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| **The IAPR-ILC Structure (2013-2014)**  **Jianying Hu,** chair,  *IBM T.J. Watson Research Center (US)*  **Josep Lladós** *Computer Vision Center, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain)*  **Mariofanna Milanova** *University of Arkansas at Little Rock (USA)*  **Dimosthenis Karatzas** *Computer Vision Center, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain)*  **José A. Rodríguez** *Xerox Research Centre Europe, Grenoble (France)*  **L Venkata Subramaniam** *IBM Research (India)*  **Jun Sun** *Fujitsu Research and Development Center (China)* | | **Rationale**  There is a need of bridging the gap between academia and industry in the Pattern Recognition community at large. The International Association for Pattern Recognition (IAPR) is a renowned organization for pattern recognition researchers around the world. However so far formal participation from industries has been limited to ad-hoc events, or sponsorships for conferences and events that are set up each time.  The IAPR Industrial Liaison Committee (IAPR-ILC) has established an IAPR Industrial Affiliation Program (IAPR-IAP) to encourage the affiliation of companies to IAPR. The general goal is to define a protocol to build lasting, strong and bilaterally fruitful ties with companies active in our field:   * To foster the establishment of knowledge transfer pathways between the academia and the industry. * To leverage R&D impact and innovation in applied domains through collaboration under the IAPR umbrella and the sponsored activities. * To help keep research focused on problems that interest industry. * To increase industry access to research publications, students and faculty.   **Who can join the IAPR Industrial Affiliation Program (IAPR-IAP)**  Companies whose activity is related to products or services concerned with pattern recognition, computer vision, and image processing in a broad sense are encouraged to have a corporate affiliation. The affiliation is free of charge.  **Benefits**  Each IAPR-IAP member is offered the following privileges or benefits with the basic affiliation package:   * IAPR Newsletter subscription. * Display of company logo and url at IAPR web site. * Publicity in an IAPR-ILC kiosk / leaflet during ICPR. * Access (through IAPR-ILC) to the IAPR-endorsed conferences and workshops to define sponsorship programs for the conferences, awards, etc. * Special notification of industry related events (e.g., special panel session on industry related research)   Additional packages include, but are not limited to:   * Sponsorship of IAPR conferences or awards on a regular basis. * Exhibition stands in IAPR Conferences. * Sponsorship / organization of an industry-academia exchange event during ICPR.   **Expressions of interest to join the IAPR-IAP**  Companies can send their expression of interest to join the IAPR-IAP to the contact addresses given below. They will be informed on the procedure, benefits, etc.  **Contact information**  Companies interested in the IAPR industrial affiliation and further information about the IAPR-ILC and its activities can contact the IAPR-ILC chair or the IAPR secretariat:   |  |  | | --- | --- | | IAPR-ILC chair  c/o Jianying Hu  jyhu@us.ibm.com | IAPR Secretariat c/o Linda J. O'Gorman [logorman©alumni.duke.edu](mailto:logorman%C2%A9alumni.duke.edu) | |