



**The Institution of Railway Signal Engineers
Proposed Singaporean Section**

SECTION UPDATE

Society Registration

The Constitution has been reviewed by the IRSE Council and has been accepted except for adding a clause that the constitution can only be amended in the future with the approval of the IRSE Council. This has been updated in the constitution and returned to London for the IRSE Council's final approval.

An interim local committee has been formed with the following members

Chairman	Philippe Hartheiser
Vice Chairman/Secretary	Ian Tomlins
Treasurer	David Quastel
Membership Sub Committee Chairman	Russell Shield
Newsletter/Co-Secretary	Julian Danton
Member	Norm Grady
Member	Mark Appleyard
Member	Toh Kim Toon
Member	Tom Khella

Once the IRSE Council has formally ratified the Constitution, it will be submitted to the Singapore Registry of Societies for Registration. Following this an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held, where all IRSE members in Singapore will be welcome to attend and to elect the actual committee and then to set the direction for the society's activities.

Convention

A 2½-day convention is being organised in conjunction with the Australian Section from Monday 24th October to Wednesday 26th October 2005. Technical papers will be presented in the mornings and site visits organised for the afternoons. The theme of the convention is: "Embracing the Technologies" and it is likely to be held in the Holiday Inn Park View and will include visits to rail sites around Singapore. Any volunteers to help with the organisation or hosting of the conference will be very welcome (contact details below).

Following a call for papers, we have already received more abstracts that are required for the convention. The next step will be to issue registration documents and it is hoped that many of the local IRSE members will be able to attend.

Newsletter

Once registration has completed we will be looking to issue a quarterly newsletter to give updates on what is happening within the Singaporean Section. For this we are looking for articles and photographs, which can be about any aspect related to Signalling and Communications and don't have to be limited to subjects within Singapore, contact details are given below.

Examinations

To support the IRSE, we will be looking to host the IRSE Exams for this year and so would ask that anyone who is currently studying for examinations gets in contact, so that we can plan for the necessary resources.

Once registration of the society has completed we would also like to start a study group for the examinations, so would like to hear from any members who are interested in studying or running a study group on the examination subjects.

Presentations

So far we have organised two presentations, one from Daniel Woodland of LUL on Railway Control Philosophy and one from Ken Vine of Lloyd's Register Rail on Sustainable Interlocking.

We would like to hold one presentation every other month, therefore we are always looking for papers to be presented, so please contact us if you have any proposals for papers from yourselves or visiting colleges.

We hope you have found this update useful and we look forward to seeing you once the Registration of the Society is complete and at the Conference in October.

Singaporean Section Interim Committee
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For further information on any of the items in this update, please contact Julian Danton on 92958440 or jpdanton@hotmail.com.