

# TWO MOTIONS

1. **There will be no more Correspondence section in the Transactions.**
2. **No submission in the Correspondence category will be accepted as soon as the new policy is posted on the IT society web page and mentioned in the Transactions, and the appropriate changes are made in the Pareja submission procedure (*this should take about three months after BoG approval*).**  
**The remaining submission categories will be denoted:**
  - PAPER
  - CORRECTION
  - OTHER
3. **As of January, 2009, (*at that time, most of the Correspondence items in the editorial pipeline should already be printed*) the Correspondence section will disappear from the Transactions, and all manuscripts (except Corrections, and, possibly, Others) will have the same size and pagination.**
4. **While we accept a diverse range of papers in terms of scope and length, we do expect that their length will be proportional to the scope.**

Notes:

1. Regarding the effect on page count of printing correspondence items as regular papers (no run-in), apparently, this would add at most a few pages, e.g., 3-4 extra pages per issue. So in that sense there would be no significant page count increase if we have regular papers only.

2. We can absorb a part of the page-count increase if we choose the option to have the authors' biographies appear at the end of each paper (this will also make the production people happy, and automatically associate the authors' bio to the papers downloaded through IEEExplore).

**Starting in 2008, the Annual Index of the Transactions will not appear in print. Only an electronic version will be generated, to appear in IEEExplore and in the web site of the Society. The triennial index is discontinued.**

Notes:

1. The annual index that has always appeared in the December Transactions. This index is produced by the IEEE, at a cost of about \$5K. There is also an index covering the past three years, the most recent one taking 129 printed pages, for a further marginal cost of about \$15K. This year it was several weeks late, which caused the December issue to arrive late in December rather than early. Anant pointed out that the total triennial index cost of about \$20K significantly exceeds the expected profit of an IT Workshop.
2. The IEEE does not mandate that we have an index, but in fact all Transactions seem to have one, some purely on-line.