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**Mr. Chuck Kho**  
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Dear Sir,

## **INVITATION TO THE FIDIC ASIA-PACIFIC CONFERENCE 2026 – COLOMBO, SRI LANKA**

As you are aware, the **Association of Consulting Engineers, Sri Lanka (ACESL)** is the national body representing consulting engineers in Sri Lanka and is affiliated with the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC). Established in 1980 and incorporated by Act No. 42 of 2003 of the Parliament of Sri Lanka, ACESL comprises leading consultancy firms and distinguished professionals committed to advancing excellence within the engineering consultancy sector.

ACESL has had the privilege of successfully hosting the FIDIC Asia-Pacific Annual Conference on previous occasions, notably in 2012 and 2018. Following the decision taken at the most recent FIDIC-ASPAC Conference and AGM in Bali, we are honoured to host the **FIDIC Asia-Pacific Conference 2026** in Colombo, scheduled for **15th, 16th, and 17th November 2026** at the **Cinnamon Grand Colombo**.

The theme of the Conference, **“AI Revolution in Engineering & Project Implementation,”** reflects the transformative changes shaping our industry. The event is expected to attract over 300 delegates from more than 26 countries across the Asia-Pacific region, including senior representatives of FIDIC, global industry leaders, academics, and professionals from diverse engineering disciplines.

On behalf of ACESL, it is our great pleasure to extend a warm invitation to your esteemed Member Association to participate actively in this landmark event. **We kindly encourage your members to contribute by submitting abstracts and full papers, and to attend the conference to share knowledge, foster collaboration, and engage with emerging global trends.**

Beyond the technical programme, we are delighted to offer participants an **enriching experience of Sri Lanka**—an island renowned for its breathtaking landscapes, from golden beaches and lush tea plantations to ancient heritage cities and vibrant urban life. Delegates will have the opportunity to experience the country’s rich cultural traditions, warm hospitality, and diverse cuisine, complemented by curated city tours, heritage visits, and cultural performances. We are confident that your participation will be both professionally rewarding and personally memorable.

Please find attached the **Conference Bulletins** circulated among Asia-Pacific Member Associations, along with the **tentative conference programme** for your information.

We would be pleased to provide any further information you may require and sincerely look forward to your valued participation and support in making this event a resounding success.

Yours faithfully,

**THE ASSOCIATION OF CONSULTING ENGINEERS – SRI LANKA (ACESL)**

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### THEME: AI REVOLUTION IN ENGINEERING & PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

#### PROGRAM IN BRIEF

Nov 15, 2026 : Registration and welcome cocktail,  
Nov 16, 2026 : Inaugural Ceremony | Technical Sessions | Panel Discussions | Gala Dinner  
Nov 17, 2026 : Technical Sessions | Panel Discussions | Closing Ceremony

#### REGISTRATION FEE

For international Delegates : USD 750 | Early Bird offer - USD 700 (Ends on July 01, 2026)  
For Accompanying person : USD 300 (Welcome cocktail & Gala Dinner)

#### DATES FOR PAPER SUBMISSIONS

Submission of Abstract - May 15, 2026  
Acceptance/Comments on Abstract - June 30, 2026  
Submission of Full Paper - August 15, 2026  
Acceptance of full paper - Sept 10, 2026  
Submission of slides - Oct 10, 2026

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# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

### SUB TOPICS

- Future of Engineering in the AI Era
- AI, BIM & Advanced Digital Tools in Engineering Design
- Smart Construction Technologies
- Young Professionals & Future Leadership in the Digital Era
- Digital Contract Management & Intelligent Project Controls
- Technology in Dispute Avoidance & Resolution

SUBMISSION  
DEADLINE

**15 May**  
2026

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Session 1

**Future of Engineering in the AI Era**

Possible paper areas:

- AI readiness and digital maturity in the Asia-Pacific region
- Workforce transformation, reskilling & future competencies
- Economies of scale for adopting AI by engineering companies

Session 2

**AI, BIM & Advanced Digital Tools in Engineering Design**

Possible paper areas:

- BIM implementation
- Generative design
- Digital twins
- Case Studies

### Session 3

#### **Smart Construction Technologies**

Possible paper areas:

- Possible areas of using AI in construction
- AI and Safety in construction
- Economic benefits

### Session 4

#### **Young Professionals & Future Leadership in the Digital Era**

(any of the areas given in the other sessions)

### Session 5

#### **Digital Contract Management & Intelligent Project Controls**

Possible paper areas:

- AI-assisted contract management
- Blockchain in procurement
- E-contract administration
- Automated progress monitoring

### Session 6

#### **Technology in Dispute Avoidance & Resolution**

Possible paper areas:

- Digital claims management
- AI-assisted document review
- Data analytics in claims

### Session 7

- Panel Discussion