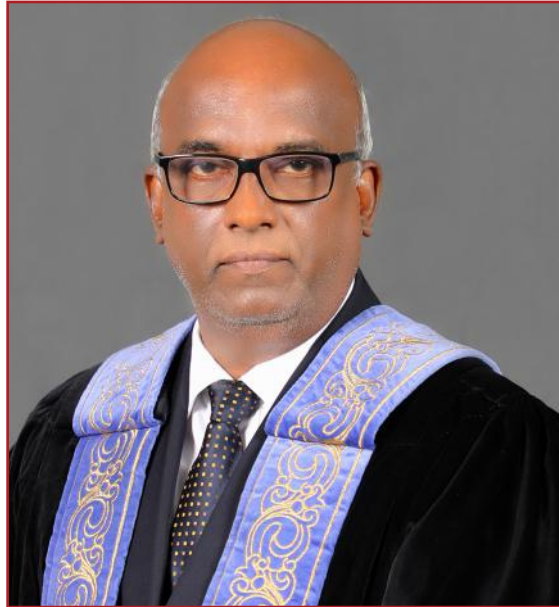




## PROF. PKS MAHANAMA HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR



Prof. PKS Mahanama of the Department of Town and Country Planning has been appointed as the Deputy Vice Chancellor of the University on 08<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Prof. PKS Mahanama holds a BA Hons in Geography from the University of Kelaniya and MSc in Town & Country Planning from University of Moratuwa. He is a Fellow member of Institute of Town Planners Sri Lanka. Prof. Mahanama Joined the academic staff of the Faculty of Architecture in 1992 and since then served the Department of Town & Country Planning, University of Moratuwa. He was the Head, Department of Town & Country Planning, University of Moratuwa from 2005 until he assumed duties as the Dean, Faculty of Architecture

in 2008. Since then, he served as the Dean for two consecutive periods from 2008 to 2014. Furthermore, he served to the university in different capacities as Chairman of the Senate Research Committee, Co-Chairman of The Board of Residence and Discipline, Director OTS of HETC project and Chairman of the Master Plan Committee. Prof. Mahanama is a Chartered Town Planner and served as the President of Institute of Town Planners, Sri Lanka for the period from 2012-2014.

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## Research Initiatives, Accomplishments & Disseminations

### 02<sup>nd</sup> International Conference in Technology Management (iNCOTeM 2018)



The 02<sup>nd</sup> International Conference in Technology Management (iNCOTeM 2018) organized by the Department of Management of Technology, Faculty of Business, University of Moratuwa was held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at BMICH. This year's theme was 'Role of Business Technology in Knowledge Driven Economies'. The inauguration ceremony of MBA in Management of Technology/ Entrepreneurship 2018 was held concurrently. This occasion was graced by the Vice Chancellor Prof. Kapila Perera. Prof. Azizi Ismail, former Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research) of Universiti Utara Malaysia delivered the key note speech about new initiatives



of Malaysian Higher Education Sector. The Guest of Honour, former Vice Chancellor of University of Moratuwa, Prof. Ananda Jayawardane focused on the importance of management of technology in his speech. Dean of the Faculty of Business; Prof. Niranjana Gunawardana, Dean of the Faculty of IT; Eng. PM Karunaratna, Heads of the Departments, academics, presenters, administrative staff of the University, past and present MBA students,

undergraduates of the Faculty of Business, invitees and industrial representatives participated in this occasion. Dr. Indrajana Mahakalanda chaired the conference.

### E- Forum 2018 [From front page]



The E-Forum 2018, an initiative taken by the Electronic Club, the official student body of the Department of Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering of University of Moratuwa was held on 29<sup>th</sup> of January 2018 at the BMICH for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive time. The theme was to propel the national economy with electronics niche areas such as Semiconductor IP core and EDA tool chain development, Robotics and automation and Software hardware co-design. The event was dignified by the presence of Chancellor, Prof. KKYW Perera, Vice Chancellor, Prof. KKCK Perera and Dean of Faculty of Engineering, Prof N Wickramarachchi. Prof. Rohan Munasinghe, the Head of the Department of Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering addressed the gathering about the Department and rise and decline of the telecommunication industry. Launching the 2018 edition of the "e-Carrier" magazine was one of the key events in the Agenda of E-Forum 2018. It is the official annual publication of the Electronic Club. This night showcased the presentations of some of the most brilliant final year projects of the students and fruitful discussions and talks by notables representing the industry. The event was organized under the auspices of Synopsys, the Gold Partner, Millennium Information Technologies, E carrier 2018 Partner and Zone 24/7.



### **Dr. Indrika Rajapaksha Delivers a Lecture at ‘Cities and Climate Change Science Conference’, 5-7 March, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada**

Cities 2018, Co-sponsored by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is a significant conference in advancing the global understanding of how climate change will impact cities and the role of cities in tackling climate change. As a guest lecturer, Dr. Indrika Rajapaksha delivered her lecture; “Exploring the urban built form, atmospheric pollution and exposure assessment: Case of a developing Asian megacity in tropics “ at the session on “Urban mobility and Climate Change in Cities”.

Main aims of this conference were to improve scientific knowledge and to stimulate research underpinning effective and efficient urban responses to climate change, as well as to provide inputs for the products of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). Therefore, this lecture and discussion contributed to filling a lacuna in existing knowledge and outlining

the future research agenda for climate change initiatives of Sri Lanka.

### **Paper Presentation at IEEE ICCTCT 2018**



WGRMPS Rathnayake, a batch 13 student of Faculty of Information Technology presented two research papers at the International Conference on Current Trends towards Converging Technologies (IEEE ICCTCT 2018) held from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2018 at SVS College of Engineering, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India. Titles of the two research papers are “Usage of Mixed Reality for Military Simulations” and “Google Maps Based Travel Planning & Analyzing System (TPAS)”. The research projects were carried out under the supervision of Dr. Mohamed Fazil Mohamed Firdhous, Senior Lecturer, Department of IT, Faculty of Information Technology.

## Conference on Digital Technologies for Enhancing Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience



Co-creation workshop and a conference of the MOBILISE (Multi-agency Collaboration Platform for Building Resilient Communities) research project was held on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018, at the Mount Lavinia Hotel. Co-Investigator of the project, Dr. (Mrs.) Udayangani Kulatunga (Department of Building Economics), Project Co-lead, Dr Chandana Siriwardane (Department of Civil Engineering) and research students involved in the MOBILISE project attended the event. Following the two-day event, academic and practitioner liaison meeting was held on 1<sup>st</sup> of March to establish a research and innovation platform for disaster risk management in Sri Lanka. MOBILISE research project is funded by the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) and lead by University of Salford, UK. The main partnering countries of the project include UK, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, and Malaysia.

## Guest LECTURES

### Guest Lecture - Current Status and Future of Sri Lankan Power System



Power system is a crucial aspect of any country. In order to upscale the knowledge of the students future personals whom to vest the responsibility of country's power system a guest lecture was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2018 at the Seminar Room, Department of Electrical Engineering. The workshop was conducted by two engineers from Ceylon Electricity board, Dr. HM Wijeeekoon Banda, Chief Engineer (Transmission Planning) and Mr. MBS Samarasekara, Chief Engineer (Generation Planning). The main concern of the lecture was to hand down knowledge about the current status and future commitments of Sri Lankan power system to the undergraduates. Mr. MBS Samarasekara explained present status of Sri Lankan power generation, proposed capacity additions to the generation network, environment aspects on power generation and commitments from CEB, comparison of energy mixes of the other countries and Sri Lanka. Dr. HM Wijeeekoon Banda explained about present transmission network and its development, future transmission investment commitments, HVDC link between India and Sri Lanka. The guest lecture was successfully held for about two hours with the interaction of academic staff and undergraduates.



### Guest Lecture on Contemporary Issues in Operations and Supply Chain Management

A guest lecture on Contemporary Issues in Operations and Supply Chain Management was organized by Faculty of Business, University of Moratuwa on 16<sup>th</sup> February from 1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. at Auditorium 02 in L-Block. Prof. Amrik Sohal from University of Monash, Australia was the resource person.

## Academic PROGRAMS



### Fresher's Welcome - MBA – MOT & Entrepreneurship 2018

Fresher's welcome of MBA- MOT & Entrepreneurship 2018 was organized by MBA 2017 batch on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at Golden Rose Reception Hall, Boraesgamuwa. The chief guest of the evening was Prof. KKCK Perera (Vice Chancellor of University of Moratuwa) and Prof. AKW Jayawardane (Former Vice Chancellor of University of Moratuwa) graced the event as the guest of honor. It was a resplendent soiree filled with entertainment where talents of future managers were showcased.

### The Inauguration Ceremony of MSc / PG Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health Management 2018/2019



The inauguration ceremony of the degree programme MSc / PG Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health Management 2018/2019 was held on 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2018 at Department of Building Economics. Chief Executive Officer of Camso Loadstar (Pvt) Ltd, Mr. Koenraad Pringiers was the Chief Guest of the event. The Dean, Faculty of Architecture, Prof. Lalith De Silva, Head of the Department of Building

Economics, Dr. (Mrs.) Yasangika Sandanayake, Course Coordinator, Dr. (Mrs.) Nayanthara De Silva, members of the academic and nonacademic staff of the Department and the students of the post graduate course, participated in the event. This is the fourth intake of the degree programme MSc /PG Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health Management.

### Joint PhD Programme and Collaborations with Deakin University, Australia

Prof Lalith de Silva, the Dean, Faculty of Architecture, University of Moratuwa, visited Deakin University, Australia, on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Prof. de Silva met with A/Prof. Chunlu Liu, School of Architecture & Built Environment, Geelong Waterfront Campus, and Prof. Bas Baskaran, Associate Dean (International), Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus, to discuss possible collaborations and Joint PhD programmes between the two universities. Furthermore, the discussions progressed on 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2018, as Prof. Kapila Perera, Vice Chancellor, University of Moratuwa, Dr. (Mrs.) Thanuja Ramachandra, Director of Postgraduate Studies, Faculty of Architecture, and Prof. de Silva had a meeting with A/Prof. Luis Afonso, International Coordinator, Deakin University, regarding future collaboration between the two universities at Colombo Hilton. The programme will include collaboration in establishing 'Pitipana Research Zone, joint PhDs, and Scholarships.

### Inaugural Speech at ICIRCC'18



Dr. Lochandaka Ranathunga, the Head of the Department of Information Technology, Faculty of Information Technology delivered the Inaugural Speech at the International Conference on Informatics, Robotics, Construction & Communication (ICIRCC'18) held on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at PERI Institute of Technology, Chennai, India. The topic of his speech was "Emergence of Telepathy Computing".

## Foreign VISITS



### **Deputy Director General of Higher Education at the Ministry of Higher Education of Malaysia visits the Faculty of Business**

Prof. Noor Azizi Ismail, Deputy Director General of Higher Education at the Ministry of Higher Education in Malaysia visited the Faculty of Business on 09<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Prof. Azizi was the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM), Dean of Othman Yeop Abdullah Graduate School of Business, UUM, and Dean for Research and Innovation, College of Business, UUM prior to the current appointment. He met the Vice Chancellor of University of Moratuwa Prof. Kapila Perera. Later, he discussed avenues for collaborations with the Dean of the Faculty of Business, Heads of the Departments of Faculty of Business and academic staff members.

### **Collaborative Workshop on Handloom Industry & Different Loom-Weaving Practices**



Prof. Bärbel Schmidt, Dr. Lucia Schwalenberg and a group of ten students of Department of Textile Design and History, Osnabruck University, Germany visited the University of Moratuwa on 8<sup>th</sup> of March 2018 for a collaborative workshop with Department of Integrated Design. Through a workshop series, students of Osnabruck and Level-Two students of Department of Integrated Design exchanged their ideas and research findings about the Sri Lankan handloom industry and different loom-weaving practices. At the end of the workshops, an exhibition was arranged to present the group findings. Main purposes of the visit were to conduct a comprehensive workshop series regarding fashion and textile design education and practices to build an initial discussion on academic and educational cooperation between the institutions to explore potential academic partnership agreements and collaborative activities.

### **Invited Talk at the International Workshop on Nanodevice Technologies (IWNT) 2018, Hiroshima University**



Extending the collaboration between the University of Moratuwa (UOM) and the Hiroshima University (HU), Dr. Anjula De Silva delivered a talk at the IWNT 2018 held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March titled 'Dry electrode in non-invasive electrophysiology'. The talk mainly focused on combining electronic IC design and biomedical expertise in UOM and unique IC fabrication facility in HU where next generation 4 nm technology is used. Eminent researchers from Japan, UK, France and the USA also delivered invited talks during this workshop. Prof. Shin Yokoyama was instrumental in inviting and hosting this event. In addition, he took the initiative to facilitate ENTC undergraduate students to participate in a fully sponsored week-long IC design training session at the HU annually since last year.

## COLLABORATION

### MoU between University of Moratuwa and East China University of Science and Technology (ECUST)

As an initiation of a long term academic program between UoM and ECUST, an MoU was signed between both institutions on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. According to the MoU, the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering (DCPE) is the direct beneficiary



and both institutions are looking forward to sharing their expertise in petroleum process engineering. ECUST agreed to send experts to develop the undergraduate petroleum process engineering curriculum of the DCPE and to provide training for the academic staff. Furthermore, the ECUST is to provide postgraduate scholarships for the DCPE graduates as per the mutual understanding established during the subsequent discussions.

The ECUST is one of prominent universities in China located in Shanghai with close ties to the central government of People's Republic of China and also Shanghai government and highly focused on science and technology areas. Currently, there are more than 16,300 full time undergraduates, 8,500 graduate students studying at ECUST. The number of faculty and staff members has reached 3,700 among whom there are about 1,000 professors and associate professors.

## Student ACHIEVEMENTS

### Global Rankings for Bachelor of Landscape Architecture {BLA (hons)} Comprehensive Design Project, CDP.

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The proposed National Geo Monument Park at Alagalle Mountain range-Kandy by Nipun Hettiarachchi (2017 Batch) titled '**MOVING STORY**' has won the Award of Excellence, in World Landscape Architecture Awards (WLA Awards) student category, surpassing other World recognized Landscape academic institutions, including University of Edinburgh, Harvard GSD, University of British Columbia. This exceptionally innovative design was published in the World Landscape Architecture Magazine- WLA Awards special edition on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Our Congratulations to Nipun Hettiarachchi who has brought recognition to the BLA Programme, Department of Architecture, University of Moratuwa and Sri Lanka. (*"A Moving Story" -Sequences of Spaces through geo-Forms*)

### PGD UI 2018 Competition



PGD UI is an annual event held by the Department of Chemical Engineering, Universitas Indonesia which enhances students' knowledge of energy, process engineering, and its relation to economic development. Four final-year students from the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering, University of Moratuwa took part in this year's competition which was held from 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> March 2018 in Indonesia.

They participated in two categories: 3<sup>rd</sup> Petroleum Integrated Smart Competition (Petronation) matches University best delegation teams against one another in a fast-paced quiz competition covering technical and non-technical aspects of the oil and gas industry. The team comprising of Yasas Wishvajith (Team Leader), Malsha Samarasiri, and Chamodya Perera was able to bring honour to Sri Lanka by making their way to the semi-finals from 19 teams hailing from different countries and being placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

## CIMA Mind Challenge 2018



The first year students representing Faculty of Business, University of Moratuwa at CIMA Mind Challenge 2018 emerged 5<sup>th</sup> place out of 40 teams under the open category. The event was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 at JAIC Hilton Colombo. The team members were Theekshana Jayawardhana, Dasni Hendaheva, Diluni Peiris and Narmadha Rajakanthan

## Staff

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Winner of UN Environment Start-up Prize

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Sasiranga De Silva, a lecturer of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, emerged the winner of Asia Pacific Low Carbon Lifestyles Challenge, in the Low Carbon Mobility category. His invention, a conversion kit that allows three wheelers to function with electric power made him a winner at this competition. Following this achievement, he has won a grant worth US\$ 10,000 from UN Environment and will be eligible for training offered by international experts

### IEEE Sri Lanka Section AGM



Dr. KTMU Hemapala of Department of Electrical Engineering was appointed an executive committee member at the Annual General Meeting of the IEEE Sri Lanka Section held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2018.



### Inter –University Gender Festival

The final phase of the 'Inter –University Gender Festival' to celebrate gender equity and equality sponsored by the Centre for Equity and Equality of the Ministry of Higher Education, organised by the Centre for Gender Studies of the University of Kelaniya was successfully held on the 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2018 at the University of Kelaniya. The festival was mainly held to promote public awareness on gender equity and equality. Several staff members; Prof. Padma Amarasinghe, Dr. Virajini Karunaratne, Mr. Chinthaka Dharmaratne and students; Ms. Yasumi Wickramasinghe, Mr. Nadun Wijekoon, Mr. Hasitha Ayeshmantha, Ms. Nuwani Karunathilaka, Ms. Maneka Weerasinghe, Ms. Upekka Jayarathne, participated in the program from the University of Moratuwa.

## Exhibitions,

## FIELD TRIPS & WORKSHOPS

### Outbound Training Programme for MBA in Entrepreneurship 2017



The outbound training programme for MBA in Entrepreneurship 2017 and 2018 batches was held on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> January at Kithulgala. The programme was conducted by 'Adventure Seals' which consist of number of water activities and adventurous activities including water rafting. Students enjoyed the programme which was a platform for them to build a good relationship with their colleagues.

### Outbound Training Programme for MBA in Management of Technology 2017



Students of MBA in Management of Technology 2017 batch participated at an outbound training programme in Bangkok, Thailand from 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> January organized by the Department of Management of Technology. During the programme, they visited Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), National Science Park and companies in industrial zones in Bangkok. Twenty-seven students and two academics participated in this programme. They took part in academic sessions at AIT, team building activities and lots of fun games. It was a great opportunity for students to strengthen their relationships as a batch.



## Field visit to Unichela (Pvt) Ltd on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018



A field visit to Unichela (Pvt) Ltd was arranged for the inaugural batch of Faculty of Business, University of Moratuwa on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The main anticipation was to provide an opportunity for undergraduates to critically analyze the real world business processes and gain a thorough understanding on applicability of theory into practice.

## Exorior 2018



“Exorior 2018” an outbound leadership program organized by the 15<sup>th</sup> batch of the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering was held on 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2018 at the university grounds. The occasion was graced by the presence of the Head of the Department, Dr. SH P Gunawardena, Brigadier Krishantha Gnanaratne, the academic staff, non-academic staff along with the alumni members and undergraduates from the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering family.

## Clubs & SOCIETIES



## EESoc AGM-2018

The Annual General Meeting of Electrical Engineering Society (EESoc) of University of Moratuwa was held for the 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive time on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018 from 4.30 p.m. onwards at Civil Auditorium. The occasion was illuminated with the presence of emeritus Prof. JR Lucas, Head of the Department Prof. Sisil Kumarawadu, other academic staff and undergraduates of Department of Electrical Engineering. Dr. Chandima Pathirana and Dr. Rasara Samarasinghe were elected as the President and Senior Treasurer respectively for the second time consecutively.

## Bronze Award - Ediriweera Sarachchandra Drama Competition

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The stage drama “Athuwath Baha Nathuwath Baha” written and performed by the University of Moratuwa Drama Society was awarded third place (Bronze Award) at the final of “Ediriweera Sarachchandra Memorial Drama Competition” organized by the University of Peradeniya. This drama also won the Best Supporting Actor award for the performance of Nadith Nupearachchi who was also the script writer. The drama society operates under the guidance of Dr. Thesara Jayawardane, a senior lecturer at the Department of Industrial Management who is known for her award-winning performance in tele dramas and films.

The UOM Drama Society started their first venture called “Thimbiri Thira” where two stage dramas were performed in front of an audience of over 400. The Chief Guests of this event were Famous artists Dayan Witharana, Manik Kurukulasooriya and Udeni Alwis.



## Thotupale Handawa’- the annual get-together of Department of Integrated Design

The annual get together of the department of Integrated Design, organized by the Integrated Design Society was held on 24<sup>th</sup> of February at “Vanniya”. This year too, students of the Level 02 organized the evening event “Thotupale Handawa”. The evening was cherished by the attendance of guests such as Head of the Department, Archt. Sithumini Rathmalala, academic, visiting and non-academic staff of the Department and many members of the alumni.

## Appointments & PROMOTIONS

### Head of the Departments

#### Department of Building Economic



*Dr. (Ms.) YG Sandanayake* has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Building Economic from 01.01.2018 to 31.12.2020.

#### Department of Electrical Engineering



*Prof. SP Kumarawadu* has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering from 01.01.2018 to 31.12.2020.

#### Department of Textile & Clothing Technology



*Prof. (Mrs.) UGS Wijayapala* has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Textile & Clothing Technology from 06.04.2018 to 05.04.2021.

#### Department of Integrated Design



*Mr. RMBSCK Rathnamalala* has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Integrated Design from 27.12.2017 to 26.12.2020.

#### Department of Electronic & Telecommunication Engineering



*Dr. NWN Dayananda* has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Electronic & Telecommunication Engineering from 13.04.2018 to 12.04.2021.

#### Department of Decision Sciences



*Dr. I Mahakalanda* has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Decision Sciences from 10.03.2018 to 09.03.2021.

## Department of Industrial Management



**Dr. DM Mudalige** has been appointed as the Head of the Department of Industrial Management from 10.03.2018 to 09.03.2021.

## PhD Completion



**Dr. Amila Jayasinghe**, attached to the Department of Town & Country Planning has obtained his doctoral degree at Nagaoka University of Technology, Japan. His research interests are Infrastructure Planning & Design, Regional Planning, Spatial Analysis and Modeling, and Open-Source GIS applications.



**Dr. Chethika Abenayake**, attached to the Department of Town & Country Planning has obtained her doctoral degree at Nagaoka University of Technology, Japan. Her research interests are Environmental Planning, Socio-Ecological Systems, Resilience Engineering, and Climate Adaptation.

## New Appointments

**Dr. CSA Siriwardana** has been appointed to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II in the Department of Civil Engineering with effect from 30.11.2017.

**Dr. (Ms.) AS Ranathunga** has been appointed to the post of Lecturer [Un confirmed] in the Department of Civil Engineering with effect from 02.03.2018.

**Dr. SADT Subasinghe** has been appointed to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II in the Department of Chemical & Process Engineering with effect from 02.01.2018.

**Ms. P Nanthakumaran** has been appointed to the post of Lecturer (Probationary) in the Department of Computational Mathematics with effect from 02.01.2018.

**Ms. LDCS Layangani** has been appointed to the post of Lecturer (Probationary) in the Department of Transport & Logistics Management with effect from 02.01.2018.

**Dr. PKC De Silva** has been appointed to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II in the Department of Civil Engineering with effect from 01.02.2018.

**Dr. (Mrs.) RMDS Gunarathne** has been appointed to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II in the Department of Chemical & Process Engineering with effect from 02.01.2018.

**Ms. MA Dharmaratne** has been appointed to the post of Lecturer (Probationary) in the Department of Computational Mathematics with effect from 02.01.2018.

**Ms. TP Amalan** has been appointed to the post of Lecturer (Probationary) in the Department of Transport & Logistics Management with effect from 02.01.2018.

## Promotions



**Dr. RARC Gopura** has been promoted to the post of Professor in Mechanical Engineering in the Department of Mechanical Engineering (on merit) with effect from 04.08.2016.



**Dr. DM Mudalige** has been confirmed in the post of Lecturer (Probationary) with effect from 01.06.2011 and promoted to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II with effect from 01.07.2017 in the Department of Industrial Management.



**Dr. JR Gamage** has been confirmed in the post of Lecturer (Probationary) with effect from 03.11.2010 and promoted to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II with effect from 09.05.2017 in the Department of Mechanical Engineering.



**Dr. RP Abeysooriya** has been confirmed in the post of Lecturer (Probationary) with effect from 02.06.2010 and promoted to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II with effect from 15.09.2017 in the Department of Textile & Clothing

Technology.



**Prof. AAP de Alwis** has been promoted to the grade of Senior Professor in the Department of Chemical & Process Engineering with effect from 30.10.2012.



**Prof. (Mrs.) C Jayasinghe** has been promoted to the grade of Senior Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering with effect from 11.09.2017.

**Mr. SC Premaratne** has been promoted to the grade of Senior Lecturer Grade I in the Department of Information Technology with effect from 07.07.2016.



**Dr. AB Jayasinghe** has been confirmed in the post of Lecturer (Probationary) with effect from 02.10.2012 and place him on the post of Lecturer (Transitional) with effect from 31.08.2017 and promoted to the post of Senior Lecturer Grade II with effect from 02.10.2017 in the Department of Town & Country Planning.



**Dr. SU Adikary** has been promoted to the post of Professor in Materials Science & Engineering in the Department of Materials Science & Engineering (on merit) with effect from 19.12.2016.



**Dr. HMND Bandara** has been promoted to the grade of Senior Lecturer Grade I in the Department of Computer Science & Engineering with effect from 01.02.2017.



**Dr. Chamali Hewawasam** has been promoted to the grade of Senior Lecturer Grade II in the Department of Town & Country Planning with effect from 01.09.2017.

## Extra Curricular ACTIVITIES

### **Sandamali Fernando Shines at “Stylish Marketer 2017”**



Ms. G Sandamali Fernando from the Department of Town & Country Planning won the award as the Best Female Model of the “ Stylish Marketer 2017 “, & Miss Photogenic among the final contestants, Fashion show organized by the Department of Marketing Management, University of Kelaniya.

### External Examiner Visitation 2018



A panel of External Examiners visited the Department of Building Economics from 04<sup>th</sup> to 06<sup>th</sup> of April 2018, to review the BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying and BSc (Hons) in Facilities Management degree programmes. The review panel comprised of Professor Andrew Ross, Subject Head - Surveying at Liverpool John Moores University, United Kingdom, Ch.QS. Shantha Fernando, Director, Woodbridge Consultants, and Mr. Elmo Fernando, Consultant (Projects), Overseas Realty Ceylon PLC, Sri Lanka.

## Community OUTREACH

### We Are With You 2018



together the members of EESoc for a worthy cause, and is an event that is immensely enjoyed by both members and differently abled students who take part in it.

'We Are With You' is an event where the members of Electrical Engineering Society (EESoc) interacted with differently abled students from the School for the Deaf in Ratmalana, and entertained them the whole day. This event has a proud history of bringing

This year WAWY was held for the 19<sup>th</sup> consecutive year with the theme of "Red Indians", for the students of Ceylon School for the Deaf, Rathmalana on 27<sup>th</sup> of February 2018 at the university premises. A quiz programme, drama and dance made the event colourful at civil auditorium. Students enjoyed the evening with fun games and sports which were held at University grounds. An exhibition of students' paintings was held at the old gymnasium as well. Furthermore valuable hearing aids were donated to the school.

### Department of Mathematics – Presence at Innovatus'18



Innovatus'18 – Science exhibition organized by the Association of Science and Technology of St Thomas' College in celebration of its centenary, was held on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2018 at the college premises. With the intention of inspiring and motivating young students, the Department of Mathematics of University of Moratuwa was invited to showcase the elegance of Mathematics and its undoubted legacy in the field of Engineering.

Accordingly, a Mathematics stall was setup at the exhibition with the combined efforts of both the Mathematics Society and the

Department of Mathematics. Simplified illustration of the central limit theorem using a working model – Galton board, mathematical games (Nim games, Hex board game etc) highlighting their use in algorithms, Drone navigation with demo – Mathematical background of the PID feedback algorithm, illustration of words without proof of the Pythagoras's theorem, illustration and use of Dijkstra's algorithm – graph applications were some of the items that were exhibited at the stall. The distinguished Chief Guest was Mr. Rohan Pethiyagoda, one of the leading naturalist and a taxonomist on Freshwater fish of Sri Lanka.



## SPORTS



### Our Slicers Win 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

The annual State Services Carrom Tournament was held at the Carrom Federation of Sri Lanka on 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Our Staff Welfare and Recreation Club of University of Moratuwa team comprised of Mr. V Sivahar, Mr. KAM Prasanna, Mr. WAK Silva and Mr. DF Ranasinghe became the 2<sup>nd</sup> runners-up in the Division "B" category. This tournament is annually held under three divisions, namely A, B and C with the participation of many state organizations. Staff Welfare and Recreation

Club of University of Moratuwa team has been the Champions in Division "C" in 2012 and were the Runners-up in the same division in year 2011.

## Future EVENTS

### Business Research Unit & 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Business Research (ICBR 2018)

Steadfastly dedicated to the advancement of knowledge, Business Research Unit (BRU) of Faculty of Business, University of Moratuwa was inaugurated in 2018 in order to revitalize today's business and introduce a range of insights and innovative ideas. Its annual International Conference on Business Research (ICBR) will be held in June starting from 2018. The deadline for full paper submission for this year's conference was 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018.

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