

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **IPWEA Renews Street Lighting & Smart Controls Program with industry partners**

The IPWEA Street Lighting & Smart Controls (SLSC) Program, founded in 2016 with the financial backing of the Commonwealth and a range of industry stakeholders, has been renewed for an additional three years, with the support of three major industry partners – Signify, Connected Light Solutions and Schréder.

“We’re delighted to have the support of our major partners and sponsors, which will enable us to bring the SLSC Program into the future”, said IPWEA CEO David Jenkins.

The SLSC Program remains relevant to the 4,700+ IPWEA members during a rapid technological change in this sector.

“Our members, who are generally working for the organisations that have primary legal responsibility for providing street and other forms of public lighting for the community, are facing growing demands for improved lighting, reduced emissions, and reduced costs”, said Jenkins. “In addition, our members often have to decide about new LEDs and smart controls without adequate training and experience. So, it’s important that we continue to provide the support our members need in this area.”

With further industry support IPWEA will now progress the SLSC Program over the next three years and beyond. The revitalisation project will include several important initiatives:

Councils, road authorities and utilities have widely used two key model specifications on LEDs and smart controls produced in this program. These documents will be updated to keep them current in a fast-moving field.

IPWEA will release five online training modules in the form of a micro-credential, including Managing Public Lighting, Managing LED Procurement, Managing Smart Street Lighting Controls Procurement, Developing a Public Lighting Strategy & Design Approvals Process and Developing a Robust Public Lighting Inventory & Asset Monitoring Approach

The website, newsletter and database will undergo significant updates and a brand refresh.

Each of these initiatives is designed to help local governments and other public lighting infrastructure owners, such as main road authorities and electricity distributors, put in place streamlined procurement processes for LEDs and smart controls and a robust framework to manage these new technologies properly.

### **About IPWEA**

The Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia is the peak association for municipal and public works professionals. IPWEA is a global leader in the delivery of sustainable infrastructure asset management, financial planning and reporting.

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Connected Light Solutions are a leading provider of smart city and building solutions including both energy-efficient LED lighting and smart technology to manage the lights and sensors in cities or buildings. Our range of LED lighting has been designed and developed to meet the needs of our evolving market with a focus on providing energy-efficient, cost-effective, safe and smart solutions. [www.connectedlightsolutions.com.au](http://www.connectedlightsolutions.com.au), [sales@connectedlightsolutions.com.au](mailto:sales@connectedlightsolutions.com.au), 1300 497 221.

### **About Schröder:**

Schröder Australia group of companies – which include Sylvania Schröder, Austube Schröder, and SCS, is the local leading independent outdoor and customised indoor lighting solution provider, we believe that lighting can empower people, impact lives, support communities, and transform spaces, cities, and the planet. Schröder is now poised to play a leading role in the evolving Smart city space and the SCS team is keen to partner with Councils and utilities in Australia supporting them on their Smart City mission. [www.schreder.com](http://www.schreder.com)