

## A brief Overview on publishing in the “ENGINEER”, for prospective Authors

### Technical papers for the Journal of the IESL - “ENGINEER”

Publication of “ENGINEER”, The Journal of the Institution of Engineers dates back to 1973, when this quarterly published scholarly journal was established to propagate Engineering knowledge among members of the Institution, relevant professional organizations and the Academia.

First of all, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest and commitment preparing for a publication in the “ENGINEER”. This journal being the premier technical publication on Engineering in Sri Lanka, it is imperative to maintain technical and presentation quality of the published paper at a very high level. Therefore, I would like to earnestly request you to pay your utmost attention in maintaining standards. Following general guideline on attributes envisaged of a technical paper to be published in “ENGINEER” is stated as assistance to you.

For a paper to be acceptable, it should generally be of value and interest to Engineers and contribute to the advancement of the Profession of Engineering. It must be based on review of past practice, information of current interest, or probing into new fields of Engineering activity. It should be a presentation of thought provoking study contributing to planning, analysis, design, construction/fabrication/production, management or maintenance of Engineering developments. In this context, practical papers are encouraged. Wherever possible, theoretical papers should include a section on practical application or additional research areas to be pursued for effective technology transfer.

Based on the context and content of your paper, the referees assigned for anonymous review (double blind refereeing) would identify the section (as stipulated below), into which your paper may belong, as the Journal is produced in two sections.

**Section I.** Engineering theory and application based technical research papers, which are the outcomes of experimental or analytical research conducted by author(s).

**Section II.** Papers of technical and professional interest to Engineering, based on Experience/Applications, Research Surveys, Literature Reviews, by author(s).

Further, I wish to request you to pay particular attention to the following aspects in the process of structuring your paper:

- Originality of the Topic
- Clarity of the Objectives
- Comprehensiveness of Literature Review
- Conclusions/Recommendations in line with Objectives
- Quality of Language & Presentation
- Knowledge Generation in the Area of Study
- \*Strict Adherence to the Required Format (given as a single document on guidelines for publication and a template of the format - *iesl/journal/format*)

*\*If significantly deviating from the format, paper will not be accepted for review*

Please note that a technical paper intended for “ENGINEER” requires to be reviewed by two specialists on the specific subject or in the general subject area. If referees are of opposing views on acceptance of a paper for publication, it may be directed to a third referee by the Editor. Final decision on publication of a particular article is with the Editor and the Editorial Board.

With Best Wishes for an outstanding paper,



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