IEEE IES South-East Asia Chapters Leaders Workshop organised at Hotel MaRadha, Colombo, Sri Lanka on 13 September 2024.

The IEEE Industrial Electronics Society (IES) as part of its commitment to help and support IEEE members around the world conducted South-East Asia Chapters Leaders Workshop organised at Hotel MaRadha, Colombo, Sri Lanka on 13 September 2024. **Mahmadasraf A. Mulla** – Chair, IEEE Gujarat Section Jt. Chapter, IES/IAS/PELS (CH10148) and Associate Professor, Electrical Department, SVNIT, Surat attended the workshop and presented chapter activities.

The program begins with Welcome from the Local Hosts Dhammika Bandara Marasinghe, Chair, IEEE Sri Lanka Section and Kavinga Upul Ekanayaka, Chair, IES Sri Lanka Chapter. Various activities and initiatives taken by IEEE Sri Lanka section was elaborated. The welcome address was followed by **Prof Yousef Ibrahim**, Growth Centre Project Coordinator, IES welcome the chapter leaders and brief about IES. Prof Yousef presented the Best Practice of Managing IEEE's Chapters, IEEE tools and Resources. The objective of organising this workshop and different IES Support Schemes for Chapters & Members at Large was elaborated. Total 10 different IES chapter leaders, 06 executive committee members of IES Sri Lanka Chapter and IEEE Sri Lanka Section chair attended the workshop.

Group photograph of workshop attendee.

After a tea break each chapter chair was asked to present about their Chapters Status and Activities. Chapter's characteristics including statistical information, composition, gender diversity, academics/industry participation, rate of growth etc. were discussed. Mahmadasraf A. Mulla presented committee composition, ongoing activities, future plans and achievement of IEEE Gujarat Section Jt. Chapter, IES/IAS/PELS (CH10148).

After a lunch break Groups Activities SWOT ANALYSIS for the Chapters' Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, (Specific to each chapter and to South-East Asia in General) vision, growth, Collaborative projects, and initiatives was done.

Finally, after a Tea break exercise to drawdown and design of a road map for each chapter individually based on the chapter's challenges and opportunities was carried out. A 3-to-5-year plan of the chapter was prepared and presented by each chapter chairs.

In the convulsive part Open Forum and Roundtable discussion for possible collaborative projects among group members were carried out. The program concludes with conclusive remarks from by Prof Yousef Ibrahim in keeping the momentum and suggested to initiate the South-East Asia Chapters Conference. The delegates thank Prof Yusuf in bringing all South-East Asia Chapters together and sharing useful information related to IES activities and funding. The delegates acknowledge and thank Dhammika Bandara Marasinghe, Chair, IEEE Sri Lanka Section and Kavinga Upul Ekanayaka, Chair, IES Sri Lanka Chapter for excellently organising the workshop.