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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Impactful Achievements of the IEEE ITSS

In this last message as president of the IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Society (ITSS) for the years 2022 and 2023, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every member of our esteemed Society. It has been an incredible journey serving alongside your dedication and passion.

Together, we have achieved remarkable milestones, overcome challenges, and positively impacted our community. Your commitment to our Society's mission is truly commendable, and it has been an honor to work with you. Together we

- awarded the prestigious 2022–2023 IEEE ITSS Presidential Prize for Sustainability in Transportation and consolidated it for future editions with the ITSS Prize for Sustainability in Transportation, with the goals of
 - contributing toward increasing awareness of a prompt reduction of greenhouse emissions by making the IEEE ITSS a pioneer in the recognition and promotion of technologies toward sustainable transport
 - recognizing the worldwide sustainable innovative approaches and efforts that contribute to accelerating climate-neutral transport in line with the IEEE TAB Climate Change Program.
- created the ITSS Standing Committee on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging, building upon the success of the ITSS Ad Hoc Committee on Women and Underrepresented Groups and the ITSS Ad Hoc Committee on Young Professionals, with goals of
 - promoting the IEEE TAB mission of “technical communities working together to be the preferred home for all professionals, worldwide”
 - ensuring that anyone pursuing a degree or career in ITS (regardless of age, gender, disability, etc.) feels welcomed and included in the Society
- established the officer position of vice president of outreach activities, which is a crucial position for
 - expanding the Society's reach and visibility by actively engaging with the community and industry stakeholders promoting the Society's goals, initiatives, and achievements as well as for attracting more professionals to join and participate
 - contributing to knowledge dissemination and sharing within the professional community through the organization of events, workshops, and seminars that facilitate the exchange of ideas, best practices, and the latest advancements in the field, creating a framework for continuous learning and collaboration

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As I step down from my role, I want to extend my deepest thanks for the trust and cooperation you have shown throughout my term as president.

- helping build partnerships and collaborations with other organizations, academic institutions, and industry leaders.

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for the trust and cooperation you have shown throughout my term as president.

I look forward to witnessing the ITSS's continued success and being a part of its bright future in different

capacities. Thank you once again for your support.

Sincerely,

Cristina Olaverri-Monreal
President, IEEE ITSS

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