



# Engineering Excellence Awards 2024

Annually, the Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka (NSW Chapter) presents the Engineering Excellence Awards to celebrate exceptional accomplishments in engineering across these four categories:

- Best paper published.
- Best applied engineering project.
- Best innovation and/or invention.
- Professional recognition awards

Both highly commended and winning entries will be awarded in each of the first three categories.

Please find the application forms at the end of this document.

## Benefits of Entering

The Engineering Excellence Awards aim to acknowledge the contributions of engineers of Sri Lankan background residing in NSW or ACT to ecologically sustainable development, community well-being, and the delivery of cost-effective, innovative, and exceptional engineering solutions.

All shortlisted applicants will present at the 2024 Engineering Convention and receive recognition at the Engineers Gala Dinner 2024.



## • Categories

### ○ Best paper published

The paper must have been presented or published in a national or international conference or magazine within the last five (5) years.

An electronic copy of the paper must accompany a completed nomination form available on the Chapter website

### ○ Best innovation and/or invention

An innovation involves deviating from established doctrines, practices, or forms by applying new ideas, methods, or techniques. It typically introduces something new, like a method or device, to enhance product value for the benefit of the enterprise and its customers.

The innovation or invention must have occurred within the last five (5) years. The nominee must be an individual or a key team member responsible for the innovation (or invention) in Australia.

An electronic submission must include a description, photos of the innovation/invention with references, and a completed nomination form available on the Chapter website. The nominee's role must be clearly defined in the submission.

### ○ Best applied engineering project

The nominee must be a key member of the project team based in Australia. The nominated project must have been completed within the last five (5) years.

An electronic submission must include a description, photos of the project with references, and a completed nomination form available on the Chapter website. The nominee's role must be clearly articulated in the submission.

The project should demonstrate a positive community impact, which may relate to cost-benefit analysis, timely execution, sustainability principles, or social and economic benefits to the community



## Conditions of Entry

- Each nomination must be proposed and seconded by two current members of the Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka.
- Individuals can be nominated for multiple awards but are eligible to win only one award per year.
- The Judges' decision is final, and no further correspondence will be entered into.
- The panel of judges consists of independent industry professionals with no affiliations to any members of the IESL-NSW committee. Judges must disclose any conflicts of interest to the committee and request a replacement if necessary.
- None of the judges are current committee members of IESL-NSW.
- Nominees are responsible for covering all costs associated with preparing their submissions

## Eligibility criteria

- The nominee must hold an engineering degree recognized by the Institution of Engineers (SL) or Engineers Australia or must be eligible for membership with the Institution of Engineers (SL).
- The nominee must be of Sri Lankan background, and either a permanent resident or citizen of Australia, or currently residing in NSW or ACT.
- The nominee cannot currently be a member of the IESL-NSW committee or have served on the committee within the past five years.
- The nominee cannot have held the positions of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, or Treasurer on any previous IESL-NSW committee.

## Evaluation Criteria

The individual submission will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Scope of the nominee's involvement.
- Originality.
- Innovation.
- Impact on the community and environmental sustainability
- Solutions to engineering challenges
- Demonstration of sound engineering principles in practice



## Award ceremony

Shortlisted applicants will present at the Engineers' Convention 2024 on Friday, October 4th, 2024, at the Epping Club located at 45-47 Rawson Street, Epping. The Awards will be announced during the Engineers' Gala Dinner on Saturday, October 5th, 2024, also at the Epping Club.

## Submission

All nominations shall be E-Mailed to: [awards@ieslnsw.org](mailto:awards@ieslnsw.org) and copy to [chair@ieslnsw.org](mailto:chair@ieslnsw.org)

All inquiries regarding these awards shall be directed to:

Chair IESL NSW Chapter - Eng. Dhammika Gunaratne [chair@ieslnsw.org](mailto:chair@ieslnsw.org)

## Closing date

Nominations will close on **1<sup>st</sup> of September 2024**



## Engineering Excellence Awards 2024 Nomination Form

This nomination form shall be submitted with all papers nominated for the Awards

Award Category	
Name of the Nominee	
Address	
Phone No.	
E-Mail Address	
University (Engineering degree)	
Year of graduation	
Title of the Paper/Innovation/Project	
Proposed by Name/signature IESL Member No.	
Seconded by Name/signature IESL Member No.	
Applicants signature	

Note: Please attach a copy of the nominated paper or a description and photos of the innovation or the project as applicable.