CSSL Annual Report 2022/23



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President's Message 2022/23

Dear Esteemed Members,

As we gather for the 35th Annual General Meeting of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka, I am honored and privileged to address you as the President for the year 2023. It is with immense pride and a sense of responsibility that I stand before you, leading an organization that plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of our nation through computing technology.

Firstly, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all members for your unwavering support and commitment over the past year. Our society thrives on the dedication of its members, and it is your enthusiasm that propels us forward. Together, we have achieved significant milestones, fostering a vibrant community of professionals, enthusiasts, and innovators in the field of computing.

In the dynamic realm of technology, the significance of our role as the Computer Society has never been more pronounced. Aligned with the nation's technological aspirations encapsulated in the DigiEcon 2030 mandate, we stand at the nexus of ICT innovation and societal advancement. It is incumbent upon us to channel the potential of technology towards overarching societal benefits.

While contemplating the accomplishments of the past year, let us concurrently cast our gaze forward with a spirit of optimism and unwavering determination. Our involvement over the past year has been both rewarding and productive, yielding impressive outcomes.

- We successfully welcomed 101 Professional members, 22 Associate members, and 158 Student members into the CSSL community.
- CSSL commends the Sri Lankan government for prioritizing technology and has collaborated with the Ministry of Technology to endorse and contribute to the DigiEcon 2030 initiative.
- CSSL announced the country's first-ever National CIO List, a pioneering initiative to identify the best of the best ICT professionals in the country. After a stringent evaluation process, nine CIOs were inducted in to the Sri Lanka's first ever CSSL National CIO List.

CSSL extended a warm welcome to three additional member institutions, thereby expanding the GenZ



Chapter community to a total of six institutions within the CSSL GenZ network. The latest additions to our membership roster include (i) University of Colombo School of Computing, (ii) Horizon Campus, and (iii) NSBM Campus.

- Successfully organized annual events including (i) National School Software Competition, (ii) CSSL National ICT Awards, and (iii) National Information Technology Conference.
- Alongside the yearly events, numerous TechTalks were conducted for both members and GenZ Chapter participants. GenZ Chapters facilitated various activities, and the Women in ICT Special Interest Group (SIG) orchestrated multiple events, culminating in a recent one-day action plan workshop for 2024.

I am excited about the prospect of building bridges with industry partners, academia, and government bodies. Together, we can create a synergy that propels Sri Lanka to the forefront of technological advancements. The Computer Society will actively engage in advocacy, promoting policies that support a conducive environment for technology growth and nurturing a new generation of tech leaders.

Thank you for your trust, support, and dedication. Here's to a remarkable year ahead!

Warm regards,

Dr. D. A. S. Atukorale

President, Computer Society of Sri Lanka 2023

Our Objectives

- To be the apex professional body for professionals of computing discipline
- To promote and develop the computing discipline
- To foster computing research, innovations and entrepreneurship
- Exchange of information and ideas
- Uplift standards of Computing Education and Training
- To encourage, increase, disseminate and promote knowledge, education and training

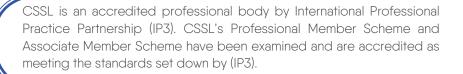
Our Affiliations



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 Soul Accord, which is an internationally acclaimed degree accreditation program. CSSL Accreditation Board endorsed by UGC





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FOUL ACCORD

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

 $\label{eq:collaboration} \textbf{Collaboration} among our stakeholders$

Diversity : We promote diversity

Respect : We honor the rights and beliefs of individuals

Excellence : We focus on results

Executive Council



Seated from L to R

Mr. Indika De Zoysa (Treasurer), Mr. Heshan Karunaratne (Secretary), Dr. Ajantha Atukorale (President), Dr. Parakum Amaranga Pathirana (Vice President), Mr. Udesh Seneviratne (Asst. Secretary)

Standing from L to R

Dr. (Mrs.) Nirosha Wedasinghe (Council Member), Mr. Damith Hettihewa (Council Member), Dr. Amal Illesinghe (Council Member), Mr. Rasantha Hettithanthrige (Publication Secretary), Dr. Shanta Rajapaksha Yapa (Council member), Commodore Janaka Gunaseela (Asst. Treasurer), Dr. Thilina Halloluwa (Student Counsellor)



Dr. Ajantha Athukorala - 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 council of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) since 2013/2014 and is currently the 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 - Vice President

Parakum, a distinguished IT professional with over 20 years of expertise, excels in strategically managing Information Security and Technology for large, multinational corporations across Asia, the United Kingdom, and New Zealand. His visionary leadership extends to his recent role as the group Chief Information Security Officer at LOLC Holdings, a global conglomerate, until April 2023. Parakum's impact in steering Information Security initiatives reflects a commitment to excellence, contributing significantly to the company's success. His adept navigation of the intricacies within the Banking and Financial Service industry underscores a profound understanding of the evolving technological landscape. As a seasoned professional, Parakum's legacy is marked by a dedication to ensuring robust security measures and technological advancements in corporate environments.



Mr. Heshan Karunaratne - Secretary

Heshan Karunaratne, serves as the Secretary of the CSSL and has held several posts prior such as Treasurer, Assistant Secretary, Student Councilor and Conference Chair of NITC 2020/2022. Currently he is the CEO of SPIL Labs. Before that he has served as the Director, Business Development at Codegen International, 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. 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.



Mr. Indika De Zoysa – Treasurer

Indika De Zoysa is a seasoned, vibrant and result oriented professional with 30 years of rich experience covering Digital, ICT solution's, marketing, innovation, development, integration and market development with prestigious organizations. Indika is the Strategic Adviser /Vice President at Huawei Technologies Lanka Co (Pvt) Ltd. Before Joining Huawei Indika was the Senior Consultant at ICT Agency of Sri Lanka. Currently, Indika serves as a member of Presidential Task Force on Digital Economy, Education Transformation and also a member of the Standing Committee on Accreditation & Quality Assurance for Higher education Sector in Sri Lanka. Furthermore, Indika is the Chairman of (FITIS) – Federation of Information Technology Industry Sri Lanka.



Mr. Udesh I. W. Seneviratne - Assistant Secretary

Udesh I. W. Seneviratna, a Special Grade Officer from Sri Lanka Administrative Service, is currently serving as the Additional Director General (Policy & Development) of the Department of Information Technology Management of the General Treasury and as a Board Director of the Employees Trust Fund. Udesh has held various positions including Acting CEO of NAPPP, Senior Assistant Secretary (Development) at the Prime Minister's Office, Senior Assistant Secretary to the President, and Minister (SLM-Frankfurt), Director (East Asia & Pacific), Director (South Asia & SAARC), and Senior Assistant Secretary (ICT for Development) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Udesh, a past pupil of Royal College, Colombo 07, holds a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Sciences from the University of Colombo, three Post Graduate Diplomas in International Relations, Economics, and Public Management, and a Master's Degree in Management and Information Sciences from Summa cum Laude.



Commodore Janaka Gunaseela - Assistant Treasurer

Commodore Janaka Ushan Gunaseela USP, ndc, psc is a meritorious military officer of the Sri Lanka Navy, whose impressive career spans more than 3 decades of invaluable service to the nation, holding number of significant positions during the war and post-war periods. A qualified Chartered Engineer by profession, with a Bachelor in "Electrical & Electronics Engineering" " from prestigious General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University as well as a Masters in "Electronics & Telecom Engineering" from prestigious University of Moratuwa along with chartered accreditations CEng.MIET & CEng.MIESL. He is currently serving as the Director Electronic & Telecommunication Engineering at the Sri Lanka Navy. Commodore Janaka also has served as the Dean of the faculty of Computing and the Head of the Electrical, Electronics & Biomedical Engineering Department of the Faculty of Engineering, of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University Sri Lanka.



Mr. Rasantha Hettithanthrige - Publication Secretary

Currently Rasantha Hettithanthrige holds the position of Chief Technology Officer at Mobitel the National Mobile Communications Services Provider. He has a total of 31+ 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". Rasantha got recently appointed as the President of the Alumni Association of the Department of Electronics & Telecommunications Engineering at the University of Moratuwa which is the premier Technology Seat of Learning, recognising his contribution to the industry & the University.



Dr. Thilina Halloluwa - Student Counsellor

Dr. Thilina is an HCI researcher who is deeply passionate about extending research to have non-negative real-world impact. His research focuses broadly on Software Engineering, Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence and Augmented Reality. He currently use mixed methods to study the use, design, and impacts of AI powered technological interventions in high-stakes, complex domains such as agriculture, education and finances. He is also a SEDA accredited educator and a Senior Lecturer at the University of Colombo School of Computing. He has a PhD from the Science and Engineering Faculty at the Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane and is a winner of Executive Dean's Commendation for Outstanding Doctoral Thesis Award for the year 2019. He is one of the founding members of the ACM SIGCHI Colombo chapter and currently represents Sri Lanka at the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) Technical Committee on Human-Computer Interaction.



Mr. Damith Hettihewa - Past President / Council Member

In 2021 and 2022, Damith Hettihewa presided over the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL). Damith graduated from the University of Moratuwa with a BSc (Eng.) degree in Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering and has an MBA from the University of Hull UK. He currently serves as Managing Director of Nimbus Cloud Lanka Ltd. Damith has been a member of the CSSL council since 2014, holding a number of positions including vice president, secretary, assistant secretary and council member. Damith served as the Conference Chair of NITC 2014. A few of the major accomplishments during Damith's CSSL presidency include: CSSL achieving International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) accreditation; initiating Digital CSSL project; conceptualizing and starting CSSL Genz Chapters; installing a President's Honors Board at CSSL Secretariat ; launching the CSSL National CIO List; revitalizing and rebranding the Women in IT SIG as CSSL WinIT (Women in IT); and developing policies and compliance procedures for GDPR and Personal Data Protection Act 2022.



Dr. Shanta Rajapaksa Yapa - Council Member

Dr Yapa is a fellow of the British Computer Society, the Chartered Institute for IT. He is a Certified Innovation Manager and holds membership of 10 chartered and professional institutions in engineering & technology, psychology, logistics, IT, marketing, mechanical engineering, and industrial engineering. He is a Senior Academic Fellow attached to SLIIT Business School and acts as the Director of SLIIT Innovate. Dr Yapa is an ex-banker and counts 38 years of experience in engineering, manufacturing, banking, international business, and ICT. He is a board director of the ICT Industry Skills Council of Sri Lanka. He is a past president of FITIS Software Chapter and an exco member of APICTA. Dr Yapa also has over 22 years of experience as a visiting faculty member in postgraduate programs of 22 local and international universities. He was also a member of the standing committee for IT at the UGC from 2010 to 2017.



Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe - Council Member

Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe is a distinguished academic and professional in the field of Computing and Information Systems. She earned her first degree in Computing and Information Systems from London Metropolitan University in the UK in 2005, showcasing her early commitment to the field. Her pursuit of knowledge continued as she completed her master's degree at Charles Sturt University in Australia in 2008, further solidifying her expertise. In 2013, Dr. Wedasinghe reached the pinnacle of academic achievement by obtaining her Ph.D. in Information Systems from General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University, demonstrating her dedication to advancing the understanding and application of information technology. Currently serving as a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Computing at General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University, she serves as the Program Chair for the CSSL GenZ Chapter and holds a leadership role in the Special Interest Group of Women in ICT, emphasizing her dedication to promoting diversity and gender equality in the field.



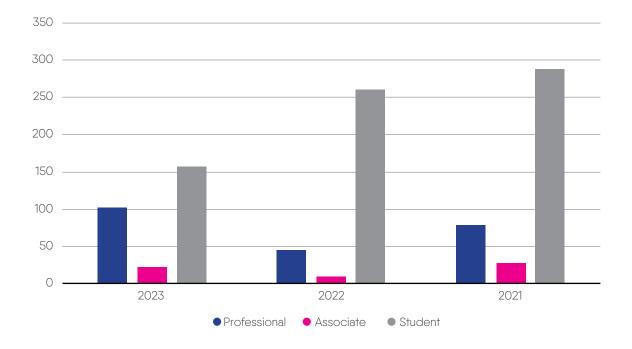
Dr. Amal Illesinghe - Council Member

Dr. Amalisa Veteran IT professional with over 35 years of experience in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) industry in Sri Lanka and highly qualified in ICT while gaining experience in the banking sector organizations in Sri Lanka. He worked more than 25 years in People's Bank and National Savings which two of the largest government banks in Sri Lanka. He finished is secondary education from Richmond College Galle and completed Bachelor degree in Mathematics & Statistics from University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Technology from Institute of Computer Technology, University of Colombo, Master of Science in Information Technology from UCSC, University of Colombo, Master of Business Administration from University of Kelaniya, and completed his Doctorate in Informatics in 2019 from Malaysia University of Science and Technology, Malaysia. and he won the CIO of the year 2021 organized by CSSL and Dynamic CIO award twice in 2020 and 2021 in Digital Maestros Award. Also, he has published research papers & articles related to ICT in international journals and presented in international research colloquium.

Membership Highlights

New Addition of Members

	2023	2022	2021
Professional Members	101	46	79
Associate Members	22	9	27
Student Members	158	261	288



DIGIECON

DIGIECON 2023-2030 stands as a landmark initiative, guided by the visionary leadership of His Excellency the President and the steadfast support of the Ministry of Technology and Industry. Embarking on a historic journey, this program is committed to achieving a \$15 billion digital economy by 2030. Its mission includes empowering businesses, creating job opportunities, and steering Sri Lanka towards a future marked by prosperity and sustainability.

The Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) is proud to stand as a key partner in this transformative endeavor, a testament to its standing as the nation's premier professional body in the field of computing. The CSSL's involvement in this groundbreaking initiative signifies a powerful recognition of its expertise and dedication to advancing the computing landscape in Sri Lanka.

Further underscoring the government's faith in the CSSL's capabilities is its support for the National IT

Conference (NITC) 2023, organized by the CSSL. The theme of this year's National IT Conference, "Towards Sustainable Digital Society," reflects on the government's vision and transition to a digital economy through the DIGIECON 2030 program, which aims to accelerate Sri Lanka's economic transition to an inclusive digital economy by utilizing cutting-edge technology-based solutions, as stated by the State Minister of Technology Hon. Mr. Kanaka Herath at the Temple Trees on March 30, 2023.

The convergence of Digicon 2030 and the CSSL's unwavering commitment to excellence creates a potent synergy for propelling Sri Lanka's digital aspirations. With its deep understanding of the local context, robust professional network, and dedication to promoting ethical and responsible technology use, the CSSL is poised to play a pivotal role in making Digicon 2030 a resounding success.



The Annual Planning Workshop - 2023

The CSSL Annual Strategy Workshop was held on February 12th, 2023, at Pegasus Reef Hotel Wattala with the view to planning and scheduling the activities for 2023, with the participation of the Executive Council members. The workshop was very informative and fruitful.

- The President of CSSL presented the plan for the year.
- The project chairs were appointed for the proposed projects lined up for 2023
- The council members shared their duties and responsibilities for projects in detail with tentative time schedules.
- New ideas and plans were proposed for the upliftment of the IT industry in Sri Lanka
- **"Towards a Sustainable Digital Society"** was selected as the theme for the National IT Conference 2023.



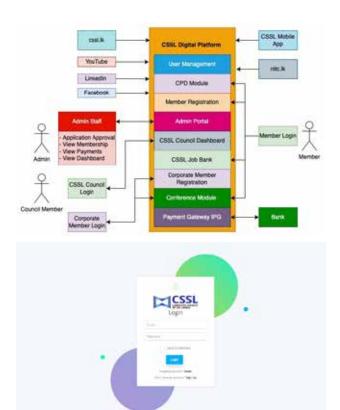
Digital CSSL

Digital CSSL brings ranges of benefits to CSSL Members as well as Admin Staff.

- Existing Member is able to self-register to the platform using the Internet
- Member could view his or her details using dashboard
- Member could renew their membership via online
- Member will receive a notification email for each payment
- It is integrated platform and system can be accessed using CSSL website
- New member can be registered to the Digital portal and get a user ID and password
- New members can submit membership application using this platform
- Admin staff can view the payment details and accept them accordingly
- Admin staff can view new member applications
- New member application onboard process can be conducted via online
- Member payments made at CSSL Office are acknowledged by a digital receipt via emailed

The Digital CSSL model consist of below features

- User Management Module
- Member Management Module
- Council Member module
- Conference Module
- Admin Module
- Continue Professional Development (CPD)
 module
- Payment Gateway
- Corporate Member Module



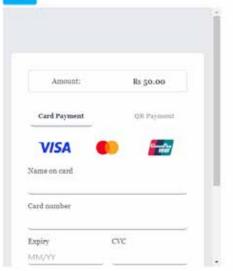
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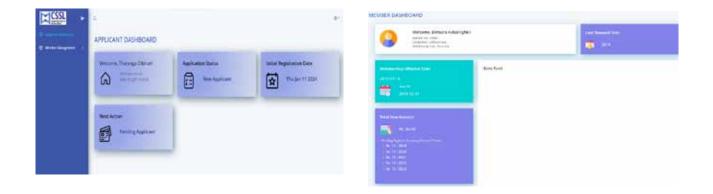
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Payment Amount : 50.00 Current Renewal Year : 2024 New Total Due Amount : 0.00 Balance : 0.00 Currency: LKR

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Digital CSSL Platform is design and developed by OLAK Technologies Private Limited, 67, S D S Jayasinghe Mawatha, Kohuwala, Nugegoda.

Professional Development

CSSL Announces Country's first ever CIO List

The Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) announced the country's first-ever National CIO List, a pioneering initiative to identify the best of the best ICT professionals in the country. The ceremony to announce the CSSL National CIO list was recently held on 12th December 2023 at BMICH in partnership with the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation, Fortinet and E-Guardian.

CSSL National CIO List will add a new dimension and shape the ICT Professional landscape of Sri Lanka. After a stringent evaluation process, following CIOS were inducted in to the Sri Lanka's first ever CSSL National CIO List.

- A. K. L. Illesinghe National Savings Bank
- J. A. A. Jayasinghe Midas Safety Group
- H. P. Senanayake Union Assurance Ltd
- K. A. S. A. Perera SLTMobitel
- K. D. Dayarathne Ceylon Biscuits Ltd
- K. M. Anoja Hemanthi Basnayake A Baur & Co
- N. Ruwanthi S. Fernando Hela Apparel Holdings Ltd
- R. C. Gunasena Hemas Holdings PLC
- Sumudu Gunawardhana Commercial Bank

CSSL President Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Chairman Rupavahini Corporation Dr. Prasad Samarasinghe, Project Chair Mr. Damith Hettihewa addressed the distinguished gathering to announce the CSSL National CIO List.

After the announcement of the list veteran banker and former MD of Hatton National Bank,

Mr. Rajendra Thiagarajah interviewed Mr. Sumudu Gunawardena, CIO of the Commercial Bank. This was the first interview of a series of interviews that would be aired on Channel Eye in weeks to come.

Recognizing the top performers and highest caliber Chief Information Officers is imperative in raising the professional standards amongst the ICT leadership in the country. CSSL as the apex professional body for ICT practitioners has developed and maintained professional standards as a key object of its mandate. National CIO list is another step in fulfilling our objectives said

Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, President of CSSL commenting on this momentous occasion.

In 2022, CSSL has invited reputable business leaders to define the characteristics of a CIO for this worthy initiative. The eminent panel consisted of veteran banker Mr. Rajendra Thiagarajah, SLCERT Chairman Mr. Rohan Muttiah, Deutsche Bank Head of Operations Mr. Prabath Wickramaratne, Lanka Bell Managing Director Dr. Prasad Samarasinghe, ESOFT Chairman Dr. Dayan Rajapaksha, University of Colombo School of Computing (UCSC) Director and CSSL President Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, Nimbus Cloud Lanka Managing Director and CSSL Immediate Past President/Project Chair of CSSL National CIO List Mr. Damith Hettihewa.

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.



Selected moments from the CIO List unveiling ceremony held at the BMICH



Tech Talk - Tracking Technologies

On 22nd February 2023, the Center for Cyber Security Leadership (CSSL) in collaboration with Edith Cowan University will be hosting a seminar on the theme of "Tracking Technologies - Now everyone can be a SPY." The distinguished speaker for the event will be Prof. Paul Haskell-Dowland, a renowned expert in the field of Cyber Security Practice. The seminar will take place at Edith Cowan University, located in ACBT. Prof. Haskell-Dowland will share his insights on various aspects of tracking technology, including Mobile Device Tracking, Apple Air Tags, and the pros and cons of these technologies. This seminar promises to be an informative session for anyone interested in understanding the implications and potential risks associated with tracking technologies.





Tech Talk - Industrial Firewalls

A technical discussion hosted by CSSL (Centre for Secure Software Languages) will take place on November 22 at 4:30 p.m. in UCSC Min Auditorium. This educational programme will cover industrial firewalls. The event will feature a speech by wellknown authority in the subject, Dr. Malka N. Halgamuwa. This presentation is expected to offer significant perspectives and understanding on industrial firewalls and their significance in safeguarding vital systems.



NuMind Education Certified UI/UX Developer Certificate Awarding Ceremony

We are glad to share this joyous occasion where talented individuals were honored for their hard work and dedication in becoming Certified UI/

UX Developers. It was an event filled with inspiring speeches, proud recipients, and a celebration of their achievements.



Horizon Campus - CSSL GenZ Chapter Launch

The CSSL new GenZ Chapter was launched at the Horizon Campus on July 12, 2023. The event took place at the Horizon Campus Auditorium. The launching ceremony was attended by Dr. Ajantha Athukorale, Mr. Damith Hettihewa, Mr. Chrisantha Silva, Mr. Upul Daranagama, Prof. S.J.B.A. Jayasekara, Mr. Ajitha Wanasinghe, Dr. Ruwan Perera, Mr. M.M. Wimalasiri, Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe, and CSSL secretarial staff. The CSSL President, Dr. Ajantha Athukorale was the guest speaker for the event. The highlights of the launch included the official inauguration of the GenZ chapter at Horizon Campus and the unveiling of the GenZ chapter website. This was a significant milestone with significant opportunities for the GenZ community at Horizon Campus.



National School of Business Management (NSBM) CSSL GenZ Chapter Launch

The next new GenZ Chapter for 2023, was launched at the NSBM University on July 19, 2023. The event tookl take place at NSBM University, FOC C2 002, with the attendance of CSSL president Dr. Ajantha Athukorale, past presidents Mr. Damith Hettihewa and Mr. Chrisantha Silva, and CSSL secretarial staff. Dr. Ajantha Athukorale, was the guest speaker for the event. The highlights of the launch include the official inauguration of the GenZ chapter at NSBM University and the unveiling of the GenZ chapter website. It was a momentous occasion that will bring significant opportunities to the GenZ community at NSBM.



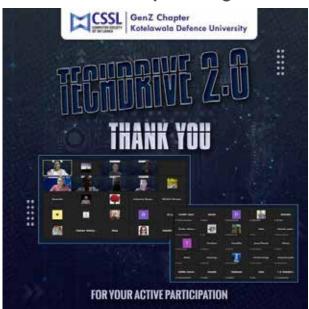
CSSL GenZ Chapter Events

General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University

The 3rd Student Symposium of Faculty of Computing of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University



The 3rd Student Symposium at KDU's Faculty of Computing, themed **"Science, Technology, and Innovations for Sustainable Development,"** was held on January 18, 2023, The Keynote speakers Dr. Ajantha Athukorale and Prof. Eun Chang Choi provided global perspectives.

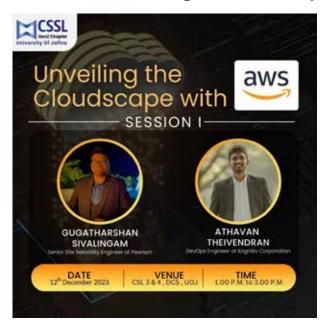


TechDrive 2.0: Empowering the Future of the IT Industry

On June 24th, 2023, the CSSL GenZ chapter of General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University hosted TechDrive 2.0, a transformative virtual event via Zoom. Targeting post-O/L and A/L students in Sri Lanka. Renowned speakers, including Mrs. DU Vidanagama and Dr. Ajantha Athukorala, shared insights into the IT industry's current landscape, career paths, and challenges.

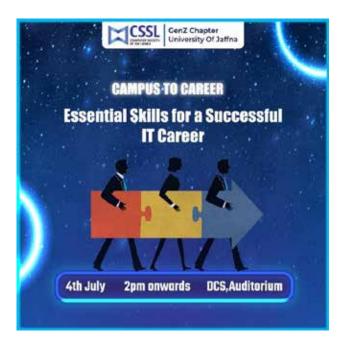
University of Jaffna

Session on "Unveiling the Cloudscape with aws



This was conducted on December 12th 2023. The speakers for the session were Mr. Gugatharshan Sivalingam, Senior Site Reliability Engineer at Pearson and Mr. Athavan Theivendran, DevOps Engineer at Kognitiv Corporation.

Talk on "Essential Skills for a successful IT career"



The session was conducted on July 4th 2023. The guest speaker for the session was Miss. Vieronicka Kanesamoorthy. The speaker discussed his own experiences and shared insights on building the necessary skills for an IT career and how undergraduates can develop them during their academic years.

Session on "Mastering the Full Stack Symphony"



The first session on "Mastering the Full Stack Symphony" was conducted on November 29th, 2023 Mr. Sankalpa Fernando, the speaker provided valuable insights into the significance of React development and covered JavaScript fundamentals.

Horizon Campus

Session on professional CV writing



The session was conducted on the 26th July by Mr. Milinda Sandaruwan, one of the graduates from the Faculty of IT of Horizon Campus



Step into programming using Scratch

The session was held on 9th August 2023 and was conducted by Mr.Niranjan Meegammana, the founder of Shilpa Sayura foundation.

Skillsprint workshop by Mentoroof



The workshop was conducted on 11th August 2023. The resource persons for the workshop were, Ms. Rushda Niyas, Corporate Consultant & Co-Founder Metoroof, Ms. Sumudu Siriwardana, Project Manager & Co-Founder Metoroof, Mr. Biman Wimalaratne, Head Coach & Creator- Acting with Biman, and Ms. Sudari Katukithule, Visiting Lecturer at Aquinas College of Higher Studies.



HACKTOPIA, A mock hackathon

The workshop was conducted on 20th August 2023 by the senior students from the faculty of IT, Mr. Mahela Siriwardena and Mr.Pavan Fernando. It was conducted in order to provide student an experience of a hackathon and to educate them about how a hackathon works. Also, a challenge was given and winners were selected as well.

A workshop on cartoon animation techniques and projects



The workshop was conducted on 24th August 2023 by Ms. Arosha Mediwake, Instructor, Information Technology and Distance Learning Hub, Ministry of Education and students from the intake 9,10 and 11 of the faculty of IT participated for the workshop.



Industry Preparation Training (IPT)



Session on Cloud computing and AI



The session was held on 7th September 2023 and conducted by a team from IFS. The purpose of the session was to educate students about the technical interviews and tips on how to face them successfully.



The session was held on 11th September 2023 and conducted by Mr. Tharindu Meepegama, Vice President Infrastructure and Dr. Sasadara Adikari, Head of AI both from Orel IT.

Session on Software Quality Assurance (IPT-2)



The session was held on 15th September 2023 and was conducted by the past graduates from the faculty of IT in Horizon Campus.

Workshop on Python (IPT-3)



The workshop on 18th September 2023, was conducted by Mr. Yohan Dhananjaya, Software Engineer (Python) at BlackSwan Technologies. He is one of the graduates from the faculty of IT in Horizon Campus. Students from intake 9 and 11 participated to the workshop.



Workshop on design thinking and problem solving

The workshop on 1st December 2023 was conducted by Mr. Sadique Salih, a member from the Mentoroof team.

A tech-talk on leveraging industry 4.0 for our economic resurgence



This tech-talk was held on 7th December 2023. The resource person was Mr. Damith Hettihewa, Managing Director of Nimbus Cloud Lanka Ltd., and the Immediate past president of CSSL.

National School of Business Management (NSBM)

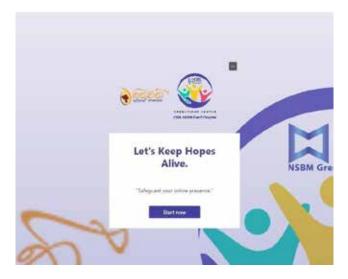
Cyber Security Awareness



This was held on 2 November 2023. The session was conducted by the esteemed "Hithawathi" Group. The program's key highlights encompassed cyberbullying prevention, preventative measures against social media hijacking, and teaching strategies for defending against online blackmail.



Online Help Center



An Operation Center was initiated at NSBM University as a proactive response to address instances of cyberbullying and online blackmail affecting members of the university. It facilitates access to guidance and assistance in navigating the legal implications of cyberbullying.

IoT project



Commencement: 1st December 2023

This initiative was taken to help our undergraduates complete any IoT related projects they have. Our dedicated team members create comprehensive documents that not only track milestones but also highlight any challenges faced during the project lifecycle and find and provide relevant help with industry professionals.

School Web Project

Commencement: 10th December 2023

Participants: LK DOMAIN REGISTRY, University Students

This project was initiated with the help of LK DOMAIN REGISTRY to help Sri Lankan school students develop websites for their schools. Volunteers were recruited and started training, with the plan of commencing the project by February 2024.

International Collaboration

CSSL represented at IFIP General Assembly and IP3 Board Meeting in Slovakia

CSSL is a member of Global ICT Professional Body International Federation of Information Processing (IFIP). IFIP was founded under the species of United Nations in 1960. A total of 56 countries are represented by respective professionals' bodies in IFIP. International Professional and Practice partnership (IP3) is the professional body accreditation arm of IFIP. CSSL

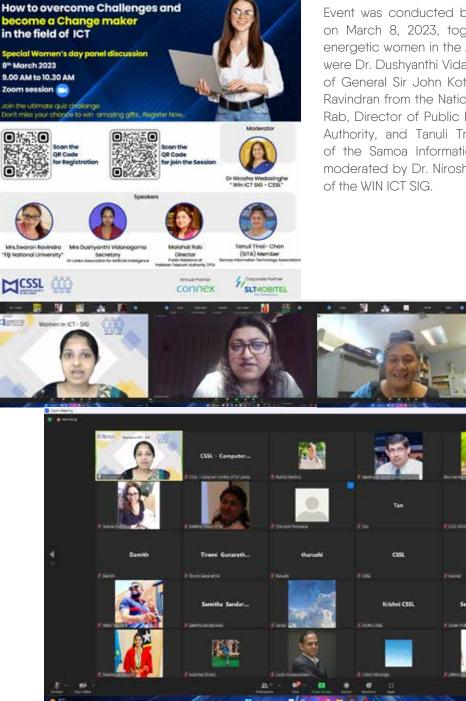
achieved IP3 Accreditation in 2022. CSSL immediate past president Damith Hettihewa represented CSSL at the IFIP General Assembly (GA) and IP3 Board Meeting at the IFIP GA held in Slovakia. The IFIP GA and IP3 Board Meeting was held 17-19 September 2023 at Falkensteiner Hotel, Pilarikova, Bratislava Slovakia.



Women in ICT

Women in IT SIG Activities

Online workshop on "How to Overcome Challengers and Become a Change Maker in the Field of IT"



Another successful Women's Day Panel Discussion Event was conducted by CSSL–Women in ICT SIG on March 8, 2023, together with enthusiastic and energetic women in the Asia Pacific region. Speakers were Dr. Dushyanthi Vidanagama of the senior lecture of General Sir John Kotelawala of Sri Lanka, Swaran Ravindran from the National University of FIJI, Malahat Rab, Director of Public Relations at Pakistan Telicom Authority, and Tanuli Tnai Chan, a fellow member of the Samoa Information Technology Association, moderated by Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe, project chair of the WIN ICT SIG.

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"Suhuruliya" National Forum 2023

Celebrating the Success of Five years in Social and Economic Empowerment of Rural Women in Sri Lanka through Digital Technologies, Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka (ICTA) together with the Ministry of Women, Child Affairs and Social Empowerment "Suhuruliya" National Forum 2023 on 15th March 2023 at BMICH. Three representatives of CSSL Women in ICT SIG, Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe, Dr. Wijendra Gunathilake, and Ms. Manoshi Ramanayaka, participated in Session which was held as the first component of the national forum to obtain input from various stakeholders, including women entrepreneurs, women development officers, industry associations, and development agencies, among others, to strategize the next phase of this initiative.



Chairperson of Women in ICT SIG Invited Speaker for the Suhuruliya National Strategy 2.0 Launch

Suhuruliya National Strategy 2.0 Launch at BMICH on November 20, 2023, with the "Unleashing women's potential in the digital economy with Suhuruliya 2.0!", national event was launched in line with DIGIECON 2030 under the Lighting Digital Capacity Building Drive. Proudly initiated by ICTA and the Ministry of Women, Child Affairs, and Social Empowerment, Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe participated as a panel discussion member representing CSSL Win ICT SIG for the event, and her discussion was included to empower women in ICT



Computer Society of Sri Lanka's Women in ICT SIG 2024: A One-Day Action Planning Workshop

Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe, together with members of the WIN ICT SIG, organized a one-day workshop to discuss a one-day action planning workshop. With our esteemed speakers, CSSL Fellow Member Ms. Nayani Fernando, Ambassador for Women in Tech Sri Lanka; Ms. Chathini Uduwana; General Manager at Sarvodaya Fusion, Ms. Maithree Malwaththegoda; Founder and CEO of Makers Global, Navindree Premarathna; representatives from different segments of the ICT industry; representatives of GenZ chapters of CSSL; and representatives from private and public sector universities. Three main groups actively contributed to the development of the strategic action plan of the WIC ICT SIG for the year 2024.



33rd Annual General Meeting CSSL

The Annual General Meeting of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka was successfully held on 11th January 2023 at Taj Samudra Hotel, Colombo.

The past presidents, fellow members & professional members participated the AGM and the $40^{\rm th}$ NITC

- Dr. Ajantha Atukorale (President)
- Dr. Parakum Amaranga Pathirana (Vice President)
- Mr. Heshan Karunaratne (Secretary)
- Mr. Indika De Zoysa (Treasurer)
- Mr. Udesh Seneviratne (Asst. Secretary)
- · Commodore Janaka Gunaseela (Asst. Treasurer)

Anniversary magazine was also launched on that day.

Dr. Ajantha Atukorale was appointed as the new president of CSSL and the new council members are as follows,

- Mr. Rasantha Hettithanthrige (Publication Secretary)
- Dr. Thilina Halloluwa (Student Counselor)
- Mr. Damith Hettihewa (Council Member)
- Dr. Shanta Rajapaksha Yapa (Council member)
- Dr. (Mrs.) Nirosha Wedasinghe (Council Member)
- Dr. Amal Illesinghe (Council Member)



33rd Annual General Meeting CSSL



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Presenting the memento to outgoing Council member Mr. Shageevan Sachithanandan



Presenting the memento to outgoing Council member Dr. Adeesha Wijayasirier

National Schools' Software Competition 2023

CSSL conducted the National Schools' Software Competition (NSSC) 2023 for the 34th consecutive year. This annual competition aims to bring out problemsolving and programming talents in school students with speed, accuracy, and team coordination in a competitive environment at national and international levels. The CSSL conducts this competition in collaboration with the Ministry of Education.

The competition consists of two rounds, where the first round is conducted at the regional level and the final round is held in Colombo. With the assistance of the Ministry of Education, we were able to cover schools in all nine regions, in two age categories (under 17 and under 19), providing opportunities for more students to participate.

The NSSC 2023 final round was held on December

10, 2023, at the University of Colombo School of Computing (UCSC). 30 students have been qualified to participate in the final round in the under-19 and under-17 categories.

The winners of the NSSC 2023 are as follows.

1st Place :

W. M. D. B. Wijesundara - Maliyadeva College, Kurunagala

2nd Place :

N. M. Karunasinghe - Royal College, Colombo 07

We wish to thank Dr. Manju and staff at the University of Colombo School of Computing for making arrangements for the exam papers and lab facilities for the competition.



The 41st National Information Technology Conference (NITC) - 2023



41st National Information Technology Conference (NITC 2023)

11th to 13th October 2023 | Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo



The 41st National Information Technology Conference (NITC) - 2023

The Computer Society of Sri Lanka successfully conducted the 41st National Information Technology Conference, which was held from October 11 – 13, 2023, at the Shangri-La Hotel Colombo. The event commenced with a grand inauguration on the 11th evening under the state patronage of Honorable President Ranil Wickremesinghe and the State Minister of Technology, Honorable Mr. Kanaka Herath as the Guest of honor. The Ministry of Technology served as the national partner for NITC 2023. The Inauguration was attended by more than 700 participants. The CSSL's annual conference serves as a premier gathering for professionals in the field of computer science and information technology.

The theme of this year's National IT Conference, "Towards a Sustainable Digital Society" reflects on the government's vision and transition to a digital economy through the DIGIECON 2030 program, which aims to accelerate Sri Lanka's economic transition to an inclusive digital economy by utilizing cutting-edge technology-based solutions.

NITC 2023 was orchestrated with the guidance of Dr. Ajantha Atukorale, who serves as the President of CSSL, with Dr. Thilina Halloluwa and Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe taking on the roles of Conference Co-Chairs. NITC 2023 was a diverse conference extending over a three-day period, featuring various activities such as the inauguration, the NITC Conference, the CSSL Awards, and a Digital Investment Summit.

NITC 2023 Conference held on 12th and 13th October, featured five distinct tracks with over 25 prominent speakers, including both local and international experts. These speakers represented the following tracks at the conference: FinTech (Financial Technology), EduTech (Education Technology), TravelTech (Travel Technology), InfoSec (Information Security) & e-Government, and eHealth (Electronic Healthcare).

The inauguration event of the NITC Conference included the CSSL Awards, which honour outstanding accomplishments made by Computing professionals on a national level. For the tenth year running, this event has been planned to reward the best and the finest Computing professionals in the nation and to encourage, recognize, and celebrate excellence in Computing practice.

- CSSL ICT Researcher of the year: Prof. Amirthalingam Ramanan
- CSSL ICT Educator of the year: Prof. S. Vasanthapriyan
- CSSL Chief Information Officer of the year: Mr. K.V. Kuganathan
- CSSL Best Founder Award: Mr. Migara Amithdhana
- CSSL ICT Student Award Postgraduate: Mr. Jaliya Lakshan Wijayaraja
- CSSL ICT Student Award Undergraduate: Mr. Chamika Ishan Sudusinghe
- CSSL ICT Student School: Mr. Mindiya Karunasinghe
- CSSL Emerging ICT Leader of the Year: Mr. Dilanka Sanjaya

A unique element of NITC 2023 was the Digital Investment Summit, which aims to bring together Sri Lankan startups and mature potential ICT companies with prospective investors to support their next stage of growth and support the country reach its goal of 15 billion US dollars in ICT exports by 2030. The Information and Communication Technology Agency (ICTA) of Sri Lanka partnered closely with CSSL to the success of this endeavor.

To support CSSL's efforts in furthering the professionalism, research, innovation and digital literacy in Sri Lanka, Mastercard has partnered as the Diamond sponsor and SLTMobitel has partnered as the Platinum Sponsor for NITC 2023, while Dell Technologies, Fortinet, Orin Corporation, Safe Project, Gennext, and MIT ESP have partnered collaboratively as the Gold sponsors for the event. Furthermore, Esoft Metro Campus has partnered as the Education Partner and Axiata Digital Labs has partnered as the Exclusive Innovation Partner. In addition, Informatics Technologies (Pvt) Ltd has joined as a Partner Sponsor as well. The electronic media partner is ITN Sri Lanka, while Prime Events has joined as the Event partner and Garvi Design Studio is the Design partner for NITC 2023.

The CSSL is proud that the commitment of its Executive Council, CSSL Secretariat staff, and supporters assisted in numerous ways to make NITC '23 a magnanimous success and gave an exemplary indication of how well the conference is organized and conducted by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka.

41st National Information Technology Conference (NITC) – 2023 Launch



NITC Press 2023 Conference at President Media Division



NITC 2023 Sponsors



41st National IT Conference 2023 Inauguration Ceremony



CSSL National ICT Awards 2022

The intention of the CSSL National ICT Awards is to honour and inspire the greatest ICT professionals who are actively contributing to the development of the ICT sector in Sri Lanka. The four main CSSL National ICT awards categories were as follows: CSSL Elite Awards , CSSL ICT Management Awards , CSSL ICT Startup and EcoSystem Awards , CSSL ICT Student Awards.



CSSL ICT Researcher of the year Prof. Amirthalingam Ramanan



CSSL ICT Educator of the year Prof. S. Vasanthapriyan



CSSL Chief Inormation Officer of the year Mr. K. V. Kuganathan



CSSL Best Founder Award Mr. Migara Amithdhana

CSSL National ICT Awards 2022



CSSL ICT Student Award - Postgraduate Mr. Jaliya Lakshan Wijayaraja



CSSL ICT Student Award - Undergraduate Mr. Chamika Ishan Sudusinghe



CSSL ICT Student – School Mr. Mindiya Karunasinghe



CSSL Emerging ICT Leader of the Year Mr. Dilanka Sanjaya

CSSL – National ICT Awards Judging – 2022

Date : 22.09.2023 Venue : CSSL Secretariat

Name of Judges

Dr. Ajantha Atukorale Mrs. Chanaki Mallikarachchi Mr. Waruna Sri Danapala Mr. Luxman Perera Dr. Malitha Wijesundara

Mr. Chirantha Sliva Mr. Chiranthi Balapatabendi Mr. Abbas Kamrudeen Ms. Nevindaree Premarathne Mr. Indika de Zoysa

National IT Conference 2023 : Day 01

Main Sessions



National IT Conference 2023 : Day 01

Parallel Session



National IT Conference 2023 : Day 02



Digital Investment Summit 2023

On October 13, 2023, the Shangri-La Hotel in Colombo hosted the 2nd edition of the Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit (SLDIS), which ran concurrently with the 41st National Information Technology Conference(NITC). The objective of the Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit is to connect established ICT companies and startups in Sri Lanka with potential investors in order to help them advance to the next phase of their growth and help the nation achieve its target of a US\$15 billion digital economy by 2030. CSSL worked to rally and unite all industry forces.

The keynote address at SLDIS 2023 was given by the vice president of the global conglomerate IDG China, and many high net worth individuals from both Sri Lanka and overseas, including State Minister of Technology Hon. Kanaka Herath, State Minister of Investment Promotions Hon. Dilum Amunugama, Chairman of the ICTA and the Digital Investment Summit 2023 Steering Committee Prof. Malik Ranasinghe, attended the summit. The DIS 2023 organizing committee was led by council member and immediate past president Damith Hettihewa.

The inaugural Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit 2022 during a period of political and financial crises

in the country. To develop a thriving tech investment ecosystem in the nation and increase ICT forex earnings to USD 5 billion in the near future, CSSL worked to rally and unite all industry forces.

At the Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit 2023, seventy startup and scaleup technology companies enrolled to give presentations. A selection of 26 businesses was made for prospective investor engagement. Ten of the twenty-six selected companies–Callerwise. co.uk, Vizuamatics.com, Synergysis.com, Spectrifyai. com, Enadoc.com, Simplebooks.com, Directpay.lk, Mintpay.lk, Synergysis.com, Spectrifyai.com, Kinq.lk, Anybanq.lk–were given the chance to present at the Summit.

A significant event in the government's DigiEcon 2023–2030 series, the Digital Investment Summit 2023 was jointly arranged by ICTA and CSSL in a publicprivate partnership. To create the foundation for a thriving tech investment ecosystem, CSSL worked to rally and unite all industry forces including Ministries of Technology, Foreign Affairs, and Investment Promotion; in addition, ICTA, BOI, FITIS, SLASSCOM, BCS, CSE, CFA, EDB, SLTDA, SLA, MasterCard, and SLTMobitel.



Digital Investment Summit 2023



nVentures join hand with CSSL's Digital Investment Summit

As a follow up event of CSSL's Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit 2023, nVentures joined hand with CSSL to organize the Founders Circle on 13th January 2024 at nVentures Premises. The Founders Circle is a follow up event of Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit (SLDIS) 2023 which strives to create a vibrant tech investment echo system targeting a USD 5 Billion tech investment and export eco system in near term. Sri Lanka Digital Investment Summit 2023 was held at Shangri-La Hotel Colombo organized for the 2nd time by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) under DIGIECON 2030 strategy of Ministry of Technology. Founders Circle is a matchmaking evening with Sri Lanka's High net worth individuals and nVentures a tech venture capital company offering exciting investment opportunities. At the Founder's Circle, Sri Lanka's nontech high net worth investors were given an opportunity to interacting with promising Tech startup companies which were selected to pitch at SLIDS 2023. nVentures manages a portfolio of Digital Tech Investments in Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Singapore and UK. Collaboration with nVentures enables traditional rich to leverage nVentures experience to pick the most promising companies to invest in and lower the risks of investor initial investments in the Tech Sector.





NITC 2023 - Committee

Conference Co-Chairs ;

- Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe
- Dr. Thilina Halloluwa

Editor- in-Chief:

• Dr. Ajantha S. Atukorale

Program Committee:

- Dr. Ajantha S.Atukorale
- Dr. Nirosha Wedasinghe
- Dr. Thilina Halloluwa
- Mr. Damith Hettihewa
- Mr. Udesh Seneviratne
- Mr. Heshan Karunaratne
- Dr. Amal Illesinghe
- Mr. Chrisantha Silva

CSSL In Media

CSSL member rises to position of Secretary of Technology





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Dr. Dharmasri Kumaratunge (right) with CSSL President Dr. Ajantha Atukorale

Dr. Kumaratunge's journey with the CSSL has been one of continuous growth and contribution. A longstanding member, he has actively participated in various initiatives, workshops, and conferences, consistently demonstrating a deep understanding of the technological landscape and a passion for its advancement in Sri Lanka

BUSINESS

Axiata Digital Labs partners CSSL for 41st National IT Conference

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Continuing its support for the 4thconsecutive year, Axiata Digital Labs, one of the Global fastest-growing and most innovative software and IT service providers, joins the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) as the exclusive innovation partner of the 41st National Information Technology Conference (NITC) 2023.

The NITCIs Sri Lanka's flagship Computing Conference, organized by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) will be held on October 11-13, at Shangri- La Hotel, Colombo.

CSSL elects new Executive Council for 2022/2023

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Treasure's Message



The Financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023 is presented with this AGM report. The key revenue contributor towards this financial year was the National IT Conference (NITC 2023) attracting a significant number of sponsors; the event was held physically at Shangri-La hotel. The total operating income for the year recorded as LKR 16,992,447.88

The Fixed deposit base was also increased by almost 7 Million and the total deposits reached to LKR 39,058,353.47. The Operating expenditure was higher this year compared to previous year due to several activities of CSSL which were conducted during the year.

Despite various challenges we have achieved a surplus for the year under consideration.

Indika De Zoysa Treasurer

Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka

Jayasinghe & Co

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS Correspondent Firm of Russell Bedford International

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Computer Society of Sri Lanka, which comprise of the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, 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 at March 31, 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows, for the year then ended, in accordance with 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 Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not for -Profit Organizations (including

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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 concern 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

Independent Auditor's Report

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.

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JAYASINGHE & CO. CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS Colombo. 30-Nov-23 AJ/IMK/1288

THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	Note	2023	2022
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net surplus before taxation		11,741,316	5,824,818
Adjustment For;			
Depreciation		235,820	252,546
Interest Income		(4,283,199)	(1,485,579)
Operating profit before working capital changes		7,693,937	4,591,785
(Increase) / decrease in receivables		1,056,203	359,385
Increase / (decrease) in accruals & payables		(433,708)	508,833
Cash generated from $/$ (used in) operating activities		8,316,431	5,460,003
WHT paid		(28,696)	(114,045)
Tax paid		(527,657)	(516,346)
Net cash flow from $/$ (used in) operating activities		7,788,774	4,943,657
Cash flows from / (used in) investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant & equipment		(383,301)	-
Interest received		1,089,789	1,485,579
Investments in fixed deposits		(6,890,344)	(7,038,362)
Net cash flow from $/$ (used in) investing activities		(6,183,857)	(5,552,783)
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		1,604,917	(609,126)
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		957,031	1,566,159
Cash & cash equivalents at the end of the year	17	2,561,946	957,031

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

THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 ST MARCH			
(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	Note	2023	2022
ASSETS			
Non Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	11	1,650,713	1,503,231
Total		1,650,713	1,503,231
Current Assets			
Fixed Deposits	12	39,058,354	32,168,009
Commissioner General of Inland Revenue	15	-	-
Receivables	13	3,193,412	996,835
Cash & cash equivalents	14	2,561,946	957,031
Total		44,813,712	34,121,875
Total Assets		46,464,425	35,625,106
FUNDS & LIABILITIES			
Funds			
Accumulated Fund		46,098,791	34,779,760
Little Drop Of Water Fund		26,000	22,500
Total Funds		46,124,791	34,805,760
Current Liabilities			
Commissioner General of Inland Revenue	15	(24,525)	21,478
Accruals & payables	16	364,160	797,869
Total		339,634	819,347
Total Funds & Liabilities		46,464,425	35,625,106

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

The Executive Council is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these Financial

Signed for and on behalf of the Council by,

THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 st MARCH (All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	Note	2023	2022
OPERATING INCOME			
Application Fees	04	141,864	20,500
Registration fees & annual subscriptions	05	1,583,888	1,881,863
Surplus from National IT Conference	06	15,274,197	7,940,639
Deficit from workshops	07	(7,500)	(34,504)
Other Income		-	1,001,260
Total		16,992,448	10,809,758
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Administration expenses	08	(8,794,999)	(6,463,007)
Other expenses	09	(739,332)	(7,512)
Net surplus from operating activities		7,458,117	4,339,239
Interest Income	10	4,283,199	1,485,579
Net surplus before taxation		11,741,316	5,824,818
Income tax expense		(481,655)	(367,511)
Net surplus for the year		11,259,661	5,457,307
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		11,259,661	5,457,307

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 31⁵™ MARCH (All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	Accumulated Fund	Little Drop Of Water	Total
Balance as at 1 st April 2021	29,322,453	26,000	29,348,453
Net surplus for the year	5,457,307	_	5,457,307
Balance as at 31 st March 2022	34,427,781	26,000	34,805,760
Prior year adjustment	411,349	_	411,349
Net surplus for the year	11,259,661	-	11,259,661
Balance as at 31 st March 2023	46,098,791	26,000	46,476,770

Our Trailblazers

CSSL Founding Council Members

- Mr. R.B. Ekanayake
- Mr. Yasa Karunaratne
- Mr. Bandusena Ranasinghe
- Mr. Thomas Martin Nithianandan Ratnasabapathy
- Mr. Ruwan Tissa Nilkamal Ratnatunga
- Mrs. Sunethra Nayeni Fernando
- Mr. Kanishka Prasanna Dewaligoda Sugathadasa
- Mr. John Nicholas Lawarence Cyril Fernando
- Mr. Nawooroonne Waduge Navaratne Jayasiri
- Mr. Mallika Widanelage Samson Weeraratne

Our Trailblazers

CSSL Past Presidents



1976/77 – 1981-1991 DR. R. B. EKANAYAKE



2001-2002 MR. K. V. NIRANJAN DE SILVA



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



2012-2013 MR. H. MAHESH PERERA



2017-2018 DR. Y.V. ABEYWICKRAMA



1991-1999 MR. Y. R. KARUNARATNE



2003 MR. L. M. C. WEERASINGHE



2008 DR. D.PRASANNA LOKUGE



2014 MR. M. AJITH SALGADO



2019-2020 MR. PRABATH S. WICKRAMARATNE



1999-2001 MR. T. L. CHANDRANATH



2004-2005 MR. P. LIONEL PERERA



2009-2011 MR. J. M. CHRISANTHA SILVA



2015-2016 DR. C. DAYAN RAJAPAKSE



2021-2022 MR. DAMITH HETTIHEWA

Past Presidents Group Photo at the AGM 2022

