ICC OPENS TRADING AT CSE TO CELEBRATE CENTENARY YEAR



Back Row, Standing: Ray Abeywardena, Chairman, CSE (fourth from left); Shanil Fernando, Secretary, ICC Sri Lanka; Dinesh Weerakkody, Chairman, ICC; Sheanath De Soysa, Treasurer, ICC Sri Lanka and Anton Godfrey, Director, CSE along with ICC staff and CSE officials.



Dinesh Weerakkody, Chairman, ICC addressing the gathering.

The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) rang the Opening Bell to commence trading at the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) to mark the world business organization’s 100-year anniversary. ICC represents over 45 million companies in over 100 countries, with a mission to make business work for everyone, every day and everywhere. The Bell Ringing event was hosted for ICC Sri Lanka, and it was

part of a series of initiatives conducted around the globe in celebration of the ICC Centenary Year

Dinesh Weerakkody, Chairman; Shanil Fernando, Secretary; Sheanath De Soysa, Treasurer and Past Chairs Mahendra Amarasuriya, Tissa Jayaweera, Keerthi Gunawardane, along with the staff and the senior management from ICC Sri Lanka were present at the event. The CSE was represented by Ray Abeywardena, Chairman, Directors Anton Godfrey and Dilshan Weerasekera, and Rajeeva Bandaranaike, CEO and the senior management of the Exchange. The event was also attended by invitees from the Sri Lankan business community.

Ray Abeywardena, Chairman, CSE, speaking at the event congratulated ICC for completing 100 successful years of furthering the interests of businesses around the world and facilitating global trade. “The ICC making its presence felt in countries like Sri Lanka and making a difference to our business community, indicates how ICC has evolved into a truly international organization during the past 100 years,” he added

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He further added, “We particularly congratulate ICC Sri Lanka for the work that has been carried out here on home soil since their inception in 1995, especially in terms of paving the way for local companies to connect to global networks. Through ICC Sri Lanka, Sri Lankan corporates have access to a truly global organization with a widespread network and record of fostering international cooperation.”

Dinesh Weerakkody, the Chairman of ICC Sri Lanka said, “We are honored to celebrate the centenary year of the ICC here in Sri Lanka with a Bell Ringing ceremony at the Colombo Stock Exchange. ICC Sri Lanka is committed to continue to advocate for Sri Lankan businesses and trade in the international stage. ICC Sri Lanka works through several committees to debate, discuss and suggest solutions on subjects related to the mandate of the Chamber. ICC can play a special role in connecting business to the world and be a driving force for all Sri Lankan businesses.”