Role Description and Eligibility Requirements for IPEM Professional Contributor

Role	IPEM appointed nominee to the Engineering Council (this role sits on IPEM's Engineering Registration Panel – ERP)
Term of Office	3 years plus further 3-year periods by agreement
No of Meetings	 The ERP meets as follows: October (face to face with training day at the IPEM national office in York) February (tele-conference) June (tele-conference)
Appointment starts	As soon as possible
Description of the role	As a Professional Engineering Institution (PEI), IPEM is required to supply at least one volunteer to work for the Council on licensing activities. They will normally be appointed as a Liaison Officer (LO) to another PEI or serve on the Quality Assurance Committee.
	 LOs are involved in monitoring one or more of the following activities at Licensed Members: assessment of registration applications at committee meetings (including Individual Route Panels); observing interviews (Professional Review/Technical Report); evaluation of accreditation/approval reports at committee meetings; accreditation/approval visits to universities and colleges.
	 The Engineering Council has the following expectations of LOs: to represent the interests of Engineering Council, Licensed Members and Professional Affiliates; to have a good understanding of, and support, Engineering Council's policies and licensing requirements; to submit regular LO reports, communicating relevant and important information; to identify and, in liaison with Review Panel Chairs, be able to prioritise areas of risk at licensed members. to facilitate the exchange of good practice; to have good communication and interpersonal skills; to be accountable and accept evaluation; to have a non-judgmental attitude; to ask for support when it is needed; to regard issues discussed between LOs, Licensed Members and Engineering Council as confidential except by agreement; to conduct and apply themselves in an ethical manner when carrying out their duties (as required by the registrant's Code of Conduct).

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	A fuller description of the role is contained within the Engineering Council's LO Handbook.
	Attend the October ERP meeting/training day and the two ERP teleconference meetings where possible.
	Advise on potential applicants' suitability for registration.
Eligibility requirements	Full Member or Fellow of IPEM.
	For the role of LO, institutions must nominate a candidate who fits the following criteria:
	 is a registered engineer (at any of the grade levels); is an active member of their institution, with experience of one or more licenced activities, registration, accreditation/approvals, CPD etc; is in a position to provide/receive updates to/from their institution on any changes to processes and the exchange of good practice; should not be an employee of the nominating institution.
	LOs are usually expected to be available for 5-10 days per annum, plus time for IPEM activities as agreed with the Chair of the ERP. Please note this is only a guide.