# NEW2AN 2026 CONFERENCE - PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

## DAY 1 – OPENING CEREMONY & GALA DINNER

| Time | Programme 1 | Venue | Programme 2 | Venue | Programme 3 | Venue |
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| **08:00–08:30** | Registration | 12th Floor Lobby | — | — | — | — |
| **08:30–09:00** | Keynote Address – Prof. Naveen Chilamkurti, La Trobe University, Australia | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — |
| **09:00–10:30** | Paper Presentations – Session 1 | G602 | Paper Presentations – Session 2 | G603 | Paper Presentations – Session 3 | G604 |
| **10:30–11:00** | Morning coffee break | 5th Floor Lunchroom | — | — | — | — |
| **11:00–12:30** | Paper Presentations – Session 4 | G602 | Paper Presentations – Session 5 | G603 | Paper Presentations – Session 6 | G604 |
| **12:30–13:30** | Lunch | 5th Floor Lunchroom | — | — | — | — |
| **13:30–14:10** | Panel Discussion 1 (The Future of Research in the Age of AI) | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — |
| **14:10–15:40** | Paper Presentations – Session 7 | G602 | Paper Presentations – Session 8 | G603 | Paper Presentations – Session 9 | G604 |
| **17:30–22:00** | Opening Ceremony and Gala Dinner | Galle Face Hotel | — | — | — | — |

## DAY 2 – TECHNICAL PROGRAMME, PARALLEL SESSIONS & CLOSING

| Time | Programme 1 | Venue | Programme 2 | Venue | Programme 3 | Venue | Programme 4 | Venue |
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| **08:30–09:00** | Registration | 12th Floor Lobby, NB | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| **09:00–09:30** | Keynote Address: Prof. K. Gangadharan, Indian Institute of Banking & Finance, Mumbai | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **09:30–10:00** | Keynote Address 6: Prof. Madusanka Liyanage, University College Dublin | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **10:00–10:30** | Morning coffee break | 5th Floor Lunchroom | — | — | — | — | — | — |

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| **10:30–11:30** | Tutorial 1 – IEEE ComSoc Workshop, Dr. Himal Suraweera | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **11:30–13:00** | Paper Presentations – Session 10 | G602 | Paper Presentations – Session 11 | G603 | Paper Presentations – Session 12 | G604 | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **13:00–14:00** | Lunch | 5th Floor Lunchroom | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| **14:00–15:00** | Tutorial 2 – IEEE ComSoc Workshop | G1206 – Smart Classroom | 3MT Thesis Competition | G602 | — | — | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **15.00–16:00** | Pannel Discussion 3 (Digital Transformation Through AI: Innovation, Leadership, and Responsible Adoption – IEEE Signal Processing Society) | G1206 – Smart Classroom | 3MT Thesis Competition | G602 | — | — | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **16:00–17:00** | Tutorial 3 – IEEE ComSoc Workshop by Dr. E. S. Gopi, National Institute of Technology | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — | Hackathon | 14th Floor, F Block, NB |
| **17:00–18:30** | Closing Ceremony | G1206 – Smart Classroom | — | — | — | — | — | — |

## DAY 3 – SIGHTSEEING & FAREWELL

| Time | Programme / Activity | Venue / Notes |
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| **08:00 – 08:30** | Departure from hotel | Hotel Lobby |
| **08:30 – 18:00** | Sri Lanka sightseeing tour with delegates | Various locations |
| **18:00 – 18:30** | Return to hotel | Hotel Lobby |
| **18:30 – 20:00** | Farewell and free evening | Hotel |