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**“The biggest risk is not taking any risk... In a world that changing really quickly, the only strategy that is guaranteed to fail is not taking risks.**

**- Mark Zuckerberg**

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# President's Message 2016/17



It is with pleasure that I present this report to our members and the industry.

The CSSL is the professional association for IT professionals in Sri Lanka and I strongly believe we were able to live up to the expectations of our members and the industry this year.

It is with humble pride that I inform you that, this year, the CSSL was able to organize Sri Lanka's Biggest Ever International ICT event in the history. This was the large event platform we organized which comprised of SEARCC Conference, National IT Conference, IFIP General Assembly, SEARCC ExCo Meeting, International Schools Software Competition, Awards presentation of SEARCC International Awards and Awards presentation of CSSL ICT Awards. The six-day event attracted over 100 international delegates from almost 50 different countries around the world, including 20 overseas speakers who shared their knowledge and experience in different ICT-related disciplines.

As we all know dengue is a national problem in Sri Lanka. To combat this, we partnered with NTU, Skoll Global, Colombo Municipal Council and University of Colombo School of Computing to develop a digital solution to manage the environment and all relevant aspects better. This project was fully foreign funded, again international relations supporting us being nationally relevant.

To support new innovations, start up and emerging IT professionals we supported a hackathon event together with Garnes Labs.

Australian Computer Society's Digital Assets platform was made available for CSSL members at a discounted rate, and this was launched together with unveiling of photos of four past President's of CSSL at CSSL Secretariat.

One CIO Forum event was held catering the senior segment of our industry with the participation of many CIOs and Head of ITs.

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Previously held short workshops, SIGs etc., were all re-branded this year as CSSL Tech Talks. These events runs regularly and are well attended, which is an encouraging factor.

CSSL IT Mastermind was organized for the 6<sup>th</sup> year. The format was changed this for greater competitiveness and higher attraction by introducing a school team competition instead of individual completion. The program runs on ITN on Sundays at 6pm, with school team based competition and many other technological introductions, IT nature of it has enhanced and has attracted masses as a reality TV program giving high brand recognition for CSSL.

We maintained our relationship with University Grants Commission, and our accreditation processes are further developing. We have made major strides in making our degree accreditation process globally acceptable by entering into the process of becoming a signatory of the global standardization scheme, Seoul Accord. Our representative participated at Seoul Accord annual sessions in Alaska USA this year.

Professional and Associate Membership growth has been as usual compared to last three years. A significant growth can be seen in student membership. This is because we took a decision to not charge student membership fees this year in order to make majority of IT students CSSL members, a move that will significantly increase the associate and professional

membership in years to come, as students will convert in to senior member grades as they complete their studies. This initiative was carried out with the support of government and private sector universities and institutes.

We continued to take part in government and industry forums, representing and lobbying on behalf of our members. We maintained our stance on ETCA that foreign professionals should only be allowed after checking on their quality and also after establishing local rules to safeguard the professionals in our sector. In the meantime, the government has established the ICT Skills Council and CSSL has a representative seat in the council. We also work closely with the other organisations in the sector, for instance for the first time CSSL Annual ICT Awards were judged jointly by CSSL, SLASSCOM, FITIS and ICTA.

I am sure you would agree with me that CSSL has had a memorable year this year in its history of over forty years. This was only possible because of the support of our members, fellow members, past presidents, current and past executive council members, staff, sponsors, partners and various other stakeholders. I thank all of you for the great support and be sure for another great year ahead!

**Yasas Vishuddhi Abeywickrama**

President  
CSSL

# WHO **WE** ARE

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The Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) is the premier professional association for individuals and organizations leading the Information Communication Technology (ICT) industry in Sri Lanka. It is a rallying point for ICT professionals throughout the country and espouses the shared vision of over fifty thousand individuals ranging from ICT practitioners, academics and policy makers to other professionals in diverse fields and members of the business community. Today, the CSSL is widely regarded as both the “voice” of this influential industry segment and a “key player” in ICT development, nationally.

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# OUR VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

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## Tagline

Shaping the future of ICT Professionals

## 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

## Vision

To be the most valued professional society in Sri Lanka

## 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



# Executive Council

The Executive Council for 2016/2017 was elected at the Annual General Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The Council met almost every fortnight and had 27 council meetings and many subcommittee meetings during the year.

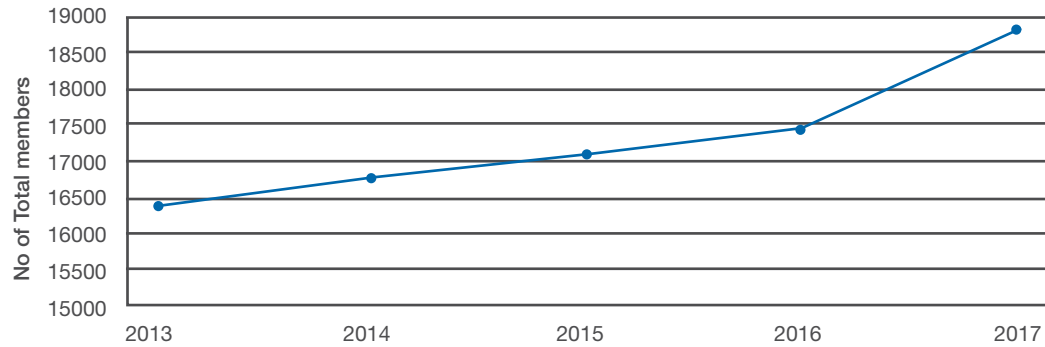


1. Mr. Yasas V. Abeywickrama - President
2. Mr. Prabath Wickremaratne - Vice President
3. Mr. Damith Hettihewa - Secretary
4. Dr. Ajantha Atukorale - Treasurer
5. Dr. Malitha Wijesundara - Assistant Secretary
6. Mr. Parakum Pathirana - Assistant Treasurer

7. Mr. Enosh Praveen- Publication Secretary
8. Dr. Samantha Thelijagoda - Student Counselor
9. Dr. Dayan Rajapakse - Council Member
10. Mr. Heshan Karunaratne - Council Member
11. Mr. Buddhika Senasekara - Council Member
12. Mr. Sajith Sameera - Council Member

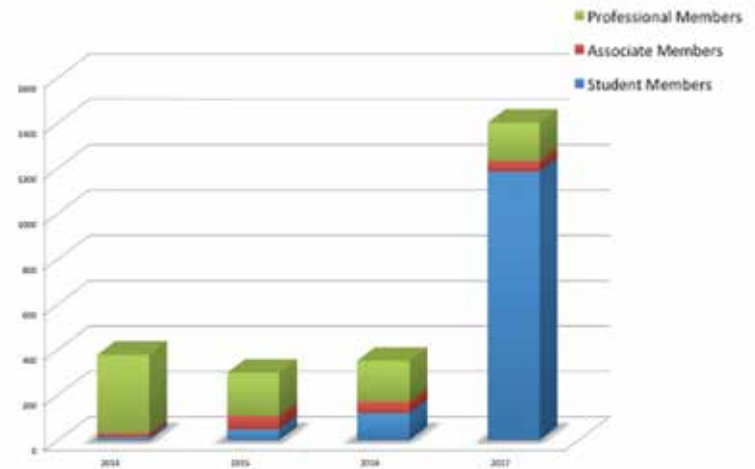
# Membership

## Membership Growth During Last Four Years



## New members added

	Student Members	Associate Members	Professional Members
2014	14	24	127
2015	48	60	190
2016	120	50	181
2017	1185	48	168



*Sri Lanka's*  
**BIGGEST - EVER**  
*International*  
**ICT EVENT**



IFIP, the global federation of national computer societies, and SEARCC, its SE Asian regional counterpart, both held annual general meetings for their key executives and decision-makers in the lead-up to the Computer Society of Sri Lanka's (CSSL) National IT Conference (NITC), which was held in cooperation with the SEARCC Conference.

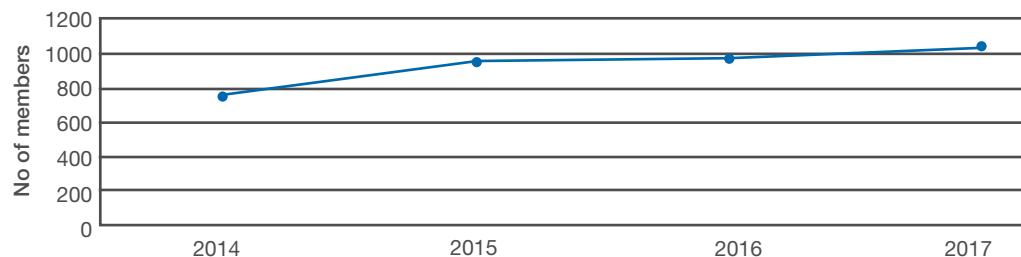
The six-day event attracted 100 international delegates from almost 50 different countries around the world, including 20 overseas speakers who shared their knowledge and experience in different ICT-related disciplines.

The multi-faceted event also included an academic stream and a two-day programming competition involving 25 high school students from around the world, in which a Taiwanese team emerged victorious.

The diversity of activities and large number of international guests and participants involving over 50 countries made this the largest international ICT event ever staged in Sri Lanka's history.

The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive and we are pleased to have provided an opportunity for local businesses and government agencies to tap into the knowledge and expertise of our international speakers and delegates, and create opportunities for future collaboration.

## NITC Participation Growth During Last Four Years



## Sponsors & Partners

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# IFIP Global General Assembly in Sri Lanka 2017





# International Schools Software Competition 2017





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**SRI LANKA**  
NOVEMBER 6–10, 2017

**#hackforhealthColombo**

The first-ever Epihack Sri Lanka was conducted at Cinnamon Lakeside hotel. Epihack Sri Lanka was organised by Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore, in collaboration with Colombo Municipal Council (CMC), University of Colombo Computer Society (UCSC), and the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL). The event is funded by Skoll Global Threats Fund (SGTF). The organising team from NTU, CMC, UCSC, and CSSL are led by Professor May Lwin and Dr. Ruwan Wijayamuni.

Epihack Colombo brought together 55 experts from 11 countries all over the world. The international collaborative effort spanned five days and facilitated an intensive environment to develop, integrate, and improve technological solutions in order to detect and reduce the impact of dengue fever in Colombo. This event required all participants to work together and create new solutions.

Epihack Sri Lanka's final objective was to develop a cutting edge participatory reporting tool with prevention strategies to battle dengue and bridge communication gaps in dengue control. This builds on the existing Mo-Buzz mobile platform used by the public health inspectors of Colombo. Government officials, health experts, and developers from Sri Lanka and the world have been collectively brainstorming and prototyping digital tools to prevent the spread of dengue. The final prototype will represent an exciting second-generation digital surveillance tool at the frontiers of technology-based global health solutions. The digital solutions created during Epihack will be open-source and accessible to all for non-commercial use. The organisers hope to empower other stakeholders to join the fight against infectious diseases around the world.





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# CSSL Announces ICT Awards 2017 Winners

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CSSL ICT Awards 2017 is the annual Information Communication Technology (ICT) industry Awards ceremony organized for the fifth consecutive time by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) in order to encourage, recognize and celebrate the excellence in ICT practice by rewarding the best and the finest of ICT professionals. The project was lead by Prof Samantha Thelijagoda, student counselor/Council Member of CSSL.

For these ICT Awards, CSSL first called nominations and applications and then conducted the selection by a panel of experts from the ICT industry as well as academia. The judging panel included -

**Mr. Shanta Yapa** - Past President of Federation of IT Industry Sri Lanka (FITIS), Software Chapter

**Mr. Geethapriya Tillekaratne** - Past Chairman, BCS the Chartered Institute for IT -Sri Lanka Section)

**Ms. Sandra De Zoysa** - Member of the board of Directors-SLASSCOM (Group Chief Customer Officer, Dialog Axiata PLC

**Mr. Ahamed Nishadh** - Representative from ICT Agency Sri Lanka

**Mr. Yasar V Abeywickrama** - President CSSL

**Mr. Prabath Samindra** – Vice President CSSL

**Prof. Samantha Thelijagoda** - Project Lead for CSSL

## The Winners

### **CSSL ICT Student award (School category) -**

Pasindu Chathuranga Wijesena

### **CSSL ICT Student award (Undergraduate category) -**

Keet Malin Sugathadasa

### **CSSL ICT Researcher of the year -**

Dr. Lakshman Jayarathna.

### **CSSL Emerging ICT leader of the year -**

Mr Mohamed Shehan

### **The Best start-up of the year –**

LIVEROOM

### **CSSL CIO of the year -**

Mr. Udana Wickramasinghe

### **CSSL ICT Leader of the year -**

Mr. Dulith Herath.





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# Yasas V. Abeywickrama elected President of SEARCC

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President of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka, Yasas V. Abeywickrama, has been elected President of the South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation (SEARCC).

SEARCC is a forum of national Information Technology professional societies in the Asia Pacific region. It was started in 1978 and it aspires to be the key collaborative body for national ICT professional associations in the Asia Pacific region, helping its members and the ICT industry in the region prosper and grow.

The SEARCC/NITC 2017 Conference recently concluded in Colombo which combined the regional SEARCC conference, drawing delegates from across Asia, the Pacific and Europe together with the annual National IT Conference (NITC) for Sri Lanka.

As is customary, the conference concluded with the transfer of the Presidency to the SEARCC member society hosting the conference. The next SEARCC conference will be hosted by the Computer Society of India (CSI) in 2018.

The concept of a regional computer confederation grew out of the first regional computer conference held in Singapore in September 1976 under the auspices of the International Federation for Information Processing and was implemented by the Singapore Computer Society. The Charter and Constitution of SEARCC were signed in Singapore on 28 February 1978.

Six national societies from the region, the Hong Kong Computer Society, Indonesian Computer Society, Malaysian National Computer Confederation, Philippines Computer Society, Singapore Computer Society and Computer Association of Thailand were the founding signatories.

The Australian Computer Society (ACS), Computer Society of the Republic of China (CSROC), Computer Society of India (CSI), South Pacific Computer Society (SPaCS), Malaysian National Computer Confederation (MNCC) and Papua New Guinea are also among the SEARCC Executive Committee members. SEARCC today is the leading confederation of IT professionals throughout the region.

# ACS - SEARCC Participation



The Executive Council Meeting of the South East Asian Computer Confederation (SEARCC) was held on 30th November 2016 in Sydney Australia. Many regional countries participated in the meeting and Sri Lanka was represented by the newly elected President of CSSL, Yasas V. Abeywickrama and outgoing President of CSSL, Dr Dayan Rajapakse.

The SEARCC ExCo congratulated the new CSSL President and wished him well in his broad strategic plan for CSSL. SEARCC offered its fullest cooperation as CSSL implements its activities in the coming year.

The SEARCC ExCo had been organised in parallel to Reimagination Conference of the Australian Computer



Society (ACS), as well as SEARCC Conference 2016, occurring on an event platform in Sydney on 30th November and 1<sup>st</sup> December. The ACS also celebrated its 50 years' anniversary during these events.

The CSSL new President Yasas V Abeywickrama started his journey with professional bodies as an activist of the ACS 10 years ago, and it was aptly that his first official engagement after being elected as CSSL President was also with Australia. Mr Abeywickrama and Dr Rajapakse engaged in various discussions with the ACS and other participating countries on getting their support and broad collaborations for the benefit CSSL members and Sri Lanka.



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CSSL Vice President Prabath Samindra Wickramaratne participated at the SEARCC Executive Council Meeting, April 2017 - China

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# Sri Lanka Participates in IT Sector Discussions within Belt and Road Initiative



The Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21<sup>st</sup>- century Maritime Silk Road, also known as the Belt and Road Initiative (B&R) is a development strategy proposed by China connecting many countries. Recently Heads of State from many countries met in China to discuss the way forward of this program.

As a step forward, an IT sector forum for Belt and Road Initiative was organised by Chinese Institute of Electronics (CIE) in Beijing China on 13<sup>th</sup> June, and Sri Lanka was represented by the CSSL President Yasas Vishuddhi Abeywickrama, where he presented on 'Sri Lanka's Digital Journey' and engaged in related discussions.

# Seoul Accord



CSSL is now in the process to become an observing member and then a signatory member. Dr Malitha Wijesundara participated at the Seoul Accord AGM in Alasaka this year. Seoul Accord Chairman Professor Kim Doon Yoon came to Sri Lanka during NITC, and presented about Seoul Accord, its importance and confirmed their support for Sri Lanka.

# CSSL TECH COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA TALK



# HackIT 2K17

by Garnes Labs

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**MAIN MEALS, SNACKS AND DRINKS THROUGHOUT THE DAY**

**MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE DAY**

**HANGOUT WITH PROFESSIONALS**

**6 HOUR CAPTURE THE FLAG TOURNAMENT FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS**

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

- PARAKRISHN POTHIRAJA**  
PRESIDENT AT CACA SRI LANKA CHAPTER
- LOSHAN WICKRAMASEKARA**  
MANAGER INFORMATION SECURITY AT FINCIBT
- RAJINAGA VARA ARAYINDARANA**  
LECTURER - SLEP SRI LANKA
- BOOMINDA ARUPSENA**  
SYSTEMS ENGINEER - SECURITY SOLUTIONS AT BELLERINA
- FARASH CHAKI**  
CYBER SECURITY MANAGER, BULLDOX ADATA PVT
- HARANI MAMANKARAN**  
SENIOR SECURITY OPERATION CENTRE ANALYST AT DIALOG ADATA PVT
- CHITHIRANGA GUNETILLAKE**  
INFORMATION SECURITY ENGINEER AT TECHCERT / A DIVISION OF DA DOMAIN REGISTRY
- ROBE FOSS**  
CO-LEADER GRUPPEN, CHAIRMAN GARNES LABS
- ALEXANDER PEDERSEN**  
CHIEF SECURITY OFFICER

**TECH TALKS BY GARNES LABS TEAM**

- THEYVIN SHIVAKIRAN**  
SENIOR LEAD CONSULTANT
- DILUSHA GONAGALA**  
SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER
- YUJINI WICKRAMANAYAKE**  
ASSOCIATE IT SECURITY ENGINEER
- S. NILAKSHAN**  
IT SECURITY SPECIALIST

**AWARDS**

SHIELDS, CASH PRIZES, CERTIFICATES AND VOUCHERS FOR AN ETHICAL HACKING COURSE FOR THE WINNERS & RUNNERS-UP

**CERTIFICATES FOR THE ALL PARTICIPANTS**

**REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN**

**DATE** : 14<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY 2017  
**TIME** : 8AM ONWARDS  
**VENUE** : GARNES LABS (PVT) LTD,  
 131, GEMUNU MAWATHA,  
 BATTARAMULLA, SRI LANKA.

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# Strategies of a World-Class Security Operations Center (SOC)

Speaker : **Mr. Wasantha Perera**

Date: **16<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

Venue : **OPA Auditorium**



# The Rise of Crypto-Currency

Speaker : **Mr. Conrad Dias**

Date: **04<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

Venue : **SLIIT Metro Campus Auditorium**



# Open Data Ecosystems

Speaker : **Prof. Dr. Raphael Volz**

Date: **12<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

Venue : **Western Province Aesthetic Resort**



## OPEN DATA ECOSYSTEMS

Open data is data and content that can be freely used, modified, and shared by anyone for any purpose. Wikipedia and OpenStreetMap have set landmark examples how rich ecosystems can thrive from open data. Governments around the world have adopted open data strategies and an increasing number of interesting data sets become available for applications. This talk showcases open data sets, interesting applications, and discusses the benefits of making data available to third parties without usage restrictions. We derive principles of what is required to create rich ecosystems around your data and how to benefit from participating in existing ecosystems.

**Date: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017 @ 5.30pm**  
**Free for CSSL members and Rs. 500 for others**  
Payment must be made before the event.  
(Terms and Conditions Apply)

**Western Province Aesthetic Resort (Next to OPA)**  
No. 275/74, Prof. Stanley Wijesandara Rd,  
Colombo 07.

**Speaker Profile : Prof. Dr. Raphael Volz**



Raphael Volz is an educator, inventor and entrepreneur. He teaches courses in data science, machine learning, and cloud computing at the University of Pforzheim (Germany) where he is a full professor of Applied Informatics. He also serves as chairman of the board for Volz Innovation GmbH, a consulting firm focused on technology-based product innovation. In 2009, he founded rogago GmbH, a software company devoted to outdoor navigation using open data and open source apps. He obtained his doctorate summa cum laude at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) in 2004 researching Web Ontology Reasoning with Logic Databases and previously investigated how ontologies can be acquired from text using machine learning techniques. He loves to code and co-created several open source projects, including the OWL API, KACON and SocialOnis.



Four men are standing on a stage during the event. The man in the center is holding a large, wrapped gift. Behind them is a large screen displaying the CSSL TECH TALK logo and a circular light projection.



To confirm participation latest by  
**Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

By email to [membership@cssl.lk](mailto:membership@cssl.lk)  
by telephone number 0112 59 2762



# Mobile Application Security - Beyond Compliance

Speaker : **Mr. Christopher Stewart**

Date: **23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017**

Venue : **OPA Auditorium**





# Awareness Program on BUSINESS CONTINUITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (BCMS)

Speaker : **Shinaj Karuwath**

Date: **13<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

Venue : **Hotel Taj Samudra, Colombo**



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## Kodak Alaris and Ninehearts sponsor the 4<sup>th</sup> CIO Forum on Information Management

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Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) and Federation of Information Technology Industry Sri Lanka (FITIS) jointly hosted the 4<sup>th</sup> CIO Forum on the important topic of “Information Management”. Kodak Alaris along with their local partner, Ninehearts Imaging, have stepped up to sponsor the event.

Information management concerns a cycle of organizational activity including acquisition, processing, storage and distribution of information. The challenges that organizations face today ranges across the spectrum; from capturing the chaos of multiple information sources such as email, paper, social media feeds, mobile messaging apps, etc., to processing and deriving meaningful information, to ensuring that it is viewed and addressed by the right personnel within an acceptable timeframe. By 2020, there will be enough data created each year to fill 11

trillion DVDs, with 90% of it being unstructured. The struggle among businesses to extract meaningful information from this data is universal.

The 4<sup>th</sup> CIO forum addressed the challenges of information management and discuss the possible solutions to tackle this scenario in the future.

The CIO Forum is a platform for CIO's (or Head' of IT) and relevant CXO's to deliberate these issues and offer insights with the help of expert practitioners. This dialogue highlighted innovations and disruptions taking place in business and elucidate how these trends will shape the future. The CIO Forum is also a great networking platform for the CIO community and industry experts. The 4<sup>th</sup> CIO forum held on Wednesday, 01<sup>st</sup> March, 2017, at the Kingsbury Hotel, Colombo.



## CSSL has launched the ACS Digital Library in Sri Lanka

It is with pleasure that we inform you that CSSL has launched the ACS Digital Library in Sri Lanka, at a discounted rate for our members. This program will give the CSSL members a digital subscription to ACS Products and Services. Usually these are available only for ACS Members. This facility will include: ICT Leaders Vodcasts – Video sessions include thought leaders, Senior Executive's and Board Members from organisations such as the ANZ Banking Group, Stone & Chalk, CSIRO, Google, Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Tabcorp, Telstra, Westpac Banking Corporation, Deloitte Access Economics, Woodside Energy and Coca-Cola Amatil, They also will have

international speakers from the US, Malaysia, India and New Zealand to name a few. Online Professional Development Digital Library – This includes over 28,000 digital learning assets with over 7,500 technical and desktop skills videos covering areas such as Cloud Computing and Virtualization, Web Development and Graphic Design, Software Design and Development, Operating Systems and Servers, Mobile Devices and Computer Skills as examples. Link - [www.acs.org.au/ppp/cssl.html](http://www.acs.org.au/ppp/cssl.html) Please login with your CSSL member details and you will have to pay the stipulated amount online to gain access.



## Bachelor of Information Technology Degree Programme of University of Moratuwa in September 2017



CSSL President Mr Yasas V. Abeywickrama was invited as the Guest of Honour the 13<sup>th</sup> Intake Inauguration Ceremony of Bachelor of Information Technology Degree Programme of University of Moratuwa in September 2017

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# SEARCC International Awards 2016

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SEARCC announced the inaugural SEARCC International Awards at a gala dinner at The Star, Sydney on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

There are three categories of individual awards for the 2016 SEARCC International Awards:

- ICT Professional of the Year
- ICT Researcher of the Year
- ICT Educator of the Year

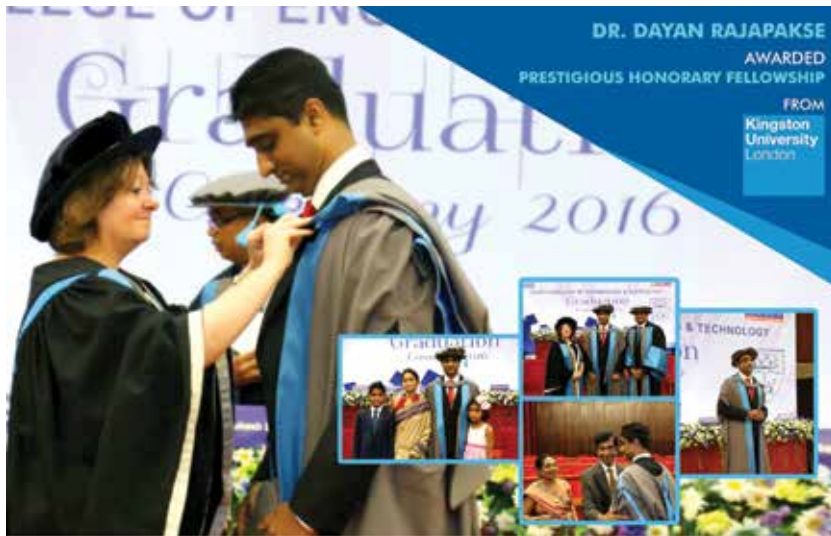
Prof. Mahesha Kapurubandara has been awarded 2nd place in the education category



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## Dr. Dayan Rajapakse awarded prestigious Honorary Fellowship from Kingston University UK

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One of Sri Lanka's premier educators and entrepreneurs, and former President of the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) Dr. Dayan Rajapakse, was awarded a prestigious Honorary Fellowship from Kingston University (UK) during the graduation ceremony at the BMICH in Colombo. Kingston is one of the top 500 universities in the world and they confer Honorary Awards on persons of distinction who enhance the reputation of the university and strengthen its mission. This award was in recognition of Dr. Dayan Rajapakse's visionary thinking and hard work which has contributed significantly to developing Kingston's

international partnership with ESOFTE; one which has already produced a number of graduate engineers who are making a real difference in the engineering landscape of Sri Lanka.

Dr. Dayan Rajapakse is the Founding Chairman and Managing Director of the ESOFTE Group which has diversified interests in Education, Software/BPO and Travel and Tourism. Educated at Maliyadeva College Kurunegala, he completed the BCS professional examination in 1993 and started his academic career as a part-time lecturer, going on to become a well-respected and highly sought-after lecturer for the BCS and ACS professional examinations within a very short period. Later, he graduated from the University of Colombo with an MBBS but gave up his medical career to continue his passion for education and training.



# Technology Management for Sustainable Development in Emerging Economies



The CSSL was a partner of iNCOTeM Conference. The Conference provided a platform for both local and international researchers and industry Experts in Technology Management, Entrepreneurship and General Management, to share knowledge, experiences, perspectives and insights in the aspects of sustainable technology management, innovation management and entrepreneurship. Therefore, the iNCOTeM Conference addressed the need and importance of the following elements which will be vital for the economies to stay ahead of competition.

- Sustainable Management of Technology
- Best Practice in Innovation Management
- Entrepreneurship and Tech-Start-Ups
- Technology related issues in General Management (Organizational Behavior, Human Resource Management, Marketing Management, etc.)

# Annual General Meeting 2016







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CSSL Council Member Mr Heshan Karunaratne has been appointed as a Director of the newly formed Sri Lanka Skills Council

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# National workshop on Information Technology Agreement



# People Leader - IT 2017



**WINNER**  
**Mr. Damith Hettihewa**  
**Secretary Computer Society Of Sri Lanka**

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## SEARCC International Awards - 2017

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**SEARCC International Awards 2017 - Prof Gihan Dias from Sri Lanka was the ICT Professional of the Year award winner**



# Unveiling of CSSL Past Presidents' Portraits





# CSSL Continued to represent interests of ICT professionals in the discussions held regarding proposed ETCA

CSSL Continued to represent interests of ICT professionals in the discussions held regarding proposed ETCA and visa regulation changes. Mr Heshan Karunaratne and other council members have continued to represent CSSL in relevant forums.

CSSL President participated at the SLIIT Convocation where Dr R B Ekanayake Award was presented to a high performing Masters Students



# IT Mastermind 2017

IT MasterMind is a Quiz Competition that is being organised jointly by the Computer Society of Sri Lanka (CSSL) with ESOF Metro Campus (ESOFT). The competition is conducted nationally covering all districts of Sri Lanka, and the programme is broadcast

on national television as a series. IT Master Mind 2017 is the sixth year that this is being organised.

The competition is open to students of National and International Schools.





We have formed a new subcommittee supporting social services through ICT. An IT system for better management of water and irrigation infrastructure, IT related panel discussions on empowering rural communities with IT, Women empowering with IT, guidance for parents for monitoring social media usage of children etc., are considered. This area will develop to be the social service arm of CSSL over time. Although we may not be able to do big things, we will do little things hence we agreed to call it the “Little Drops of Water ” Initiative of CSSL.



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# Our Trailblazers

## Past Presidents

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<b>Dr. C. Dayan Rajapakse</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>
<b>Mr. M. Ajith Salgado</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Mr. H. Mahesh Perera</b>	<b>2012-2013</b>
<b>Mr. J. M. Chrisantha Silva</b>	<b>2009-2011</b>
<b>Dr. D. Prasanna Lokuge</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Mr. D. C. A. Sattrukalsinghe</b>	<b>2006-2007</b>
<b>Mr. P. Lionel Perera</b>	<b>2004-2005</b>
<b>Mr. L. M. C. Weerasinghe</b>	<b>2003</b>
<b>Mr. K. V. Niranjan de Silva</b>	<b>2001-2002</b>
<b>Mr. T. L. Chandranath</b>	<b>1999-2001</b>
<b>Mr. Y.R. Karunaratne</b>	<b>1991-1999</b>
<b>Dr. R. B. Ekanayake</b>	<b>1976/77 , 1981-1991</b>



## Hon. Treasurer's Report

The financial statement for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 is presented with this AGM report. The CSSL has completed another successful financial year. During this year revenue has been decreased due to some projects no longer occur every year. However, CSSL was able to attract annual sponsorship during this year. The profit from NITC project was also increased marginally compared to the last year.

Dr. Ajantha Atukorale  
Treasurer CSSL

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT OF THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANAKA

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Computer Society of Sri Lanka which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2017, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in reserves and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

### Council of Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Council of Management is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Statement of Recommended Practice for Not-for-Profit Organizations (Including Non-Governmental Organizations) issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka and for such internal control as Council determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by Council, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

According to the records of the Society, Sampath Bank Current Account No. 0029 6000 1039 has a credit balance of Rs. 72,458/53 as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017, whereas as per the bank confirmation the debit balance is Rs. 709,040/54. The Society was unable to provide a reconciliation for the difference of Rs.781, 499/07 between the two balances and due to that, we were unable to satisfy ourselves as to the accuracy of the bank balance of the mentioned Sampath Bank Account, shown in the statement of financial position.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, except for the effect in preceding paragraph the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Society as at March 31, 2017, and of its financial performance and 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).

### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

As required by section 163(2) of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007, we state the following:

a) The basis of opinion and scope and limitation of the audit areas stated above.

b) In our opinion:

- Except for the effects in “Basis for Qualified Opinion” paragraph 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 organization,
- Except for the effects in “Basis for Qualified Opinion” paragraph, the financial statements of the Society give a true and fair view of its financial position as at March 31, 2017, and of its financial performance and 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),
- The financial statements also comply with the requirements of Section 151 (2) of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007.



**JAYASINGHE & CO.**

**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

Colombo.

19th October 2017

AJ/GLR/743/835/915



THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	Note	2017	2016
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>			
Net Profit / (Loss) Before Taxation		129,340.16	297,354
<b>Adjustment For;</b>			
Depreciation		406,392.88	421,181
Interest Income		(1,537,733.96)	(1,271,578)
<b>Operating Profit / (Loss) Before Working Capital Changes</b>		<b>(1,002,000.92)</b>	<b>(553,043)</b>
(Increase) / Decrease In Prepayments & Receivables		(1,220,764.11)	(36,606)
(Increase) / Decrease In Inventory Assets		-	(260,051)
Increase / (Decrease) In Creditors & Accruals		20,638.44	-
<b>Cash Generated From / (Used In) Operating Activities</b>		<b>(2,202,126.59)</b>	<b>(849,700)</b>
Tax Paid		-	-
<b>Net Cash Flow From / (Used In) Operating Activities</b>		<b>(2,202,126.59)</b>	<b>(849,700)</b>
<b>Cash Flows From / (Used In) Investing Activities</b>			
Purchase Of Property, Plant & Equipment		(45,100.00)	(110,550)
Interest Received		1,537,733.96	1,271,578
Investment In Fixed Deposits		42,275.77	(1,063,773)
<b>Net Cash Flow From / (Used In) Investing Activities</b>		<b>1,534,909.72</b>	<b>97,255</b>
<b>Cash Flows From / (Used In) Financing Activities</b>		-	-
<b>Net Cash Flow From / (Used In) Finance Activities</b>		-	-
<b>Net Increase / (Decrease) In Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>		<b>(667,216.87)</b>	<b>(752,444.81)</b>
Cash & Cash Equivalents At The Beginning Of the year		1,241,041.13	1,993,486
<b>Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents At The End Of The Year</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>573,824.26</b>	<b>1,241,041</b>

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

**THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	Note	2017	2016
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
Property, Plant & Equipment	18	2,786,351.98	3,147,645
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,786,351.98</b>	<b>3,147,645</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Fixed Deposits	19	19,909,956.08	19,952,232
Commissioner General Of Inland Revenue	20	228,186.01	277,268
Prepayments & Receivables	21	2,909,688.86	1,688,925
Cash & Cash Equivalents	22	646,282.79	1,241,041
<b>Total</b>		<b>23,694,113.74</b>	<b>23,159,466</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>26,480,465.73</b>	<b>26,307,111</b>
<b>FUNDS &amp; LIABILITIES</b>			
Unrestricted Fund		26,204,676.56	26,124,418
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>26,204,676.56</b>	<b>26,124,418</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Creditors & Accruals	23	203,330.64	182,692
Bank Overdraft	24	72,458.53	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>275,789.17</b>	<b>182,692</b>
<b>Total Funds &amp; Liabilities</b>		<b>26,480,465.73</b>	<b>26,307,111</b>

**THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA**  
**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>			
Application Fees	04	142,200.00	107,650
Registration Fees & Annual Subscriptions	05	2,969,378.50	2,917,950
Surplus/(Deficit) on National IT Conference	06	2,529,610.96	2,260,184
Surplus/(Deficit) on Workshops	07	(128,261.00)	238,450
Surplus/(Deficit) on School Software Competition	08	(91,452.00)	(706,272)
Surplus/(Deficit) on Teacher Training Project	09	-	(11,000)
Surplus/(Deficit) on CSSL Skill Certification	10	-	125,400
Surplus/(Deficit) on International Computer Driving License Fees	11	17,900.00	1,509,994
Surplus/(Deficit) on Dinner Dance	12	(964,134.10)	(1,031,853)
Surplus/(Deficit) on Cricket Match Tournament	13	-	(92,535)
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>			
Rent Income		104,000.00	90,000
Other Income		77,270.00	67,250
Sponsorship		250,000.00	-
Payables Written Back		15,500.00	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,922,012.36</b>	<b>5,475,218</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b>			
Programmes & Workshops	14	-	(48,950)
Administration Expenses	15	(6,298,507.95)	(6,380,498)
Other Expenses	16	(31,898.20)	(19,993)
Net Surplus /(Deficit ) On Operating Activities		(1,408,393.79)	(974,224)
<b>Interest Income</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1,537,733.96</b>	<b>1,271,578</b>
<b>Net Surplus /(Deficit ) Before Taxation</b>		<b>129,340.16</b>	<b>297,354</b>
Income Tax		(49,082.00)	-
<b>Net Surplus /(Deficit ) After Taxation</b>		<b>80,258.16</b>	<b>297,354</b>

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**THE COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN RESERVES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2017**

(All Amounts Are In Sri Lanka Rupees)	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Balance As At 01<sup>st</sup> April 2015</b>	<b>25,827,064.05</b>	<b>25,827,064.05</b>
Net Surplus/ (Deficit) For The Year	297,354.35	297,354.35
<b>Balance As At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016</b>	<b>26,124,418.40</b>	<b>26,124,418.40</b>
Net Surplus/ (Deficit) For The Year	80,258.16	80,258.16
<b>Balance As At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017</b>	<b>26,204,676.56</b>	<b>26,204,676.56</b>

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