

A Transformational Year and a Forward Vision – IESL New Zealand Chapter New Year Resolutions

As we step into the New Year, the IESL New Zealand Chapter warmly congratulates the newly elected IESL Council, led by President Eng. Kosala Kamburadeniya. We look forward to working closely with the new leadership to strengthen the Institute's global presence and support Sri Lankan engineers worldwide.

The year 2025 was a significant milestone for the IESL New Zealand Chapter. A key achievement was the strengthened engagement with the IESL Head Office, fostering closer alignment and collaboration. Supporting migrant engineers in New Zealand remained a core focus, delivered through webinar series, CPD programmes, and targeted training initiatives that addressed professional integration and emerging areas such as Artificial Intelligence and digital innovation.

Our reach expanded through hybrid events, enabling wider participation while strengthening engagement with the wider community. Collaborations with leading New Zealand universities helped promote engineering among high school students, inspiring the next generation. Another important milestone was the initiation of a constitutional review, the first in over a decade, ensuring the organisation remains relevant and future-ready. We also proudly celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the IESL New Zealand Chapter, marking a decade of growth and service.

Looking ahead to 2026, we aim to build on this momentum by organising networking events for newly migrated engineers, introducing family-oriented community activities, and continuing professional development programmes focusing on engineering ethics through webinars and hybrid platforms. We also plan to finalise the constitution and re-register the organisation under New Zealand's updated Companies Act. Additionally, we intend to collaborate with New Zealand universities, organisations, and professional individuals to support post-cyclone rebuilding efforts in Sri Lanka.

With renewed commitment, the IESL New Zealand Chapter looks forward to another impactful year ahead.

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