



From the Secretary's Desk

The Council of the Institute meets four times a year. The Council Meetings may be routine and quickly forgotten but it is important that important decisions are attended to prioritywise and pursued bearing in mind that before we embark upon a very ambitious plan, we must make all efforts to strengthen our foundation. The Secretariat must be made strong for effective functioning and the staff serving the Secretariat must be made reasonably happy to enable them to put their best.

The following important decisions taken by the Council must take priority and no efforts must be spared to achieve this.

1. **Recognition of AM-IIW Examination**
2. **Improving upon the Finances of the Institute.**

The Election process and a two year term of the Council may be given a thought seriously as both are interrelated. One calls for expenses and time and which could not be considered effective and viable if one year term of Council is kept.

The Institute's policy must be defined by the learned members and all suggestions, views must necessary be sent to the Secretariat by the Chairmen's of various Committees to enable them to be incorporated in the agenda for the perusal of all members in advance. This will save valuable time of the Council and decisions taken will be conclusive.

FUTURE STRATEGY

In order to provide members with the best possible range of services at the most effective cost, while promoting member's interests and exerting a major influence on the advancements and development of welding technology & science throughout the country. The Institute needs to project a much stronger profile among International community and this could be achieved by-

- * The creation of a high awareness profile and strong links with the industry at large and Government in general
- * Activities which focus and reflect and place particular importance on continuing professional development
- * Effective marketing of positive activities like Seminars, Workshops and Courses
- * Exploitation of Information Technology and building up of database including specialist matter
- * Strive to raise the standard of Welding Engineers & Research Technologists and extend its influence as far as possible, in preparations of regulations by concerned statutory bodies.
- * To review structure of the Council/Committee/Secretariat from time to time and the organisation and operation of the Secretariat to ensure cost effectiveness
- * Application of Modern Technology for efficient operation of Secretariat.

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