

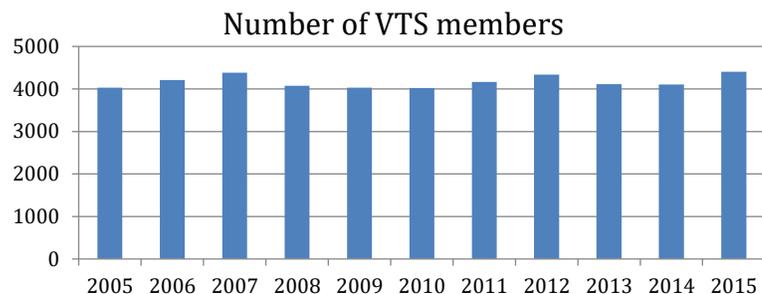
The IEEE Vehicular Technology Society is an applications-oriented society of IEEE, with technical activities concentrated around three pillars: Wireless Communications, Land Transportation, and Motor Vehicles. VTS activities are carried out by volunteers, including reviewers, editors, conference organizers, standards committee participants, local chapter volunteers, etc. The society affairs are managed by a set of elected volunteers, the Board of Governors (BoG).

Membership & services

VTS membership has been relatively steady at around 4200 members. It has been a deliberate choice of the Board of Governors to keep membership fees low (currently \$18).

The Society has a number of local chapters throughout the world: 55% of our members belong to one of our local chapters, which collectively hold on the order of 200 to 250 meetings per year. The VTS Distinguished Lecturer program is one of the largest in IEEE, with approximately 50 world-class speakers ready to provide lectures to VTS chapters around the world.

All our members receive a print copy of the IEEE Vehicular Technology Magazine, containing not only survey and tutorial articles, but also quarterly columns on the different areas of interest to our members. VTS is launching during VTC 2016 Fall in Montreal its VTS TA Resource Center, an online multimedia library with eLearning modules and video recordings of keynotes, panels and presentations. VTS members can access free of charge all videos: <http://resourcecenter.vts.ieee.org/>

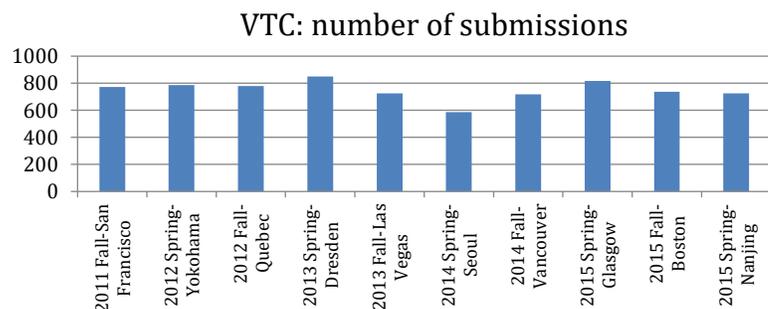


Connected Vehicles Initiative

In 2015, VTS launches its *Connected Vehicles Initiative*, a special initiative to create communities, disseminate knowledge and contribute to standards in this area which is a key area of innovation at the heart of the society's fields of interest. The IEEE Vehicular Technology Magazine now features a new column and a new senior editor for connected vehicles. A web portal has been created (www.ieee-connected-vehicles.org) for disseminating information, and VTS has sponsored for the first time a Summer School in 2016 on connected and automated vehicles at WPI in Worcester. VTS also partnered with the BMW Summer School 2016. VTS is also creating a set of education videos on connected vehicles from renowned international experts that are accessible from our VTS TA Resource Center.

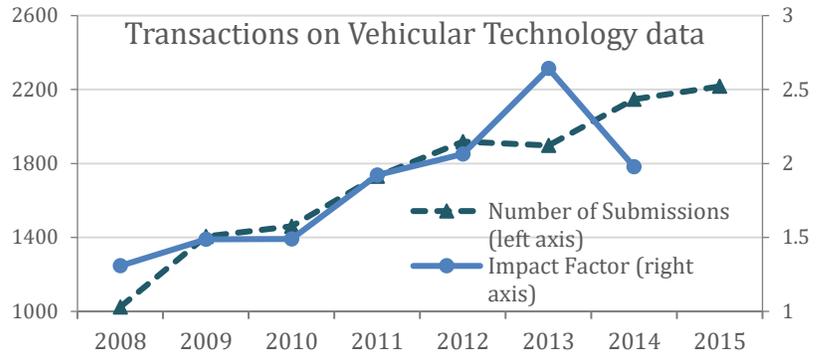
Conferences

VTS organizes several flagship conferences every year. This includes of course the Vehicular Technology Conference (VTC), which is held twice a year, with the Fall edition typically hosted in North America, and the Spring edition outside of North America. VTC is continuing to attract many high quality submissions and is now in its 83rd edition. The Vehicle Power and Propulsion Conference is our flagship conference in the area of motor vehicles, with a strong emphasis on clean and electric vehicles. The next edition will be held in Hangzhou (China) in the Fall of 2016. The Joint Rail Conference is co-organized with partner organizations in civil (ASCE) and mechanical engineering (ASME).



Publications

The IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology is the main journal publication of the Society and is a Q1 journal in the Thomson Reuters Journal Citation Reports. It has been on an upward trajectory for the last decade, attracting more and more quality submissions and increasing its impact factor, thanks to the dedicated work of the editorial volunteer team. The Impact Factor took a dip in the last measurement, but this is mainly due to a large increase in the number of papers published. VTS also publishes the quarterly IEEE Vehicular Technology Magazine (a Q1 JCR publication). VTS is also a co-sponsor of several other publications, including the IEEE Wireless Communications Letters, the IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles and the new IEEE Transactions on Big Data.



Standards

VTS is a key contributor to the world of IEEE standards, for instance in the domain of signaling for rail transportation and connected vehicles. VTS leads and sponsors the IEEE Rail Transportation Standards Committee and the 1609 Dedicated Short Range Communication Working Group (WAVE standards).

Finances

The society has two main sources of income: publications and conferences. Major expenditure items can be grouped into (i) Conferences, (ii) Publications, (iii) Services and Management (Shown as “COMMITTEE/OTHER” below) and (iv) overhead costs to IEEE (shown as “Administration” below). We add one graph showing a breakdown of the “COMMITTEE/OTHER” expenses (2016 actuals).

