the column will be to create a place where the women of the antennas and propagation community can share their experiences and achievements to inspire other women and girls around the world to pursue a career in engineering and to give visibility to women engineers. If you have a story to share or are interested in contributing to this column in some other way, please do not hesitate to write to me at francesca.vipiana@polito.it.

The column will be inspired by the main goals and vision of the IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) professional organization (https://wie.ieee.org/), i.e., to promote women engineers, to support their careers, and to recognize their achievements in electrical and electronics engineering via IEEE awards. The IEEE WIE organization has the charge to organize workshops within the main scientific conferences, to support networking, and to encourage active participation of women in the community. Moreover, IEEE WIE provides members with the opportunity to network at the local level through the IEEE WIE affinity groups. There are more than 800 IEEE WIE affinity groups worldwide, and they are in charge of organizing and hosting different activities including guest speakers, workshops, and/or seminars (Figure 1). If you are interested in being involved in the IEEE WIE, the best approach is to start with your local IEEE WIE affinity group (https://wie.ieee.org/how-to-form-a-wie-affinity-group/). Finally, the main conference organized by IEEE WIE is the IEEE WIE International Leadership Conference (WIE ILC), which will be held 23–24 May 2019, in Austin, Texas. For questions, contact the 2019 WIE ILC chair at kathyh@ieee.org, and send general inquiries to contact@ieee-wie-ilc.org. See the main conference website at http://ieee-wie-ilc.org/.

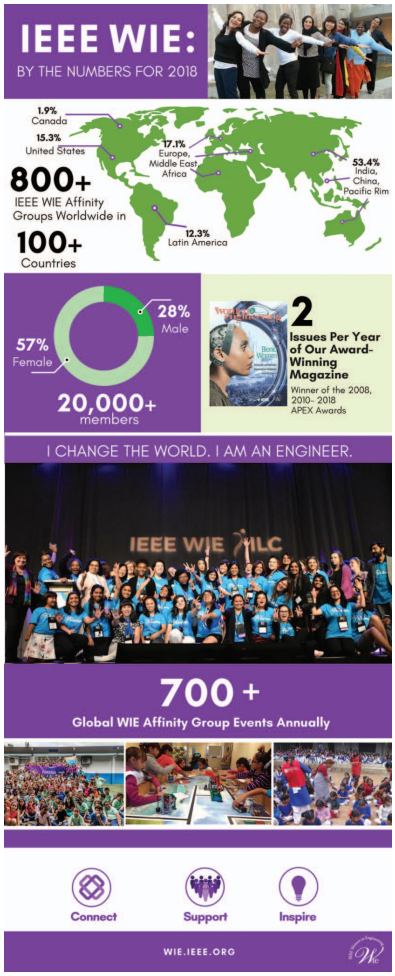

FIGURE 1. Statistics and numbers for IEEE WIE.

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