Dear fellow members,

IES has come a long way since our establishment in 1966 to reach our current stature, making new headway every year in the advancement and promotion of the science, art and profession of engineering for the well-being of mankind.

Our membership base has grown steadily over the years, with 500 new members joining us this year. I would like to welcome all new members to our institution. It is our goal to provide you with the best opportunities for professional development and membership networking.

We are pleased to present a new edition of the IES directory to our members, to act as your bridging tool to like-minded IES members from a myriad of engineering disciplines. With this directory, you can uncover opportunities to exchange ideas with the engineering community and establish collaborative partnerships to drive engineering contributions to the Singapore society. This year, besides receiving the publication and CD-Rom, you will also be able to access a digital version of the directory in the members’ portal on the IES website. We hope that in this way, you can find another member’s contact details with greater ease.

I am pleased to take this opportunity to update you about major developments at IES. The new annex on the Bukit Tinggi premises is going to be completed very soon. Housing a members’ area, training rooms and an open terrace, the new building will provide all our members with a place for networking and professional development sessions.

In celebration of Singapore’s 50 years of independence and IES’ upcoming 50th anniversary, IES launched the IES-SG50 campaign earlier this year. We have started running an unprecedented series of 50 engineering talks and will be producing the exclusively-minted IES-SG50 Golden Jubilee Medallion, to honour engineers who have moulded our nation into the vibrant and thriving city it is today. Apart from celebrating engineering achievements in the past five decades, we also target to engage the next generation of engineers with these activities. Funds raised from the medallion will be channeled to the IES-SG50 Golden Jubilee Scholarship Fund to support needy students with a passion for the engineering field. We hope you will join us in this effort to develop our future engineering talents.

This year, IES also marked a significant milestone when we accredited a total of 41 engineers from the aerospace, chemical & process, environmental & water, marine & offshore and systems engineering sectors under the IES Chartered Engineers Programme for their professional competence. The Chartered Engineer title provides engineers, whom fields do not require them to be registered as Professional Engineers, an external validation of their experience, expertise and practicing competence; and a quality mark that raises the standing of engineers in the society. We encourage members to join the programme and receive the accreditation you deserve and pave the way for greater career advancement.

As our valued member, you play an important role in helping IES and the engineering profession reach greater heights. We look forward to having your active participation and feedback on how we can support your professional needs. If you would like to do your part for the engineering field, you can also contribute by joining the IES committees or volunteer to mentor new engineering professionals.

We look forward to your support to make IES an institution where engineers grow their careers and contribute to the society with us.

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The Institution of Engineers, Singapore