

President's Address

Dear ELCIA Members, The Executive Committee, Members of Trust and Cluster, Past Presidents, Industry Leaders, Partners, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is an honour to address you as President of ELCIA. This has been a remarkable year — and it reminds us of a simple truth: **ELCIA's strength lies in our collective ability** to shape industry, influence policy, drive innovation, and create value for our members.

For more than three decades, ELCIA has grown with India's electronics and technology journey and remained relevant to the times. From a small group of pioneering industries in Electronics City, we have become one of India's respected industry associations — representing organisations that contribute to manufacturing, research, engineering, exports, innovation, skilling and employment.

The past year has been one of purposeful action.

Our focus has been clear: **to strengthen the ecosystem that helps industry thrive**. Through sustained engagement with the State Government, the Central Government, national and local industry bodies, and strategic institutions, we advanced members' interests, by seeking long-term solutions that improve competitiveness and ease of doing business and enhancing quality of life.

Member engagement reached new highs. Industry visits, interactions, networking forums, technical programmes, and knowledge-sharing platforms helped us **listen better, respond faster, and stay closely aligned** with members' needs.

The **ELCIA Skills Development Centre** expanded its industry-led skilling initiatives through partnerships, apprenticeships, and specialised training. More than **1,100 employees** were reskilled and upskilled. Over **800 students** were supported in apprenticeships and regular placements with our member companies and in organisations beyond our geography.

This year also marked significant progress in expanding ELCIA's role beyond a conventional industry association.

Our **ELCIA Tech Hub**, the MSME Common Facility Centre continued to support MSMEs with best-in-class testing and engineering capabilities. New collaborations, stronger infrastructure, and expanded capabilities, the Cluster is on the way to becoming an even stronger pillar of our electronics manufacturing ecosystem.

A defining milestone this year was our progress on the **Centre of Excellence for Sensors**. This initiative can become a transformational national asset — bringing industry, academia, government, and research institutions together to accelerate product innovation, indigenous technology, and advanced manufacturing. It strongly supports India's ambition to become a global electronics and semiconductor hub.

We also strengthened our global partnerships. Delegations from Japan, South Korea, Germany, Russia, and other countries engaged with ELCIA and our members, opening up opportunities for technology collaboration, business partnerships, and international market access.

Our commitment to community extends beyond business.

Through **ELCIA Trust**, we continue to invest in education, health, sustainability, and community development in Government schools around Electronics City. More than 5,000 students and families were supported through various initiatives, that have sustained test of time.

We believe industrial growth must go hand in hand with social progress. **ELCITA's** work in infrastructure, mobility, water management, and smart city initiatives has also helped keep Electronics City among India's most efficient, self-governed industrial townships.

Several important initiatives were launched by ELCIA this year—from nudging people to use public transport and sustainable mobility, to future-ready skills, technology events, and stronger industry-academia collaboration. Each one strengthens our vision of an ecosystem that is innovative, inclusive, and globally competitive.

Our flagship event ELCIA Tech Summit continues to bring industry together. Participation at Bengaluru Tech Summit, Electronica & Productronica India, INDEL-EXPO, AI Impact Summit, Supercomputing India Conference, Industry roundtables, Technical workshops like AI for manufacturing MSME, and partner programmes have reinforced ELCIA's role as a thought leader.

The future is full of potential, driven by technology, global connection, and human creativity

The global electronics landscape is changing fast. India is emerging as a trusted manufacturing destination — supported by policy reforms, resilient supply chains, stronger domestic capabilities, and an expanding innovation ecosystem. **Electronics City is well placed to lead this transformation.**

Our responsibility is: create opportunities for members, strengthen MSMEs, encourage innovation, nurture talent, advocate progressive policy, promote sustainable growth, and build partnerships and support systems for new opportunities that serve both industry and the nation.

These achievements were made possible by the unwavering support of our Executive Committee, Past Presidents, Trustees, Board Members of ELCITA and ELCIA Trust, our CEO and Secretariat, member companies, Government departments, institutional partners, and every individual who has contributed to ELCIA's journey.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I extend my sincere gratitude to each one of you for your trust and continued support.

As we celebrate the milestone **35 years of ELCIA**, let us honour what we have achieved — and stay focused on what we can build together.

The future of Electronics City will be defined by our shared vision, collaboration, and commitment.

Together, let us make Electronics City a benchmark for **innovation, manufacturing excellence, sustainable development, and global competitiveness.**

Thank you, and I wish you all a very productive AGM and pleasant evening.

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President
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