

Reinvigorating IEng – can it be done?

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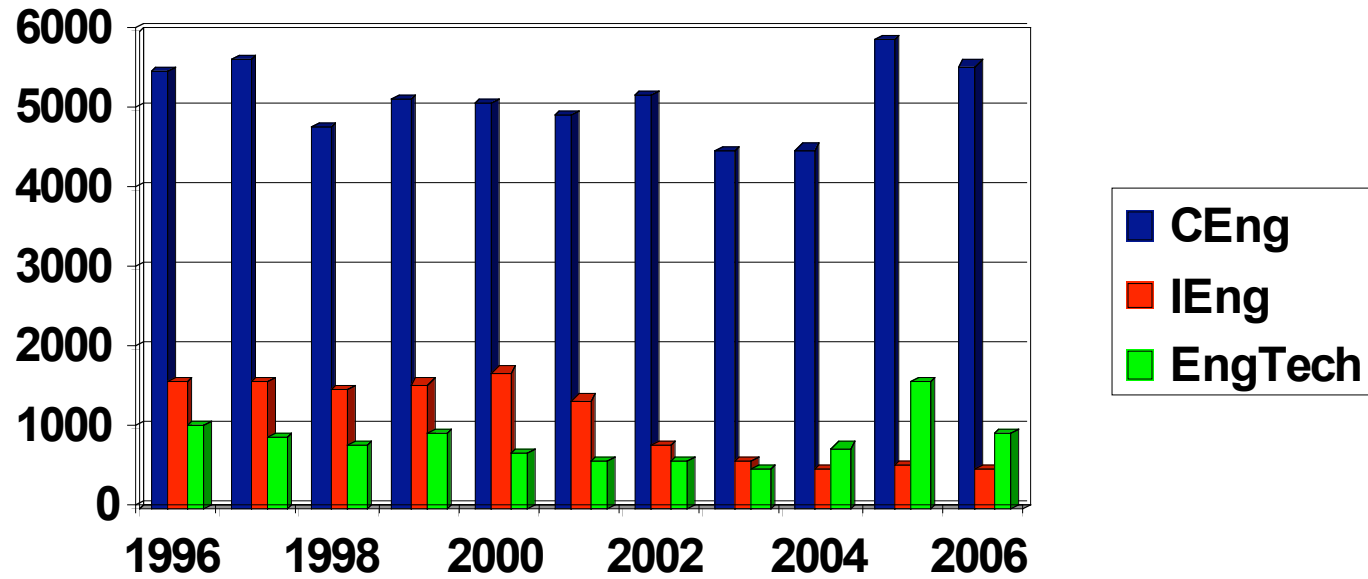
Background

- Rapidly declining IEng registration
- Uncertainty about nature and perception of IEng
- Previous attempts to rename or reposition

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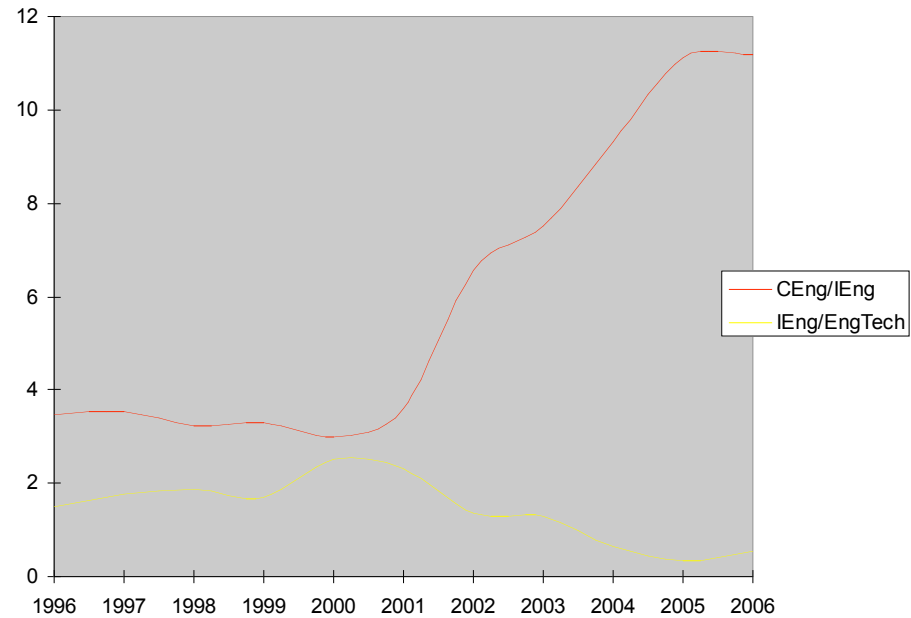
New registrations 1996-2006



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Registration ratios 1996-2006



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Stages in the Review

- Agreed by Board December 2006
- Review Group – spread of membership (including EPC)
- Report to RSC and Board June 2007
- Consultation with Licensed Members
- Report to Board September 2007
- RSC and Review Group asked to take work forward (for completion by June 2008)

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Questions for Review

- Should we keep IEng?
- What is distinction between IEng and CEng?
- Parallel or part of a continuum?
- What should academic qualification be?
- What should title be?
- Can it be marketed?

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Recommendations

- Keep 3 registration categories
- Distinction should be on basis of competence
- Consult with employers
- Reposition in a progressive registration structure
- Stress range of accepted academic qualifications
- Establish Further Learning routes
- Change title – Registered Engineer?
- Develop promotional activity

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Licensed Member Responses (i)

- Support retention of IEng
- Suggest UK-SPEC blurs CEng/IEng distinction
- General (not unanimous) support for progression
- But should not be automatic expectation
- Progressive structure should include EngTech

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Licensed Member Responses (ii)

- Keep exemplifying qualification as it is
- Some hankering to return to HNC/D
- Need flexibility on Further Learning
- Title change supported – but not sufficient
- Need strong commitment to promotion

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Current Position

- IEng Review Group reconvened with slight membership changes
- Re-examining UK-SPEC statements and presentation
- Further Learning being examined with Further Learning WG (to include WBL and PD schemes)
- Consultation with employers and others in early 2008
- Market research on title
- Report to RSC and Board by June 2008

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Want to help?

- All comments and suggestions will be considered
- Send to Sian Lee slee@engc.org.uk
- Next meeting of review group 28 January 2008

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