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'The Changing Role of the Financial Professional' took centre stage at the recently concluded general assembly of the Young Chartered Accountants Forum (YCAF) of CA Sri Lanka, with Mr. Peter D'Almeida, the Managing Director and Chief Executive of N-able sharing some important insights on the need for young accounting professionals to remain relevant.

During his presentation, Mr. D'Almeida shared findings from global studies conducted from finance to technology and urged young CAs to research and be up-to-date on 'relevance and value', with a sense of curiosity and creativity, equipped with skills demanded by the future business world.

The YCAF general assembly brought together over 150 Chartered Accountants including Council Members of CA Sri Lanka.

The event kicked off with the lighting of the traditional oil lamp, followed by the national anthem. The immediate past president of YCAF Ms. Vindya Cooray welcomed the gathering and highlighted activities of YCAF during the tenure 2016-2018 including workshops, knowledge forums, fun events, and introduced the YCAF Governing Council for 2018-2020.

The elect president of YCAF Ms. Jani Ganeshan addressing the gathering shared her vision and plans for the future, which was followed by the appointment of auditors.

CA Sri Lanka President Mr. Jagath Perera shared valuable thoughts on YCAF and the accounting profession, all whilst stressing the importance for young CA members to stay relevant, while engaging in learn - unlearn - relearn process.

The event concluded with fellowship and dinner after the Vice President of YCAF Mr. J. M. Fazeer proposed the vote of thanks. The thought provoking session energized participants to walk away enabled with new ideas, and also set an ideal platform for future activities of YCAF.

## CAPTIONS:

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#### Seated from Left to Right

Mr. Duithe Perera Member of Council, CA Sri Lanka | Mr. Prasanna Liyanage Secretary to the Council of CA Sri Lanka | Mr. J.M. Fazeer-Vice President, YCAF Governing Council | Mr. Jan Mr. Jagath Perera-President of CA Sri Lanka | Mr. Manil Jayesinghe-Vice President of CA Sri Lanka | Ms. Vindya Cooray-Immediate Past President, YCAF Governing Council | Mr. Tishan S

#### Standing from Left to Right

Mu Nayanthere Surevisere Treasurer, YCAF Governing Council | Ms. Armineh Mohideen- YCAF Governing Council member | Ms. Thilini Nødeeshe-General Secretary, YCAF Governing Co Council member | Ms. Panchana Themiya- YCAF Governing Council member | Mr. Prashan Muthugala- YCAF Governing Council member | Mr. Rasun Abeysekera- YCAF Governing Council Council member | Ms. Nishani Perera- YCAF Governing Council member | Ms. Radhini Thomas- YCAF Governing Council member

Young Chartered Accountants Forum Governing Council with CA Sri Lanka President Mr. Jagath Pere

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A section of the participants.

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Managing Director and Chief Executive of N-able Mr. Peter D'Almeida with members of YCAF.

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YCAF President Ms. Jani Ganeshan addressing the guests.

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Managing Director and Chief Executive of N-able Mr. Peter D'Almeida speaking at the event.