

Key Resolutions of the Governing Council Meeting held on 24th July 2026

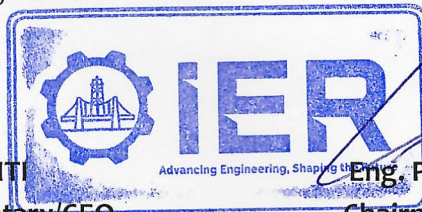
The Governing Council resolved to:

1. **Commend the Secretariat** for the satisfactory implementation of the 2026 Action Plan and continue strengthening institutional performance.
2. **Expand engineering inspection programmes** beyond the current scope by engaging strategic public institutions (including RTDA, WASAC, RURA and the City of Kigali) and prioritising inspections of flagship national infrastructure projects. A concept note shall be prepared to facilitate collaboration with relevant government agencies.
3. **Undertake a Governing Council technical visit** to the New Kigali International Airport (NKIA) project on **31 July 2026** to assess progress and prepare technical recommendations to support stakeholder engagement.
4. **Strengthen strategic partnerships** by expanding Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with financial institutions, insurance companies, private notaries and major engineering employers to enhance member services, internship opportunities and professional development.
5. **Review the financial implications** of the proposed INES Ruhengeri application fee waiver for the graduates before communicating a final position.
6. **Improve institutional communication and governance** by regularly publishing Governing Council resolutions, CPD programmes and institutional updates on the IER website, and by expediting the development and implementation of the IER Service Charter.
7. **Strengthen financial management** by implementing a structured debt recovery strategy, ensuring all financial reports are reviewed by the Audit Committee before submission to the Governing Council, and reviewing the 2026 Action Plan and Budget to reflect inflation and emerging priorities.
8. **Approve the Revised Code of Ethics**, subject to categorisation of professional misconduct with corresponding disciplinary sanctions, revision of the Professional Oath, and provision for suspension of up to one year for major professional misconduct in accordance with the Institute's disciplinary procedures.
9. **Approve the revised Career Progression Framework**, subject to the development of objective technical assessment criteria, measurable performance indicators and appropriate weighting for all evaluation components.
10. **Approve the Standing Committees** together with their respective Governing Council oversight assignments to strengthen governance, accountability and coordination.
11. **Approve the Governing Council meeting calendar** for 2026 & 2027.

12. **Support Rwanda's bid to host the 2032 ICOLD Conference** and direct the Secretariat to continue engaging stakeholders to prepare and submit a competitive hosting application.
13. **Revise the registration requirements for consulting firms** by making RSSB Compliance and Tax Clearance Certificates optional during the application process while maintaining professional standards.
14. **Fast-track the revitalisation of the Eastern Africa Federation of Engineering Organisations (EAFEO)** through regular virtual engagements followed by a physical meeting in Kigali.
15. **Enhance international professional development opportunities** by proactively identifying and communicating technical visits, training programmes and other capacity-building opportunities for IER members through strategic partners and development agencies.



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