

Profile Statement by Jayantha (Jay) Wickramatunga

It with great pleasue that I presnt my creditials to EBAQ Membership in relation to the upcoming EBAQ AGM.

I joined Radio 4EB in 2000. Since then, I have taken up many interesting roles within the 4EB community. I first took office as Secretary of the Sri Lankan Radio Group in 2001 and then I became the Deputy Convener of the Sri Lankan Radio Group in 2003 and I finally became the Convener for the Sri Lankan Radio Group in 2008. I am proud to say the Sri Lankan Radio Group won the 4EB President's Award in two consecutive years in 2008 and 2009 under my convenorship. I am a licensed Broadcaster and a Licensed Panel Operator. If I am elected, I will bring my hands-on experience with radio broadcasting and panel operation to the Board so that they can make right choices to enhance operational efficiencies in broadcasting.

I first became a Director of the 4EB Board in 2013. At present I am the Chair for the Governance and Risk (G & R) Sub Committee. I have played a major part in drafting new Constitution, By laws for the Station and I assisted the Station to update Policy and Procedure Manual. I am currently leading G & R Sub Committee to further enhance governance framework for the station while mitigating current risks and emerging risks. I wish to be re-elected to the Board to continue work which I have being doing in governance and risk area.

I am a Fellow of Engineers Australia and a Fellow of the Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka (IESL). I am a Registered Professional Engineer in Queensland. I am the immediate Past President of the Queensland Chapter of the IESL. I am a proud recipient of Australia Day Achievement Award from the Queensland Department of Transport & Main Roads (TMR) in 2018. TMR recognised the contribution I have made to the community including services to the 4EB Radio station. The Director General of TMR, Neil Scales said, "*Jay's personal efforts have contributed to improving the life of Australians; helped new Sri Lankan migrants settle in Australia, helped underprivileged people living overseas to improve their quality of life, guided younger children to become good Australian citizens, enhanced the engineering profession in Australia and brought communities together*". This is basically what my community life has been over last 21 years.

My mission is to continue this journey. You have the choice to make it happen. If I am elected, I will deliver.

Thanks for the opportunity!