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TRIBUTE TO FOUNDER PRESIDENT



**FOUNDER PRESIDENT
DR. R. B. EKANAYAKE**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Mr. Damith Hettihewa
President - 2021, 2022

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IP3 Accreditation

The highlight of the year was achieving the world renowned International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) Accreditation. IP3 Accreditation key milestone after CSSL becoming a provisional signatory to the Seoul Accord, the global accreditation body for Computing Degrees.

Financial Performance

In terms of financial performance, we were able to complete one of the best years in the recent times beating the external predicaments. For the financial year ending 31st March 2022, CSSL recorded a net contribution after tax of Rs. 5.457 Million (182% growth) and Net Contribution before Interest Income of Rs. 4.339 Million (769% Growth). A total of Rs. 7.038 Million addition) was added (28 % growth of FDs to CSSL Fixed deposited making it the highest CSSL FDs in recent history. It is important to note that above mentioned financial performance was achieved in extremely disrupted business environment impacted by the Covid-19 Pandemic and political unrest in Q4.

Continuous Professional Development (CPD)

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) is a fundamental requirement of a professional body. CSSL accomplished the creating and adopting of the CPD framework in 2022. CPD platform development is in progress in 2022 and members are expected to maintain CPD records in the Digital CSSL platform in 2023.

40th Anniversary NITC Celebrations

2022 was a special year for the National Information Technology conference as CSSL celebrated the 40th Anniversary of NITC. External environment was severely uncertain. Nevertheless, the Executive Council and CSSL staff held firmly together, evaluated risks, took calculated risks which resulted in resounding success for NITC 2022. Digital Investment Summit is a CSSL initiative started to mark its 40th Anniversary. CSSL National ICT Awards and CSSL Colloquium was held along with NITC 2022. Chief Executive Officer of CSSL, committed Secretariat Staff and CSSL GenZ Community played a significant role to organize a successful 40th Anniversary celebrations of NITC.

Seoul Accord Degree Accreditation

In 2022, CSSL completed the Seoul Accord Degree Accreditation of 06 Computing Degrees of General Sir John Kotelawala Defense University.

GenZ Capacity Building

CSSL welcomed Sri Jayewardenepura University to the GenZ community in 2022. Another significant milestone of GenZ journey was delivery of the IoT Lab requested by Jaffna University GenZ community at the CSSL GenZ Chapter launch.

Fostering Ethics, Entrepreneurship and Digital Citizenship

CSSL actively promoted and fostered Professional Ethics amongst Students and Practitioners in 2022. CSSL President's online lessons on Professional Practice and Ethics was included in open.uom.lk. CSSL conducted Professional Ethics trainings amongst students and 03 practitioners sessions organized by ICTA for government servants. In 2022, CSSL initiated and partnered with BCS Sri Lanka Chapter to recognize the best Student Entrepreneurs at the National

Best Quality Software Awards (NBQSA) in order to promote and recognize student entrepreneurs. CSSL in partnership with Meta successfully conducted Digital Citizenship (We Think Digital) train the trainer program in 2022 for ITDLH instructors and Teacher Training Administrative Branch of Ministry of Education.

CSSI CIO List

CSSL initiated CSSL CIO List initiative in 2022 to identify a list of best CIOs in Sri Lanka. It is anticipated that the CSSL CIO List will add a new dimension and shape the ICT Professional landscape of Sri Lanka.

Digital CSSL

Digital CSSL was initiated in 2021 to have a blueprint for Digital Transformation of CSSL. CSSL being the professional body for Digital Professionals such a framework and a solid Digital platform was an absolute necessity. Digital CSSL blueprint's 2022 objectives were successfully completed with the platform being ready for the launch with Member Applications, Membership Onboarding process, Membership Renewals, CPD process and NITC Conference modules in 2022.

Data Protection Compliances

CSSL completed development of frameworks necessary for Data Privacy and Data Protection compliance amidst increasing importance of Data Protection practices following the enactment of Personal Data Protection Act No.9 of 2022. CSSL Privacy Policy, CSSL Password Policy, CSSL Data Encryption Policy, CSSL Data Retention Policy, CSSL Incident Response Policy were developed and adopted by the council making CSSL one of the most proactive professional in the country setting a good example to the industry

Vocal CSSL

CSSL was very vocal in professional and industry related matters and CSSL had a strong media presence in 2022 which helped to lift CSSL influence across relevant national Affairs.

Act to Incorporate CSSL

CSSL incorporation was a key priority for the year, however due to political turbulence, the cabinet approval for the Act scheduled for April 2022 did not go through as anticipated., Though the Draft Act and Cabinet Paper was ready to be presented to the cabinet of ministers, due to the political turmoil A second attempt for the year was initiated with the new Secretary Technology and the new management of ICTA. In November 2022 ICTA Chairman recommended the Incorporating CSSL through an ACT of Parliament by the Ministry of Technology, through a letter to Secretary Technology based on the advised of the State Minister of Technology. CSSL will continue to pursue the incorporation Act with the same vigor during this parliamentary term.

I extend my sincerer gratitude to the membership for placing the confidence on me to electing me for a 2nd tenure. I wish all the very best for the incoming President and Executive Council for a productive year ahead.

Damith Hettihewa

President

OUR OBJECTS

- To provide a professional organization for professionals of information technology
- To promote and develop the science of information and communication technology
- To foster ICT research, innovations and entrepreneurship
- Exchange of information and ideas
- Uplift standards of ICT Education and Training
- To encourage, increase, disseminate and promote knowledge, education and training

OUR AFFILIATIONS



Apex ICT professional's association, Established in 1976

Member of International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) which was established in 1960 under the auspices of UN (UNESCO), and links more than 50 national and international IT Professional societies



Member of South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation (SEARCC), a confederation of IT and technology professional associations in Asia & Pacific Region



Provisional signatory of Seoul Accord, which is an internationally acclaimed degree accreditation program. CSSL Accreditation Board endorsed by UGC



CSSL is an accredited professional body by International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3). CSSL's Professional Member Scheme and Associate Member Scheme have been examined and are accredited as meeting the standards set down by (IP3).



THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA



VISION

To be the most valued Professional Society in Sri Lanka



MISSION

Value Creator: to add value for ICT professionals by facilitating diverse initiatives for the development of their professional career and personal growth

ICT Frontier: to enable our members to contribute to the development and leadership of Sri Lanka's ICT industry

Community's Voice: to raise the voice for the ICT community



VALUES

Collaboration : We encourage collaboration among our stakeholders

Diversity : We promote diversity

Respect : We honor the rights and beliefs of individuals

Excellence: We focus on results

Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of National IT Conference

National IT Conference 2022



NITC
2022

Digitally
Enriching Lives

Celebrating 40th Anniversary

Conference • Colloquium • Investment Summit

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL



Seated from L to R:

**Commo. Janaka Gunaseela (Asst. Secretary) Dr. Parakum Pathirana (Secretary), Mr. Damith Hettihewa (President),
Dr. Ajantha Athukorale (Vice President), Mr. Heshan Karunaratne (Treasurer)**

Standing from L to R:

**S. Shageevan (Council Member), Mr. Udesh Seneviratne (Council Member), Dr. Prasad Samarasinghe (Council Member),
Mr. Indika De Zoysa (Publication Secretary), Mr. Rasantha Hettithantrige (Asst. Treasurer), Dr. Adeesha Wijayasiri (Student
Counsellor), Prof. Chandimal Jayawardena (Council Member)**



Damith Hettihewa

President

Damith Hettihewa holds a BSc (Eng) in Electronics and Telecommunication from University of Moratuwa and MBA from University of Hull (UK). He currently serves as the Managing Director of Nimbus Cloud Lanka Ltd. Damith began his engineering career as a Systems Engineer at Sampath Bank before moving into diverse public and private sector institutions. He has served as a member of the Presidential Task Force on IT and the Presidential Steering Committee for Knowledge Hub initiative. He also served as the Chief Executive Officer and a Board Member of the Information and Communication Technology Agency (ICTA) of Sri Lanka. He currently serves on the board of International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) and was elected as the Chairman of the Governing Council of United Nations Social Economic and Commission's APAC Centre for ICT Development (UNESCAP/APCICT) in 2018. He was adjudged the ICT Leader of the year by IPM in 2017.



Dr. Ajantha Athukorala

Vice President

Ajantha Atukorale received his B.Sc. Degree with first-class honors in Computer Science from the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, in 1995. He obtained his Ph.D. degree in 2002 from the University of Queensland, Australia, in the area of Neural Pattern Recognition. Currently, Dr. Atukorale is a Senior Lecturer and Director at the University of Colombo School of Computing (UCSC) and conducts lectures for undergraduate and postgraduate programs. His research interests include Neural Networks, Pattern Recognition, Machine Learning, Data Analytics, Computer Networks, and Virtualization. He is a member of the IEEE and a Council member of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) since 2013/2014 and is currently the Vice President of the CSSL. Dr. Atukorale is the project coordinator for the Seoul Accord Degree Accreditation program of the CSSL and the CSSL Awards for the year 2021. He represents CSSL at the Standing Committee on Computing and the Standing Committee on Technology of the University Grants Commission (UGC).



Dr. Parakum Pathirana

Secretary

Apart from his PhD, Parakum holds a M.Sc. in Internet Engineering from the University of East London, United Kingdom and a number of other InfoSec credentials. He is currently working as the Chief Operating Officer of LOLC Technology Services Ltd. and Chief Information Security Officer of the LOLC Group. He is a Past President of the Sri Lankan ISACA chapter and the Secretary of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka. A founding member of the local ISC2 chapter, Parakum is also a co-founder of "ipay.lk", a start-up focusing on simplifying payments. Parakum's current work includes balancing security needs with the organization's strategic business plan, identifying risk factors, and determining solutions to both. Other activities include development of security policies & procedures and plan & test responses to security breaches, including the possibility for discussion of the event with customers, partners, or the general public. Parakum also functions as a Principle Consultant for LOLC Technologies Ltd, provide.



Heshan Karunaratne

Treasurer

Heshan Karunaratne, serves as the treasurer of the CSSL and has held several posts prior such as Assistant Secretary, Student Councilor and Conference Chair of NITC 2020. Currently he is the Director, Business Development at Codegen International. Before that he has served as the General Manager of The Projects Corporation & was a Senior Consultant of Ezy Corporation. He commenced his career at hSenid Software International as a business analyst and also was the CEO of Observerjobs (Pvt) Ltd, a subsidiary of Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited and was awarded the youngest print media CEO. He holds a BSc (IT) from the Faculty of IT from the University of Moratuwa Sri Lanka and a MBA from Postgraduate Institute of Management, University of Sri Jayawardenapura.



Commodore Janaka Gunaseela

Asst. Secretary

Commodore Janaka Ushan Gunaseela USP, PSC., is a meritorious military officer of the Sri Lanka Navy, whose impressive career spans nearly 3 decades of invaluable service to the nation, holding number of significant positions during the war and post-war periods. A highly qualified Chartered Engineer by profession, with a Bachelors in “Electrical & Electronics Engineering” as well as a Masters in “Electronics & Telecom Engineering” from prestigious University of Motratuwa along with chartered accreditations CEng. MIET & CEng.MIESL, Officer Gunaseela is currently the Director of Electronics & Telecommunications of the Sri Lanka Navy. He won the prestigious “Sword of Honour” from the Naval & Maritime Academy of Sri Lanka. He was also awarded the trophy for the best student officer in “International Relations” for his outstanding performance at the Kotelawala Defense University Sri Lanka Commodore Janaka served as the Dean of the faculty of Computing and of General Sir John Kotelawala University Sri Lanka.



Rasantha Hettithathrige

Asst Treasurer

Communications Services Provider. He has a total of 29 years of experience in Mobile Industry to date. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering from University of Moratuwa, member of the IEEE, IET (UK) and Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL). He was instrumental in trialling and rolling out Mobile Communication technologies from 3.5G, 4G, 4.5G and 5G for Mobitel, recording few FIRSTS in the South Asian Region. He serves as a permanent member of the SL-TMOBITEL’S “Group Technical Sub-Committee”. From 2020 onwards Rasantha serves as an Executive Committee Member and Assistant Treasurer of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) and responsible for driving Special Interest Groups under the CSSL umbrella in subjects such as IOT, Industry 4.0 etc. He has a special interest in areas such as Innovation & Disruption, leadership and continue to engage in executive education at prestigious institutions such as INSEAD & Stanford.



Indika De Soyza
Publication Secretary

Indika De Zoysa is a seasoned, vibrant and result oriented professional with 27 years of rich experience covering Digital, ICT solution's, marketing, innovation, development, integration and market development with prestigious organizations. Indika is the Vice President at Huawei Technologies Lanka Co (Pvt) Ltd. Prior to this role Indika was the Senior Consultant at ICT Agency of Sri Lanka. Indika worked at Intel Corporation as the country Business Manager. Currently, Indika serves as a member of the Functional Committee on General Education of the Presidential Task Force and also a member of the Standing Committee on Accreditation & Quality Assurance for Higher education Sector in Sri Lanka. Furthermore, Indika is the Vice Chairman of ICT skills council of Sri Lanka, Vice Chairman of (FITIS) - Federation of Information Technology Industry Sri Lanka and a Council member of the Computer society of Sri Lanka. Indika is qualified in Marketing from the Chartered Institute of Marketing and MBA from SMC University - Switzerland. Currently Indika is reading for Doctor of Business Administration in university of Kelaniya.



S. Sachithanandan
Council Member

Mr. Shageevan Sachithanandan is a business automation expert and a top-rated consultant. He is currently building and managing the in-house ERP of ESOFT Metro Campus along with his team of talented IT professionals. Mr. Shageevan is also a BCS graduate, Microsoft Certified Enterprise Administrator and currently reading for Project Management Professional certification among others. He has completed more than 80 business automation projects in various countries across digital marketing, e-commerce, telecommunications, travel, education, apparel, HR, and automotive industries. He is currently an Executive Council Member of Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) and actively consults businesses in Sri Lanka, USA, UK, Australia, and Bahrain. He presently serves at ESOFT in the capacity of the Chief Information Officer.



Dr. Prasad Samarasinghe
Council Member

Dr Samarasinghe is the Managing Director of Lanka Bell (Pvt) Ltd and also the Managing Director of Telecom Frontier (Pvt) Ltd and Bell Solutions (Pvt) Ltd. He is a Doctor of Philosophy in Telecommunications - Australian National University, Canberra, Australia and holds a Master of Engineering Degree from University of Moratuwa. He is a recipient of First Class Honours of B.Sc (Eng) in Electronics & Telecommunications - University of Moratuwa. Dr. Samarasinghe is a Licentiate of Part I & Part II of Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, holding the best results in Financial Accounting, Business Mathematics, Statistics and Data Processing in the year 1991. Dr. Samarasinghe served as the Head of IT of Commercial Bank of Ceylon & Deputy General Manager (ICT) of Sri Lanka Insurance. Dr Samarasinghe had been a Director - E-Channelling (Pvt) Ltd and became the Chief Operating Officer (support services) of Sri Lanka Insurance. He was the Managing Director of Bellvantage (Pvt) Ltd from September 2008 to December 2011.



Dr. Adeesha Wijayasiri
Council Member

Dr. Adeesha Wijayasiri is a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka. He received his Ph.D. in Computer Engineering from the Department of Computer and Information Science and Engineering at the University of Florida, USA, in 2018 and MSc in Computer Engineering from the University of Florida in 2016. He obtained the B.Sc. Engineering degree with a first class honours from the University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, in 2013. He is an active researcher in the areas of parallel programming, high performance computing, image processing and intelligent transportation systems. He also serves as a consultant for Curriculum development related to Computing degree programs in both state and private sectors and works as a panel member in Institutional Review committees for non-state higher education institutes.



Mr. Udesh I. W. Seneviratne
Council Member

Udesh I W Seneviratna, a Special Grade Officer of Sri Lanka Administrative Service (SLAS), is currently working as the Additional Director General (Policy & Development) of the Department of Information Technology Management of the General Treasury and also act as the Chief Executive Officer of the National Agency for Public Private Partnership (NAPPP) of Sri Lanka. Immediately prior to this, he has served as the Senior Assistant Secretary at the Prime Minister's Office and Senior Assistant Secretary to the President. Udesh also held various positions in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs including a three-year tenure at the Consulate General of Sri Lanka in Frankfurt am Main, Germany. Udesh has studied in Royal College, Colombo 07 and obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Physical Sciences from University of Colombo. His academic qualifications further include Post Graduate Diplomas in the fields of International Relations, Economics and Public Management and also a Master's Degree in Management and Information Sciences with Summa cum Laude from Japan.



Prof. Chandimal Jayawardene

Professor Chandimal Jayawardena is an Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering graduate from the University of Moratuwa and holds a PhD from the Saga University, Japan. His research areas include Robotics, Intelligent Systems, and Internet of Things. He started his career as an engineer and has worked for Sri Lankan Airlines and Sri Lanka Telecom and later moved to the academia. As an academic and a researcher, he has worked for Unitec Institute of Technology and University of Auckland, New Zealand. Currently, he is the Pro-Vice Chancellor (Computing) of SLIIT. Prof. Chandimal is a Chartered Engineer, a Member of Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka, a Member of Computer Society of Sri Lanka, a Member of Institute of Engineering and Technology, a Senior member of Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, a Chartered Information Technology Professional, and a Fellow of the British Computer Society.



**CSSL ACHIEVED IP3
ACCREDITATION IN
2022**

CSSL achieved the historic milestone of IP3 Accreditation

CSSL Achieved a historic milestone of the world renowned International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) Accreditation in 2022. IP3 Accreditation is a key milestone of CSSL Journey since its inception in 1976. IP3 Accreditation is the highest level achievement in its endeavor to lift the standards as the apex body for ICT Professionals in Sri Lanka after CSSL becoming a provisional signatory to the Seoul Accord in 2018, the global accreditation body for Computing Degrees.

IP3 is a partnership to promote professionalism in the ICT profession equal to the older and longer established professions. The partnership works to define international standards and create a global infrastructure that will encourage and support the development of both practitioners and employer organizations in the developed and developing world. It does this through the creation of a worldwide set of professional certification schemes recognized as the hallmark of true ICT professionalism, delivered through independent national member societies and supported by development frameworks for both individuals and organizations.

IP3 Accreditation was a key priority of CSSL's 2021/2022 program and it is significant recognition of CSSL's commitment to fostering Professionalism and uplifting the professional standards amongst ICT practitioners in Sri Lanka. CSSL is grateful to IP3 Board for the efficient Accreditation process which helped CSSL to achieve this historic milestone within the target timeline.

Message From IFIFP President



Congratulations to the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) on the accreditation by IP3 www.ipthree.org of its ICT professional certification scheme and becoming the first country in South Asia to be accredited. We are proud of the hard work and dedication of CSSL and its members that have made this possible.

The rapid adoption and pervasive use of digital and emerging technologies in many diverse areas of our personal and business activities-from transport, education, healthcare, telecommunication through to critical infrastructure, logistics, defence, entertainment and agriculture-have accentuated the importance and prominence of ICT skills and knowledge.

ICT professionals understand better than most in relation to the trends and trajectories of emergent technologies and their benefits on the economic, and its potential impacts on the safety and social constructs of the workplace and society. We are well placed to address some of the risks and challenges during the design and lifecycle of these emergent technologies, including AI-enabled systems.

It seems like only yesterday, when I wrote to congratulate Damith Hettihewa in 2021, after reading in <https://www.ft.lk/it-telecom-tech/CSSL-President-calls-for-professional-recognition-for-ICT-workforce/50-712974> of his election as the new President of CSSL. In his Presidential message, Damith advocated for professional recognition for the Sri Lankan ICT workforce. The ensuing dialogue rekindled CSSL's ICT professionalism journey with IP3 since the involvement of former CSSL President Yasas Abeywickrama.

Congratulations on reaching this important milestone! CSSL and its members have been instrumental in helping the Sri Lankan government, industry and community understand the various benefits and drawbacks of technology. CSSL will no doubt continue to help to shape the future of the country for the better.

We wish CSSL all the best as you continue to grow and make a lasting impact in Sri Lanka and beyond!

Anthony Wong
IFIP President

Message From IP3 Chair



After an online assessment by a team of assessors appointed by the IP3 Standards and Accreditation Committee, Computer Society Sri Lanka (CSSL) was recommended for full accreditation of their Professional Member (MCSSL) and Associate Member (AMCSSL) schemes for a five-year period from 5 December 2022. This was unanimously approved by the IP3 board. I am pleased and very proud of CSSL for this achievement, and applaud the people involved for their single-mindedness in preparing for this over a relatively short period. This accreditation has increased the IP3 footprint across the globe, and I believe will increase the value proposition for current and new members. On behalf of the IP3 board, I congratulate CSSL on this accomplishment.



SEOUL ACCORD ACCREDITATION

Seoul Accord Accreditation

Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) recently conducted an awareness session on the Seoul Accord Computing Degree Accreditation process for Universities and Higher Educational Institutes offering computing and IT degrees. Several universities including the University of Moratuwa and the University of Sri Jayewardenepura who are planning to achieve Seoul Accord accreditation participated in the session.

Chairman of Computer Society of Sri Lanka Accreditation Board (CSSLAB) Prof. Gihan Dias, Consultant of CSSLAB Prof. Indra Dayawansa, President of CSSL Mr. Damith Hettihewa, Project Chair of CSSL Accreditation Program and Vice President of CSSL Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Secretary to the CSSLAB and CSSL Past President Mr. Chisantha Silva participated as speakers of the event. They outlined the benefits and provided comprehensive details of the accreditation process for a globally recognized accredited Computer and IT degree program.



KDU Accreditation Completion

In 2022, three (3) degree programs offered by the Faculty of Computing at the General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University (KDU) were accepted for full accreditation for a period of five (5) years by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) on the recommendation of the CSSL Accreditation Board (CSSLAB), a provisional member of the Seoul Accord.

- Bachelor of Science specializing in Computer Science - B.Sc. Hons (Computer Science)
- Bachelor of Science specializing in Information Technology - B.Sc. Hons (Information Technology)

- Bachelor of Science specializing in Information Systems - B.Sc. Hons (Information Systems)

Professor Jenny Edwards and Professor Paul Strooper participated in the Accreditation evaluation process representing the Seoul Accord. Mr. Chandana Weerasinghe, Mr. Chisantha Silva, Mr. Prabath Wickramaratne, Prof. Janaka I. Wijayanayake, Prof. Janaka I. Wijayanayake, Prof. V.S.D. Jayasena of CSSLAB participated in the evaluation.





HONORING OUR TORCHBEARERS

Past President Portrait Unveiling

Past President's Portrait Unveiling Ceremony was held on 7th Oct 2022. Portraits of Past President Dr. Yasas Vishuddhi Abeywickrama (2017 and 2018) and Mr. Prabhath Wickramaratne were unveiled. Past President Mr. Krishantha De Silva participated as the Chief Guest.



Past President's Honors Board

A new Past President Honors Board Unveiling Ceremony was held on 7th Oct 2022. Past President Mr. Yasa Karunaratne , Fellow Member Mrs. Nayani Fernando, Mr. Krisantha De Silva, President Damith Hettihewa and Vice President Dr. Ajantha Atukorale unveiled the Past President Honors Board.

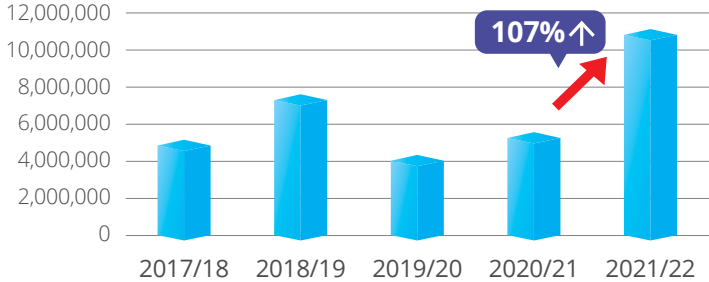




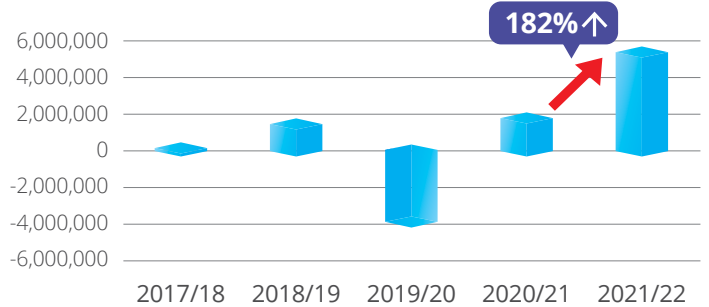
CSSL CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENTS

Financial Highlights 2021/22

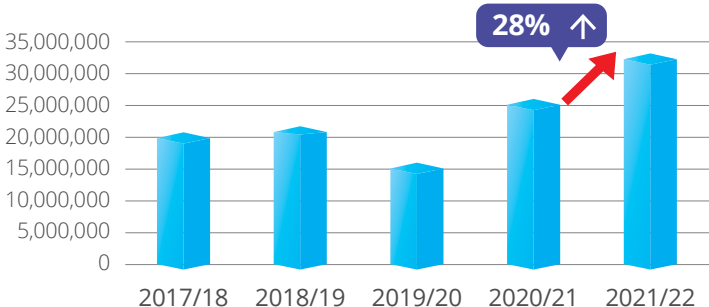
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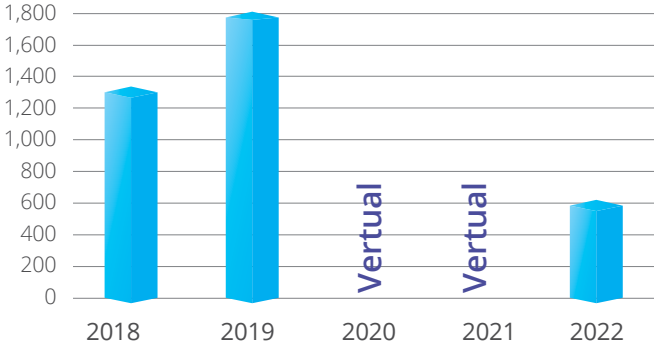


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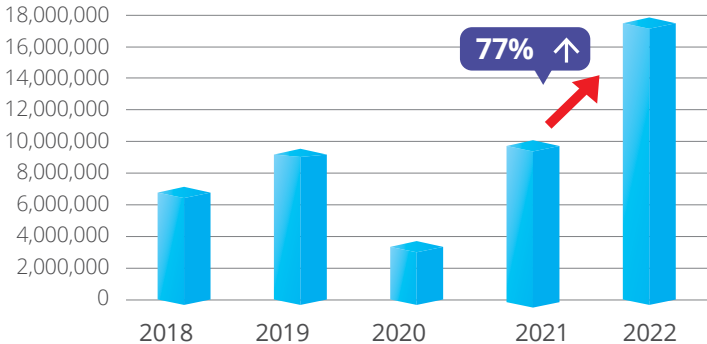


Highlights 2022

NITC Participant Count



Sponsorship Income



Strategy Formulation

Strategy Workshop

CSSL Annual Strategy workshop was held on 22 January 2022 at Jetwing Blue Hotel Negombo. The council members of the computer Society of Sri Lanka and the Ex-co member Mr. Sajith Sameera also participated in this event.



Digital CSSL

Digital CSSL Journey Started in January 2021 as key strategic initiative of the 3 Year business plan formulated by CSSL Executive Council on 20th February 2021 at the Pegasus Reef Hotel. Digital CSSL was a Digital Transformation blueprint to ensure CSSL practice what it preaches and roll out a roll model to provide member services digitally. Blue Print included the following modules. Member Enrolment, Member Renewals, CPD Module, Conference Module, Executive Council and Board Meetings Module, IT Job Bank, Corporate Member Module, CSSL Mobile App.

In 2022, Member Enrollment, Member Renewal, CPD Module were completed in 2022. CSSL anticipate to complete the remaining modules in 2023. Former Council Mr Sajith Sameera and OLAK technologies has been entrusted by the CSSL executive council for the implementation of Digital CSSL framework.

New IP3 accreditation compliance frameworks

CSSL developed following frameworks as part of IP3 Accreditation compliance.

- Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Framework
- CSSL Complaints handling Procedure



Data Protection Act No 9 of 2022 and GDPR Compliances

CSSL completed development of frameworks necessary for Data Privacy and Data Protection compliance amidst increasing importance of Data Protection practices following the enactment of Personal Data Protection Act No. 9 of 2022. Following frameworks were developed and adopted by the council making CSSL one of the most proactive professionals in the country setting a good example to the industry.

- CSSL Privacy Policy
- CSSL Password Policy
- CSSL Data Encryption Policy
- CSSL Document Retention Policy
- CSSL Access Control Policy
- CSSL Incident Response Policy



Secretariat Modernization- Design By reputable Architect Murad Ismail & MICD Associates



Architect Murad Ismail

As part of the CSSL Business Plan, Secretariat Modernisation was identified as a timely requirement. in 2022. Prominent and reputable Architect who was entrusted by the government to design 5 Technology Parks, Architect Murad Ismail and MICD Associates came forward to provide the Secretariat Modernisation interior design at no cost. Sketches provided by Architects are shared for members perusal. This designed will be done in order to complete the project in phases based on funds availability.





PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CSSL CIO List

In 2022, The Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) launched a new initiative to identify a list of the best CIOs in Sri Lanka. It is anticipated that the CSSL CIO list will add a new dimension and shape the ICT Professional landscape of Sri Lanka.

CSSL CIO List initiative was launched through a press conference held at the CSSL Secretrit on 2nd December 2022 and wide publicity was received through Print and Electronics Media for the CSSL CIO List.

This group of top intellectuals deliberated extensively and came up with a list of 12 characteristics to evaluate the

top CIOs in the country. CSSL CIO Model which comprises 12 elements namely Strategic IT Acumen, Transformation Management, Business Mindset, Digital Advocate, Operational Excellence, Performance Orientation, Financial Discipline, Risk Management, Talent Management, Leadership and Professional Excellence, Global Exposure, Legal Compliance will serve as the foundation framework for selecting the top CIOs in the country. This model will also be evaluated against industry practices and evolve further while tracking industry dynamics. As a result, this will be kept on the CSSL agenda.



Fostering Professional Ethics

Open.UOM.lk

CSSL President was invited as the resource person for Professional Practice and Ethics Lesson of Full stack developer course of Open.UOM.lk on line learning platform



ICTA's NextGen Gov Initiative

CSSL President used his office to foster and promote professional ethics in 2022. conducted 03 Professional Ethics workshops for government officials under ICTA's NextGenGov initiative.



Ethics and Dilemmas

- Situations in which two or more moral obligations, come into conflict.
- When you have a good understanding on Professional Ethics, you will be better prepared to deal with such dilemmas.
- A key objective of this lesson is to equip you with knowledge to deal with such dilemmas that you will have to face in your career.





**MEMBER
HIGHLIGHTS OF 2022**

CSSL President Appointed to IP3 Board



The International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) has appointed Computer Society of Sri Lanka President Damith Hettihewa as a board member of the globally acclaimed accreditation body for ICT professional organizations. The International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) is an activity of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) focused on professionalism of ICT practitioners. IFIP comprises approximately 60 member associations around the world, concerned with the role of information and communications technology (ICT) in society and the sharing of knowledge to enhance the application of ICT for the benefit of the global community. IFIP is a non-government, non-profit umbrella organization for national societies working in the field of information processing. It was established in 1960 under the auspices of UNESCO.

CSSL Vice President Appointed as the Director of UCSC



Dr. Ajantha Atukorale has been named the fifth director of the prestigious University of Colombo School of Computing (UCSC). Professor K. P Hewagamage, a CSSL member, who has held the position for the past six years, is succeeded by Dr Ajantha Atukorale. Professor V. K. Samaranyake founded UCSC in 2002, and it has made a substantial contribution to producing outstanding ICT graduates who have excelled both locally and internationally.

Dr. Ajantha Atukorale is a major industry contributor who has served on the executive council of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) since 2014, holding several posts before being elected as Vice President in 2021. Dr. Ajantha Atukorale is a member of the CSSL Accreditation Board (CSSLAB) and the coordinator of the CSSL degree accreditation and Seoul Accord accreditation processes.

CSSL President Chief Guest at SLIIT Convocation

CSSL President was invited as the Chief Guest of 28th Convocation of Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology and President CSSL delivered Convocation Address and gave away special awards of the convocation ceremony. Chancellor Professor Lakshman Rathnayake, Vice Chancellor Prof Lalith Gamage graced the occasion.





IT IS A BEGINNING OF A NEW JOURNEY



Mr. Damith Hettihewa on 15th December 2022 (Screenshot)

I think a new generation has called upon you to make a difference. Find a new destiny for our nation. Re-discover ourselves. It is in the hands of us, you can change the fate of our country and leverage the Fourth Industrial Revolution to create a wealthy Sri Lanka.

Address by Chief Guest
Mr. Damith Hettihewa
 PRESIDENT OF COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA &
 MANAGING DIRECTOR OF NUMBUS CLOUD LTD

at the



CONVOCATION 2022

Chancellor, Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology, Mr. Lakshman Rathnayake, Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Lalith Gamage, and other dignitaries were present at the ceremony. The CSSL President, Mr. Damith Hettihewa, delivered the convocation address and presented special awards to the graduates.

Mr. Damith Hettihewa, President of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka and Managing Director of Numbus Cloud Ltd, delivered the convocation address at the SLIIT 28th Convocation. He emphasized the importance of the Fourth Industrial Revolution and the need for a new generation to take ownership of the nation's future.



The convocation ceremony was held at the SLIIT Auditorium, Colombo. It was a significant event for the institution, marking the 28th anniversary of its establishment.

The CSSL President's address was well-received by the graduates and the audience. His message of hope and vision for the future of Sri Lanka resonated with everyone present.

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CSSL Member Appointed SLTMobitel CEO

CSSL longstanding Member and ICT Professional Mr. Janaka Abeysinghe being appointed as the CEO of SLT is a great endorsement of the need for more ICT professionals in leadership positions amidst the rapid digital transformation in all sectors” Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) President Damith Hettihewa tweeted congratulating it’s eminent member Mr. Janaka Abeysinghe on his high post appointment.

Sri Lanka Telecom PLC announced the appointment of Janaka Abeysinghe as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) with effect from February 1, 2022.

Janaka Abeysinghe is an experienced ICT Professional and eminent member of Computer Society of Sri Lanka who has outstanding academic achievements. He has a BSc (Eng.) degree with First Class honors in Electronic and Telecommunications Engineering from University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka and holds a Master’s Degree in Electrical & Computer Engineering from the University of Kansas, USA.



Janaka Abeysinghe at NITC 2014

Retirement of Mr. Niel Gunadasa



Mr. Niel Gunadasa who has contributed immensely to ICT Education as the Director Education of ICT Branch of Ministry of Education, retired from his distinguished public service careers as the Additional Secretary of Ministry of Education. Amongst Mr. Gunadasa's significant contributions include e-Thaksalawa e-learning platform, Digital Education policy, National Schools Software Competition, Mahindodaya IT labs to name a few. Mr. Gunadasa served in the CSSL Executive Council in 2015 CSSL pays gratitude for the yeoman service to ICT Education and extended best wishes for future endeavors.

During his last designation, he managed to introduce the following initiatives in addition to all of the above.

- National Streaming Hub at Ministry of Education for streaming e-contents to the TV channels
- Setting up of e-thaksalawa studios at Provinces to implement e-contents development environment in the Provinces
- Introduce e-studio management system for those studios
- Renovate all CRCs and named as Information Technology & Distance Learning Hubs (ITDLHs)
- Introduced online course management system for ITDLHs
- Introduced National Education Management Information System (NEMIS) to handle and integrate the data borne in General Education
- Call center to be established in the ministry to handle the IT and Digital Education matters including cyber security issues
- Developed seven modules to train all teachers on Digital Education skills
- Enhance Nenas TV up to eight dedicated channels for Education
- Managed to submit the Digital Education Policy to the cabinet
- Introduced Freelancer program through ITDLH with ICTA
- Obtained budgetary allocation worth of Rs. 120 million officially from the treasury first time of the history for Digital infrastructure maintenance for 2023.
- Signed MoU with UNIVOTEC to provide IT degrees for the teachers who teach ICT without a degree. More than 250 teachers were obtained the IT degree through that.



CAPACITY BUILDING

We Think Digital

CSSL in partnership with Meta to foster Digital Citizenship amongst the country amidst higher proliferation of digital adaption due the pandemic. CSSL successful complete Conducted 12 weeks Digital Citizenship Train the Trainer programs for Ministry of Education Teacher Training Administrative Branch and ITDLH trainers of Ministry of Education. CSSL is grateful to Meta, Trainer Mr Sajith Sameera and MOE officials who enabled the training amidst challenging environment in the country including series of teacher trade unions Actions.



CSSL partners UOM Full Stack Development Course. Open UOM LK

The University of Moratuwa, on 22.02.222 launched the online program 'Trainee - Full Stack Developer' an innovative education initiative to create a new generation of IT professionals who are in high demand. This ground breaking initiatives were announced at a ceremony organized by the Alumni Association of the University of Moratuwa and attended by Secretary to the Ministry of Education Prof. Kapila Perera, Secretary to the Ministry of Technology Jayantha De Silva, Sri Lanka Information Technology Institute Chairman Oshada Senanayake, University of Moratuwa Vice-Chancellor Prof. Niranjan Gunawardena, Chairman of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka Damith Hettihewa and the DP Education co-founder and business leader Dhammika Perera.

With the objective of active contribution to bridging the capacity gap in the ICT Industry. CSSL partner with Open Distance Learning Centre of University of Moratuwa and DP education for this ground breaking initiative to develop full stack development course for which more than 150,000 students enrolled. Fostering Ethics

The 'Trainee - Full Stack Developer' program is endorsed by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka and is conducted by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning (CODL) of the University of Moratuwa. This course is recommended for GCE O/L and GCE A/L students and any IT enthusiast in the country.

**PANEL DISCUSSION ON
INCLUSIVE ONLINE
EDUCATION**

PANELISTS

Prof. Malik Ranasinghe Moderator / Former Vice Chancellor UoM	Prof. Kapila Perera Secretary Ministry of Education	Jayantha De Silva Secretary Ministry of Technology	Dhammika Perera Co-founder DP Education Chairman Vallibel One Group
Supun Weerasinghe Director / Group CEO Dialog Axiata PLC	Oshadha Senannayake Chairman ICTA Sri Lanka	Damith Hettihewa President CSSL	Hasith Yaggahawita CTO 99x



- **First and only free online software engineering course introduced by a joint initiative by University of Moratuwa, DP Education and Computer Society of Sri Lanka**
- **Course ideal for GCE O/L and A/L students and any IT enthusiast**

Tech Talks

CSSL Conducted quarterly Tech Talks in 2022 amidst political and economic unrest that prevail in the country under the topics

- Enriching Lives Beyond 4.0
- Secure Access Service Edge
- MITRE ATT&CK Framework
- SOC Modernisation

CSSSL TECH TALK
ENRICHING LIVES BEYOND 4.0
50th Anniversary WTC Launch Reprise

Speaker:
Prof. Swagfried Ziem
 Director - International Centre and Leibniz School, University of Applied Sciences, Emden/Leer, Germany

Date: 17th February 2022
Time: 8:00 pm onwards

Hybrid Event
 On-site Registration and on Zoom

Register using the provided link: <https://forms.gle/3W6arG22W1G2M1PQ2LNA>

By email to: infocsssl@csssl.lk or events@csssl.lk
 or telephone number: 011 2592762

Partners: 45, CSSSL, SRI LANKA TELECOM, Abans, QUT, BITTS, ISACA

CSSSL TECH TALK
SASE
Secure Access Service Edge

Speaker:
Mr. Sudip Banerjee
 Senior Director - Cybersecurity Strategy for Risk, Privacy and Legal at Zscaler

Date: 18th November 2021
Time: 6:30 pm onwards

Register using the provided link: <https://forms.gle/3W6arG22W1G2M1PQ2LNA>

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CSSSL TECH TALK
MITRE ATT&CK FRAMEWORK: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW
Virtual Meeting

Speaker:
Mr. Haran Mamasakaran
 Lead - Cyber Business Engineer, Oracle Access PLC

Date: 24th May 2021
Time: 5:00 pm onwards

Register using the provided link: <https://forms.gle/3W6arG22W1G2M1PQ2LNA>

By email to: infocsssl@csssl.lk or events@csssl.lk
 or telephone number: 011 2592762

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SOC Modernization

A presentation followed by a panel discussion

24th November 2022
 4pm to 5pm

CSSSL TECH TALK
 By
Aruna Malalsena

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A senior solution architect with over 22 years of professional experience in the cybersecurity, enterprise networks, and telecom. Currently the CISO of NCINGA group of companies, building their enterprise solutions and cybersecurity business across multiple geographies. Also participates on several advisory boards of the group. A graduate from university of Colombo, and a senior CCIE with two CCIE badges, on Enterprise and Cybersecurity tracks. Also a certified PMP and a Certified Information Security Manager (ISACA member).

A project by
Computer society of Sri Lanka
 275/75, Prof. Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha
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COLOMBO SRI LANKA

UI/UX

CSSL in partnership with former executive council Member and founder of CrowdLeard Pvt Ltd Mr. Udana Wickramasinghe initiated a 06 Month UI/UX Developer training course in order to build UI/UX skills to fulfill the capacity gap in the Sri Lankan ICT industry to achieve the USD 3 Billion ICT exports.



**BECOME A
CSSL CERTIFIED
UI/UX DEVELOPER**

Duration
06 Month **LKR 40,000**

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Start Date
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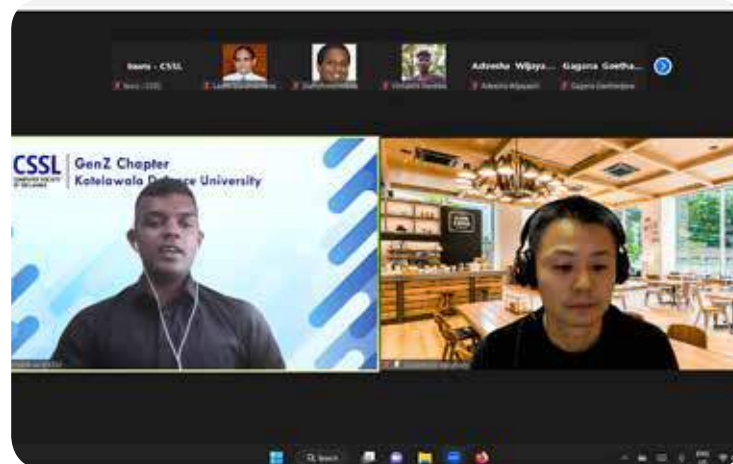
GenZ

University of Sri Jayawardenepura joins as the 3rd CSSL GenZ Chapter

Continuing the CSSL GenZ Journey started in 2021, in 2022 University of Sri Jayawardenepura (USJ) got on board as the 3rd University to join the CSSL GenZ Community. Prof Laisth Gunwardene was instrumental in creating the GenZ Chapter at USJ.

The launch and welcome ceremony was held with the presence of GenZ Community, Chapter patrons of Sir John Kotalawela Defense University, University of Jaffna, CSSL Officials and CSSL Secretariat Staff.

Dr. Kazutoshi Sasahara , Associate Professor, Tokyo Institute of Technology Tokyo Japan delivered the Keynote Address on the Topic" Online Echo Chambers". CSSL President Damith Hettihewa, CSSL Ex-co member and Student Counsellor DR. Adeesha Wijayasiri, Chapter Presidents Gagana Abeyrathna (KDU GenZ Chapter) and Vimukthi (UOJ GenZ Chapter) welcomed USJ GenZ chapter to CSSL GenZ Community



IoT Lab for University Jaffna

University of Jaffna received an IoT Lab from Dialog Axiata PLC as an outcome of CSSL GenZ Chapter launch. It is heartening to see outcomes of this magnitude thorough CSSL GenZ chapter initiative. Dialog-UOJ IoT Innovation Laboratory is a fantastic outcome as a result of an opportunity created for Jaffna University CSSL GenZ Chapter members to interact with all telco CEOs at the northern digital roadshow in 2021. CSSL is grateful for ICTA and TRCSL for facilitating such at interaction for University of Jaffna students and Dialog Axiata for coming forward to invest in a wonderful IoT research facility to benefit the northern youth.



4th CSSL GenZ Forum

4th CSSL GenZ Forum titled “Breaking in to Cyber Security” was held on 24th Marc 2022. Founder and CEO of Scybers and former Virtusa Global CIO Mr. Madu Rathnayake was the resource person. GenZ community of University of Jaffna and KDU attended the 4th GenZ forum.



NITC 40th Anniversary Series

Virtual Meeting

4th CSSL GenZ FORUM

Breaking in to Cybersecurity

Keynote Speaker : **Mr. Madu Rathnayake**
Co-Founder & Chairman Scybers - a global cybersecurity advisory & managed services company.

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Exhibitors: SLTMOBITEL, Abans, LANKA SIBEL, CSSL

Industry Partner: ISACA

Registered by: CSSL

Date : 24th March 2022
Time : 6.00 P.M. onwards

Google Summer of Code Awareness

CSSL on 14th March 2022 conducted an awareness session on Google Summer of Code for computing students of all universities with the objective of getting more universities in Sri Lanka to participate in Google Summer of Competition. Dr Sunil Rathnayake conducted the awareness session. Moderator Mr Visaka Nanayakkara educated all university patrons on the tremendous success of University of Moratuwa on Google Summer of Code Success and invited all universities participate in the global competition to repeat University of Moratuwa Success in order to attract global attention for Sri Lankan talents.



NITC 40th Anniversary Series

Lets fly Sri Lanka flag high at Google Summer of Code (GSoc) 2022

CSSL Awareness Session on GSoc for all University Students

Mentored by **Ms. Vishaka Nanayakkara**
Senior Lecturer at Department of Computer Science and Engineering/ University of Moratuwa

Conducted by **Dr. Sunimal Rathnayake**
Senior Lecturer at Department of Computer Science and Engineering/ University of Moratuwa

Zoom

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Exhibitors: SLTMOBITEL, Abans, LANKA SIBEL

Registered by: CSSL

Date : 14th March 2022
Time : 5.00 PM onwards

Chapter Brainstorming

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KDU GenZ Events

Tech Drive

CSSL GenZ Student Chapter of KDU held an event for Advanced Level Students on 16th September 2021, with the goal of expanding their knowledge on the ICT subject as well as the ICT industry. The webinar was conducted by Dr. Asela Gunasekara and Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe via zoom.



Achieving good internet governance through ICT ethics, policies and procedures

The CSSL GenZ Chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University has successfully concluded the Achieving Good Internet Governance through ICT Ethics, Policies and Procedures session on 29th of October 2021 Via Zoom. The webinar was conducted by two resource persons Ms. Swaran Ravindra and Mr. Ashutosh Maharaj from Fiji National University-National training and productivity center.



Organizing FOC Student Symposium 2021

The 2nd FOC Student Symposium (FOCSS) 2021 of Faculty of Computing, of KDU in collaboration with CSSL GenZ Chapter, was held on the 17th of December, 2021 through online.



An overview of Data Mining and Data Visualization

A webinar was conducted on the topic of “An overview of Data Mining and Data Visualization” which is a trending scale and was organized by CSSL GenZ Chapter of KDU. It was held on the 20th of January 2022 at 9.00 a.m. via online. Dr Rohitha Heiyanthuduwege was the guest speaker for this event



An overview of Digital Footprinting

A significant discussion on “An overview of Digital FootPrinting (Digital Forensics)” was successfully held by CSSL GenZ Chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University, on 3rd of February 2022 via zoom with Mr. Mubashir Sargana, Chief Technology Officer at Security Experts PVT Limited.



Career Fair 2022

Career Fair 2022 that is organized by the BSC Student Chapter, IEEE Student Branch, CSSL Student Chapter, and WIE Affinity Group of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University. It was held on the 10th of March 2022 at the university premises.



AGM 2022

The Annual General Meeting of the CSSL GenZ Chapter of KDU was held on 10th April 2022, and the new executive student council for the year 2022 was duly elected. Mr. Gagana Abeyrathna was elected as the President, whilst Mr. Induwara Rupasinghe was elected as the Vice President. CSSL president outlined his vision for the CSSL GenZ Student Chapter KDU in 2022 and highlighted the priorities for the year under the three pillars of CSSL vision.



Awareness Session in Southern Campus

An awareness session was conducted by the CSSL GenZ Chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University which was successfully held on 4th of May 2022 at the Southern Campus for the undergraduates of the Faculty of Technology. The session was guided by Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe, Senior lecturer in the Faculty of Computing and the chapter patron of the KDU CSSL GenZ Chapter.



Remedy for the economic crisis using trending Ecommerce solutions(Collaboration with the ISOC SL chapter)

Remedy for the economic crisis using trending E-commerce Solutions was collaborated with the ISOC Sri Lanka Chapter and CSSL GenZ Chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University. This was held on 30th of June at 1.00

p.m. via zoom platform. Mr. Dilanka Sanjaya Wijethilaka was the guest speaker for the event and he's an award winning entrepreneur and he has discussed how to use trending E-commerce solutions to the particular economic crisis and it was really helpful to everyone.

Research Areas in IoT

Research Areas in IOT was a virtual event organized by the CSSL GenZ Chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University that was held on 21st of August 2022 at 6.00 p.m. via zoom platform. This is a very important area for the IT undergraduates regarding their final year projects or for the research. Mr. Shakthi Weerasinghe was the keynote speaker of this event he briefly explained about IOT and how the things can be used for a particular research and how to find a good area for a research that is based on IOT.



15th International Research Conference of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University - Faculty of Computing Pre Conference Workshop

The pre conference workshop of 15th International Research Conference of General Sir John Kotelawala Defense University organized by CSSL GenZ chapter of KDU in collaboration with Internet Society of Sri Lanka chapter (ISSL) under the theme Internet Governance for National Development was held on 27th September 2022 at 10:30am to 12:pm via zoom platform. Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe acted as the moderator and the guest speakers were Prof. Sudha Buwaneshawri, Dr. Aris Lgnacio, Ms. Swaran Ravindra and Ms. Anuj Mangal.

GenZ at NITC

The 40th Anniversary of National Information Technology Conference(NITC) that was organized by the Computer society of Sri Lanka was held on 12th and 13th of October 2022 at Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo. Furthermore, CSSL GenZ Chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University has volunteered in this event which turned out to be a massive success. This event gave the opportunity for volunteers to meet with the best IT Professionals in the industry and connect with them. Moreover, it provided them with the first hand experience on how to lay the groundwork for such an event.



Gen Z Trip 2022

The members of the GenZ chapter of Kothalawala Defence University & the Staff members of Computer Society of Sri Lanka visited Heritage Ahungalla Hotel as the Annual GenZ Trip, on 3rd December 2022. The President of Computer Society of Sri Lanka, Mr. Damith Hettihewa also participated with this future leaders in ICT.





INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

IFIP General Assembly

IFIP General Assembly was held in Lille France 21 -22 September 2022.

CSSL President participated in IFIP General Assembly 2022 as a virtual delegate. A great supporter of CSSL and former President of Australian Computer Society Mr. Anthony Wong was elected as the President of IFIP at the IFIP General Assembly 2022.



IP3 Board Meetings and IP3 Strategic Planning

CSSL President Participated in IP3 Board Meetings on 10th May 2022 and 19th September 2022 and IP3 Strategic Planning 2023 on 18th November 2022 virtually. IP3 Board Meeting on 19th September 2022 was held in Lille France parallel to IFIP General Assembly.



IFIP Digital Education Task Force

Newly Elected IFIP President Mr. Anthony Wong invited CSSL President to Serve in The IFIP Digital Education Task Force.



IFIP Digital Education Task Force

Four core areas to consider transforming education by Task Force

- Commitment to addressing educational exclusion
- Commitment to transforming the teaching profession
- Commitment to renewing curricula and pedagogies
- Commitment to steering the digital transformation for equitable learning



INDUSTRY COLLABORATIONS

ICTA

CSSL Executive Council Members played an active role in ICTA's FY2022 program. CSSL President and Council members contributed to immensely for formulation of

Cluster Readiness Index

CSSL President actively contributed to formulation of ICTA's Digital Cluster readiness index.

Digital Education Policy

CSSL in 2021 program initiated a Digital Education Roadmap discourse with policy makers and Industry representatives under CSSL Policy Dialogue program. CSSL played an active role in ICTA's all industry endeavor to create a Policy framework for Digital Transformation of Education.

CSSL also actively participated on NextGenGov initiative.

- ICTA Lightning Digital Boot Camps
- Graduate Conversion Program



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BCS

CSSL Student Entrepreneurship Award at NBQSA

Fostering Entrepreneurship amongst the younger generation is crucial to achieve our common industry objectives of achieving USD 5 Billion ICT Exports by 2025.

Starting from 2022, The Computer Society of Sri Lanka as the national professional body for ICT started to collaborate with Sri Lanka Chapter of British Computer Society to recognize the Best Student ICT Entrepreneur at National Best Quality Software Awards. CSSL_BCS collaborative recognition is to encourage more youngsters to become ICT entrepreneurs in order to contribute to achieving our national goals.





SLASSCOM Ingenuity Awards

CSSL Collaborated with SLASSCOM for SLASSCOM Ingenuity Awards as a Industry Partner. CSSL President and Exco members participated as Judges of Ingenuity Awards 2022.

SLASSCOM NIFTI

CSSL President and Exco members were invited to serve in the SLASSCOM Nifti national capacity building initiative.

FITIS Internet Day

CSSL Collaborated with FITSI as a strategic partner of Sri Lanka Internet Day 2022.

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

Women in ICT

The Women In ICT Program Conducted by Computer Society of Sri Lanka was successfully held on 5th October 2022, at 6.30 via online platform, under the theme of “Success Stories of Women in ICT”. Dr.Nirosha Wedasinghe, a senior lecturer of Kothalawala Defense University, was the moderator of this event and Mrs.Nayani Fernando, a founder member of Computer Society of Sri Lanka participated for this event. Dr. Ruwangi Fernango, Ms.Naveendri Premarathne, Mr. Saleeyi Paaleupoly joined as the panelists to success then event.



Moderator

-  **Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe**
Senior Lecturer
Department of Information Technology
Kothalawala Defense University - Sri Lanka
-  **Mrs. Nayani Fernando**
Founder member of CSSL
-  **Dr. Ruwangi Fernango**
Change manager for IT Innovation
-  **Ms. Naveendri Premarathne**
Senior Manager
Human Resource Management
ICTA Sri Lanka
-  **Dr. Saleeyi Paaleupoly**
Director - Information Communication Technology
National University of Science

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**NATIONAL SCHOOL
SOFTWARE
COMPETITION**

The Awards Ceremony of National School software Competition organized by CSSL was successfully held on 02nd December 2022 at Ministry of Education.

The Minister of Education Hon. Susil Premajayantha was the chief guest of the awards ceremony. The president Mr. Damith Hettihewa and Treasurer Mr. Heshan Karunathne,

represented the Computer Society of Sri Lanka for this event.

NSSC 2022 was held at under 19 & under 17 category. As the professional body of ICT in Sri Lanka The Computer Society of Sri Lanka provided huge exile to develop the future ICT leaders in Sri Lanka.



National IT Conference 2022



Digitally
Enriching Lives

Celebrating 40th Anniversary

Conference • Colloquium • Investment Summit

40TH ANNIVERSARY NITC

The Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) celebrated the 40th Anniversary edition of the National Information Technology Conference (NITC), themed “Digitally Enriching Lives”, on 12th and 13th October 2022 at Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo Sri Lanka.

NITC is Sri Lanka’s flagship ICT Conference organized by CSSL and NITC 2022-Digitally Enriching was a multifaceted event featuring NITC Conference, CSSL Awards, CSSL Colloquium, and Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit. NITC 2022 conference featured 8 conference tracks and delegates witnessed very rewarding deliberations under the patronage of NITC 2022 Inauguration Guest of Honor Mr. Michael Appleton His Excellency the Ambassador of New Zealand to Sri Lanka and Maldives and 28 local and foreign high-profile intellectuals. NITC 2022- Digital Investment Summit, was a new feature added to NITC to mark the 40th Anniversary celebrations.

Overall, NITC 2022 witnessed productive deliberations, enthusiastic delegate interactions at conference bringing Sri Lanka’s flagship ICT Conference back to its past glory after two years of online proceedings due to the pandemic.

NITC Launch

Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) launched the 40th Anniversary edition of the National Information Technology Conference (NITC), themed “Digitally Enriching Lives”, on Monday 7th February 2022, at a Press Conference held at OPA Auditorium 275/75 Prof. Stanley Wijesundera Mawatha, Colombo 7. NITC is the Sri Lanka’s flagship ICT Conference organized by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) and will be held on 12th and 13th October 2022 at Shangri-La Hotel, 1 Galle Face, Colombo 2.



To mark the commencement, the 40th Anniversary NITC launch keynote on the topic Enriching Lives Beyond 4.0 was delivered by Prof. Siegfried Zurn, Director International Center and Graduate School, University of Applied Sciences, Esslingen, Germany at the OPA auditorium in a Hybrid mode.

40th Anniversary edition of the National Information Technology Conference (NITC) themed “Digitally Enriching Lives” and Inaugural Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit organized by Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) was held on 12th and 13th October 2022 at Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo Sri Lanka. NITC 2022 was organized under the leadership of the President of CSSL Damith Hettihewa and Conference Chair Heshan Karunaratne. DailyFT was the exclusive Print Media partner of NITC 2022.

Second Press Conference

Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) announced the second press conference of the 40th Anniversary edition of the National Information Technology Conference (NITC), themed “Digitally Enriching Lives”, on Monday 7th February 2022, held at OPA Auditorium 275/75 Prof. Stanley Wijesundera Mawatha, Colombo 7. Collaboratives of Axiata Digital Labs , CodeGen, Millennium IT, Frotinet, Bell Solutions & SLIIT are participated as the sponsors of the National Information Technology Conference.





40th NITC Day1 : 12 October 2023

Inauguration

NITC 2022 Inauguration Guest of Honor Mr. Michael Appleton His Excellency the Ambassador of New Zealand to Sri Lanka and Maldives and 28 local and foreign high-profile intellectuals.





CSSL Awards

CSSL National ICT Awards recognized the cream of ICT professionals, academia and future ICT professionals. CSSL Colloquium with 8 authors presenting their papers.

Inaugurated in 2013, CSSL National ICT Awards has recognized the cream of ICT professionals under broad categories namely, Elite awards, ICT Management Awards, Eco System Awards Academic Awards, ICT Student Category awards

CSSL ICT Leader of the Year - Male :
Mr. Thushera Kawdawatta

CSSL ICT Researcher of the Year :
Dr. Siyamalan Manivannan

CSSL ICT Educator of the Year :
Mrs. D. E. W. Vishaka Nanayakkara

CSSL Social Innovator of the Year :
Mr. J. W. D. Sanjaya Wijethilaka

CSSL Chief Information Officer of the Year :
Dr. Amal Illesinghe

CSSL IT Manager of the Year :
Mr. Kasun Gallage

CSSL ICT Student Award - Postgraduate Category :
Mr. N. P. T. K. Samudaya Nanayakkara

CSSL ICT Student Award - Undergraduate Category :
Ms. T.K. Jayasekara

CSSL ICT Student Award - Undergraduate Category :
Mr. Suresh Michael Peiris

CSSL ICT Student Award - School Category :
Mr. Harindu Lakshitha Fonseka





Conference Day 1

This year's National IT Conference deliberated eight vital topics that matter to the contemporary IT industry, moderated by seven Session Chairs and 21 speakers.



40th NITC Day 2 : 13th October 2022

Digital Investment Summit

Inaugural Digital Investment Summit was graced by Chief Guest Professor Malik Ranasinghe Chairman of ICTA and Digital Investment Summit Guest of Honor Stephen Ibaraki, President REDSS Capital, Board Member of IP3 and Chairman UN AI for Good who delivered the Keynote Speech at the inaugural Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit. CSSL Digital Investment Summit is an initiative aiming at supporting

The Inaugural Digital Investment Summit achieved its objectives with eight promising digital companies, 5 with unicorn potential pitching for investments.





CSSL Colloquium at NITC

CSSL Colloquium with 8 authors presenting their papers. Overall, NITC 2022 witnessed productive deliberations, enthusiastic delegate interaction



Overall Coordination of Sub Committee

- Conference Chair - Mr. Heshan Karunaratne
- Chair Emeritus - Mr. Rasantha Hettithantrige

Sub Committees Structure

- Sponsorships - Damith Hettihewa (Chair), Rasantha Hettithantrige, Indika De Zoysa
- Investment Summit - Damith Hettihewa (Chair), Comm. Janaka Gunaseela, Udesh Seneviratne
- NITC Registrations - Dr. Ajantha Atukorale (Chair), Dr. Prasad Samarasinghe, Indika De Zoysa
- CSSL Awards - Dr. Ajantha Atukorale (Chair), Dr. Parakum Pathirana, Comm. Janaka Gunaseela
- CSSL Colloquium - Dr. Ajantha Atukorale (Chair), Dr. Adheesha Wijayasiri, Prof Chandimal Jayawardena
- Conference Speakers - Dr. Parakum Pathirana (Chair), Damith Hettihewa, Rasantha Hettithantrige
- Fireside Chats and Session Chairs - Comm. Janaka Gunaseela (Chair), Damith Hettihewa, Dr. Parakum Pathirana
- Conference Platform - Rasantha Hettithantrige (Chair), Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Shageewan Sachithanathan
- Marketing plan - Indika De Zoysa (Chair), Dr. Prasad Samarasinghe, Rasantha Hettithantrige
- Website - Shageewan Sachithanadan, (Chair), Damith Hettihewa, Dr. Ajantha Atukorale
- Paper Review and Proceedings Book - Prof Chandimal Jayawardena (Chair), Ajantha, Dr. Adheesha Wijayasiri
- Inauguration : Udesh Seneviratne (Chair), Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Comm. Janaka Gunaseela
- IEEE : Adheesha Wijayasiri (Chair), Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Prof Chandimal Jayawardena



CSSL IN MEDIA



Axiata Digital Labs sign on as Exclusive Innovation Partner of 40th Anniversary National IT Conference

Axiata CEO Theobald Kambarawa **CSSL President Dhanish Herathena** **Prof. Chair Nishan Karunaratne**

Axiata Digital Labs today announced that they have entered into a partnership with the Computer Society of Sri Lanka to sponsor the 40th National Information Technology Conference (NITC) and Digital Investment Summit 2022 as the Exclusive Innovation Partner. As one of Axiata's fastest growing and most innovative software and IT service providers, Axiata Digital Labs is a long-standing partner of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL), the apex body representing Information and Communications Technology (ICT) professionals in Sri Lanka.

The National Information Technology Conference (NITC) is an annual flagship event bringing together the IT professionals, experts and enthusiasts and is to be held on the 12th and 13th of October 2022 at the Shangri-La Hotel in Colombo. This year's conference is set to feature over 30 sessions and panel

significance of innovation and seamlessly infuse it into the fabric of their corporate culture evolve into market leaders," said Theobald Kambarawa, CEO of Axiata Digital Labs. "As the Innovation Partner for the 40th National Conference 2022 the flagship ICT conference in Sri Lanka and a Digital Investment Summit, ADS began to strengthen the IT industry through innovative products and solutions that help accelerate the digital transformation journeys of every enterprise," Theobald Kambarawa further stated.

Dhanish Herathena, President of CSSL, welcomed the Axiata Digital Labs partnership as a great contribution towards supporting the efforts of CSSL, which is advocating acceleration of digital transformation of the country to leverage Industry 4.0 opportunity for Sri Lanka to become a resiliency nation. "Our country needs to accelerate

Reurgence of our country. NITC Digital Investment Summit is a matchmaking platform for start-up companies and Mature ICT Companies with Unicorn (USD 1 Billion Market Value) potential to pitch at the summit to seek investment for their next phase of growth and global expansion from local and foreign investor prospects". 40th National Information Technology is organized under the leadership of Dhanish Herathena, President of CSSL. The Conference Chair is Nishan Karunaratne while Dr. Ajiththa Atukorala, Professor Chandana Jayawardene and Dr. Akshaya Wijesoori are spearheading the academic track and collaboration at the conference.

About Axiata Digital Labs
 Founded in 2015, Axiata Digital Labs is an innovative software service provider offering tele-forwarded digital and IT services and solutions for



CSSL Conducts Degree Accreditation Awareness Program for Universities

Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) recently conducted an awareness session on the Seoul Accord Computing Degree Accreditation process for Universities and Higher Educational Institutes offering computing and IT degrees. Several Universities including University of Moratuwa and University of Sri Jayawardenepura who are planning to achieve Seoul Accord accreditation participated in the session.

Chairman of Computer Society of Sri Lanka Accreditation Board (CSSLAB) Prof. Giban Dias, Consultant of CSSLAB Prof. Indra Dayawansa, President of CSSL, Damith Hettibewa, Project Chair of CSSL Accreditation Program and Vice President of CSSL, Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Secretary to the CSSLAB and CSSL Past President Chiranthan Silva participated as speakers of the event. They outlined the benefits and provided comprehensive details of the accreditation process for a globally recognised accredited Computer and



Chairman of CSSLAB Prof. Giban Dias



Consultant of CSSLAB Prof. Indra Dayawansa



President of CSSL, Damith Hettibewa



Vice President of CSSL, Dr. Ajantha Atukorale

IT degree program.

Accredited degree programs provide students with the assurance that their degree is recognised and market-relevant in key international markets such as USA, UK, Canada and Australia are valuable to the graduates who are seeking career opportunities in global IT industry.

The Seoul Accord is an international agreement for accreditation of

computing degrees in its signatory countries. Established in 2008, the signatories include Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States among several other countries. CSSL is the sole entity representing Sri Lanka at the Seoul Accord.

Computer Society of Sri Lanka commenced accreditation activities in 2013. CSSL is a provisional member

of the Seoul Accord since then. CSSL Accreditation Board manages the independent computing degree accreditation body for the Sri Lankan IT industry.

The CSSL is the apex body representing Sri Lankan Information and Communications Technology (ICT) professionals established in 1976. CSSL is dedicated to improving professional standards in information and communication technology sector.

It promotes professionalism and fosters maintaining highest professional standards among the Information and Communication Technology fraternity.

CSSL is a member of the South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation (SEARCC) and the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP). Locally, it is a member of the Organisation for Professional Associations (OPA).

were very happy with the proposal that was spelled out by the President to make Sri Lanka an export oriented economy. "This is big boost for exporters and we will fully support this endeavor." He also endorsed the merger of the EDB and BOI and said that both institutions can now work closely to promote exporters and woo FDI. Marikkar said that the President proposed to establish 10 Agro-Entrepreneur villages in order to encourage export-oriented products with the use of modern technology and proposed to allocate Rs. 250 million for this purpose.

Founder of the Spice Council of Sri Lanka, Sarada De Silva welcomed the budget proposal to set up a separate department for the development and



Shyam Marikkar

also thank the President for the proposal in unifying labour laws and making a single labor law as currently there are separate labour laws for different sectors which are not practical and acceptable."

Meanwhile, commenting on the abolition of the ICTA agency, Computer Society of Sri Lanka Secretary Damith Hettibewa said that it was set up for a period of five years and its mandate is over. Also there were some issues with its productivity especially during 2017 and 2018. He said a ICTA Agency is a must for a country like Sri Lanka to move with modern technology and digitalization drive. The new Agency that would be set up should have professionals and have the ability to be self-sufficient in finances



Damith Hettibewa

from overseas to start their own business.

The Institute of Supply & Materials Management (ISMM) requested the Government to consider seriously encouraging and facilitating export oriented medium level enterprises to

enhance export-oriented business to earn Foreign exchange through exports.

ISMM President Sarath Gamage said "Also, we requested Government to encourage entrepreneurs who are having capacity to start own businesses with their innovative, value adding products specially granting financial assistant through the banks which will support to stabilise the economy and enhance the



Sarath Gamage



Jayantha Karunaratne

implement these the private sector achieving these faced was the high that has not been blocking new work for the private unnecessary restriction of import of machinery and materials needed for the export industry should be addressed and allowed to be imported without much restrictions.



CSSL VP appointed Director of University of Colombo School of Computing

Dr. Ajantha Atukorale has been named the fifth director of the University of Colombo School of Computing (UCSC). Prof. K. P. Hewagamage, a CSSL member, who held the position for the past six years, is succeeded by Dr. Ajantha Atukorale.



DR. AJANTHA ATUKORALE IS A MAJOR INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTOR WHO HAS SERVED ON THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA (CSSL) SINCE 2014. HE HAS

extended our warmest congratulations to our vice president Dr. Ajantha Atukorale. His achievement sets an example for young ICT graduates who excel in academic affairs to follow his footsteps to work closely with the industry for the betterment of professional standards and development of the ICT industry. On behalf of the membership and executive council of CSSL, I wish to extend best wishes for all his future endeavours as the Director of UCSC."

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CSSL is also a provisional signatory of Seoul Accord through



Increasing taxes force IT professionals to migrate: Computer Society

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As the imposition of a heavy taxes on people, the professionals in the information technology (IT) sector are preparing seriously to migrate, Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) President Damith Hettibewa said.

While attending the Digital Investment Conference organized to celebrate CSSL's 40th anniversary, he said the local IT sector brings five billion dollars into the country and in order to reach that goal, they need the support of the government.

"There are so many people who are making money from the IT industry. The youth community that earn money from the IT industry does not want their earnings to be taxed heavily and used for loss-making institutions.

Therefore, he requested the government to utilize the tax revenue received from the industry for country's education purposes and innovation programs, because the youth community agree that the IT sector does not

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CSSL President appointed to IP3 Board

View(s):

The International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) has appointed Computer Society of Sri Lanka President Damith Hetthewa as a board member of the globally acclaimed accreditation body for ICT professional organisations. The International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) is an activity of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) focused on professionalisation of ICT practitioners. (IP3 comprises approximately 80 member associations around the world, concerned with the use of information and communications technology (ICT) in society and the sharing of knowledge to enhance the application of ICT for the benefit of the global community. IP3 is a non-government, non-profit umbrella organisation for national societies working in the field of information processing. It was established in 1960 under the auspices of UNESCO.

Damith Hetthewa is the President of Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) and a leading industry contributor in Sri Lanka. He currently serves as the Managing Director of Nintex Cloud Lanka Ltd. He has previously served as the Chief Executive Officer and a Board Member of Information and Communication Technology Agency (ICTA) and was elected as the Chairman of the Governing Council of United Nations Social Economic and Commission's APAC Centre for ICT Development (UNESCAP/APAC/ICT) in 2016. Damith Hetthewa has served in the executive council of CSSL since 2014 and held various positions prior to being elected as the President in 2021.

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MoU signed with ICTA, Dialog Axiata PLC, and CSSL for establishing an IoT Innovation Lab

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In order to cater the rapidly increasing needs of the technological world, and to enhance the teaching, learning, and research activities in the globally hottest area "Internet of Things" (IoT), the Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Science signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 24 August 2022, with Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka (ICTA), Dialog Axiata PLC, and Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) to establish an IoT Innovation Laboratory with equipment worth over 12 million Sri Lankan rupees, in the newly erected building of the Department of Computer Science.

In this event which started at 2.30 pm, several dignitaries from ICTA, CSNL, and Dialog Axiata PLC participated via zoom from ICTA Auditorium while the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Jaffna Professor S. Srisathkumarajah, Dean of the Faculty of Science Professor R. Ravirajan, Head of the Department of Computer Science Mr. S. Suthakar, Patron of CSSL GenZ Chapter of the University of Jaffna Dr. K. Thabocharan, and other staff of the Department of Computer Science joined via zoom from the Boardroom of the University of Jaffna.

While Mr. Jayantha de Silva (Chairman, ICTA), Mr. Damith Hetthewa (President, Computer Society of Sri Lanka), and Mr. Supun Wimalawansa (Director/Group Chief Executive, Dialog Axiata PLC) signed their copy of the MoU from the ICTA auditorium, Professor S.



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Treasurer's Message

The financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2022 is presented with this AGM report. The key revenue contributor towards this financial year was the National IT Conference bringing a profit of LKR 7,940,639.00 due to conference being a hybrid event held at Shangri-La hotel.

The Fixed deposit base was also increased by almost 7 Million and the total deposits reached to 32.1 Million rupees. The Operating expenditure was higher this year compared to previous year due to physical operations of the secretariat took place along with other activities of CSSL which were conducted online in the previous year.

Despite various challenges we have achieved a surplus of Rupees 5,457,307 for the year under consideration.

Heshan Karunaratne

Treasurer



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Computer Society of Sri Lanka, which comprise of the statement of financial position as of March 31, 2022, and the statements of comprehensive income, changes in funds, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Society as March 31, 2022, and of its financial performance and its cash flows, for the year then ended, in accordance with the Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not for -Profit Organizations (including Non-Governmental Organizations).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Society in

accordance with the ethical requirements of the code of ethics issued by CA Sri Lanka (code of ethics) that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the code of ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not for -Profit Organizations (including Non-Governmental Organizations) and for such internal controls as the management determines are necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the management is responsible for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concerned and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations or has no realistic alternative but to do so. Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located at Sri Lanka Accounting and Auditing Website at: <http://slaasc.com/auditing/auditorsresponsibility.php>. This description forms part of the auditor's report.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by section 163 (2) of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007, we have obtained all the information and explanations that were required for the audit and, as far as appears from our examination, proper accounting records have been kept by the Society.



JAYASINGHE & CO.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
Colombo.
28th November 2022
AJ/IMK/1172/1190
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THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA - STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Note	2022	2021
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net surplus before taxation		5,824,818	2,451,164
Adjustments for;			
Depreciation		252,546	239,563
Interest income		(1,485,579)	(1,951,868)
Operating profit before working capital changes		4,591,785	738,859
(Increase) / decrease in receivables		359,385	235,530
Increase / (decrease) in accruals & payables		508,833	(118,608)
Cash generated from / (used in) operating activities		5,460,003	855,781
Tax paid		(516,346)	(63,293)
Net cash flow from / (used in) operating activities		4,943,657	792,488
Cash flows from / (used in) investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant & equipment		-	(7,500)
Interest received		1,485,579	1,951,868
Investments in fixed deposits		(7,038,362)	(3,324,254)
Net cash flow from / (used in) investing activities		(5,552,783)	(1,379,886)
Cash flows from / (used in) financing activities		-	-
Funds received during the year		-	-
Net cash flow from / (used in) finance activities		-	-
Net increase / (decrease) in cash & cash equivalents		(609,126)	(587,398)
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		1,566,159	2,153,557
Cash & cash equivalents at the end of the year	17	957,031	1,566,159

Notes on pages 05 to 15 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA - STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Note	2022	2021
Assets			
Non current assets			
Property, plant & equipment	12	1,503,231	1,755,776
Total		1,503,231	1,755,776
Current assets			
Fixed deposits	13	32,168,009	25,129,648
Receivables	14	996,835	1,356,219
Cash & cash equivalents	15	957,031	1,566,159
Total		34,121,875	28,052,025
Total Assets		35,625,106	29,807,802
Funds & Liabilities			
Funds			
Accumulated Fund		34,779,760	29,322,453
Little Drop of Water Fund		26,000	26,000
Total		34,805,760	29,348,453
Current liabilities			
Commissioner General of Inland Revenue	16	21,478	170,313
Accruals & payables	17	797,869	289,036
Total		819,346	459,349
Total Funds & Liabilities		35,625,106	29,807,802

THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA - STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Note	2022	2021
Operating income			
Application fees	04	20,500	42,500
Registration fees & annual subscriptions	05	1,881,863	1,256,080
Surplus from National IT Conference	06	7,940,639	1,722,822
Deficit from workshops	07	(34,504)	(39,350)
Other income	08	1,001,260	2,250,805
Total		10,809,758	5,232,857
Operating expenditure			
Administration expenses	9	(6,463,007)	(4,594,002)
Other expenses	10	(7,512)	(137,139)
Net surplus from operating activities		4,339,239	499,296
Interest income	11	1,485,579	1,951,868
Net surplus before taxation		5,824,818	2,451,164
Income tax expense		(367,511)	(516,346)
Net surplus for the year		5,457,307	1,934,818
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		5,457,307	1,934,818

Notes on pages 05 to 13 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA - STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)

	Accumulated Fund	Little Drop of Water Fund	Total
Balance as at 1st April 2020	27,387,635	26,000	27,413,635
Net surplus for the year	1,934,818	-	1,934,818
Balance as at 31st March 2021	29,322,453	26,000	29,348,453
Net surplus for the year	5,457,307	-	5,457,307
Balance as at 31st March 2022	34,779,760	26,000	34,805,760

Notes on pages 05 to 13 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

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1991-1999
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1999-2001
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2001-2002
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2003
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2004-2005
MR. P. LIONEL PERERA



2006-2007
MR. D.C.A. SATTRUKALSINGHE



2008
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2009-2011
MR. J. M. CHRISANTHA SILVA



2012-2013
MR. H. MAHESH PERERA



2014
MR. M. AJITH SALGADO



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DR. C. DAYAN RAJAPAKSE



2017-2018
DR. Y.V. ABEYWICKRAMA



2019-2020
MR. PRABATH S. WICKRAMARATNE

