# **Career Workshop**

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# Workshop Overview

This Career Workshop provides practical strategies to maximize your career talents presented in a positive and entertaining way. The workshop will discuss the following topics:

# • Today's Engineering Workspace and How can IEEE Help

Challenges in today's workplace and understand IEEE resources and help available:

- o Compare what you want in your work life to what others say is important.
- Learn about two truly transferable skills.
- o Identify the payoffs from work most important to you.
- o Recognize key elements of success and fulfillment.
- o Confirm your personal Career Orientation.
- o See what engineering specialties are predicted to grow most in the near future.
- o Hear how IEEE supports engineering careers.

## • Resume Development,

How to use your resume, how to sell yourself:

- o Resumes & job search
- Resume basics
- o Resume strategy
- o Resume guidelines & structure
- Cover letters & References

#### • Job Interview

Understand interview process, what to expect, how to present yourself:

- Interview types
- Preparation for the interview
- What really matters
- o Appearance
- o Behavior, good and bad
- Topics to avoid & questions to ask

#### • Effective Writing Skills

How to improve your written and spoken communications:

- Value of effective communications
- What to avoid
- Ways to become a better writer

# **Speaker Biography**

This workshop is delivered by T. Lahdhiri, PhD, PE, PMP, BB-DFSS, SM-IEEE



Dr. Lahdhiri received the degree of MS-EE in Communication Systems in 1990 and the PhD degree in Control Systems in 1995. Dr. Lahdhiri is currently working for General Motors LLC in Warren, Michigan, where he is holding the position of *Strategy Leader* for Real-Time Control Systems Simulations and *Technical Review Board Chair* for Electrical Systems and Subsystems Validation within the Global Electrical Department.

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Dr. Lahdhiri is a Senior IEEE member and has been leading several activities within the IEEE organization. Currently, he is the IEEE Region 4 (Central USA) PACE Chair, Member of the IEEE-USA PACE committee, Member of the IEEE-USA Career Workforce Policy committee (CWPC), and member of the IEEE-USA Employment & Career Service (ECS) Committee.

Dr. Lahdhiri is the recipient of the 2001 IEEE-USA Professional Achievement Award, the 2004 IEEE-USA Professional Leadership Award, the 2007 IEEE-USA Citation of Honor Award, and the 2012 IEEE Region 4 Jack Sherman Award.

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