

Mr Dave Memery, a 2001 Electronic/Computer Engineering graduate, was short-listed from over 340 engineers for the prestigious Engineers Ireland Chartered Engineer of the Year Award. This short-list consists of six candidates selected from all successful candidates for the award of CEng during the previous 12 months based upon the recommendation from the interview panel.

Dave grew up in Dublin, gaining an honours degree in Electronic/Computer Engineering from Trinity College Dublin in 2001. In 2002, he moved to Cork, where he still lives, following his commission as a Sub-Lieutenant in the Irish Naval Service. Since that time, he has served in various appointments, both ashore and afloat, principally in Electrical Engineering. From April to October, 2007, he served overseas in Kosovo where he coordinated post conflict mine-risk education for Kosovo-Serb and Kosovo-Albanian children.

Upon his return from Kosovo he took over as Officer-in-Charge of Electrical Training for the Naval College and the National Maritime College of Ireland in Ringaskiddy. At present, he is completing a Postgraduate Diploma/Masters with the Open University and is involved in a number of Pan-European research projects in the Maritime Security and Technology fields.

Quoting from the Engineers Ireland website (<http://www.engineersireland.ie/>)

*“The objective of this prestigious award is to select the Chartered Engineer who in the view of the adjudicators has demonstrated the highest level of achievement of the competences in the regulations for the title of Chartered Engineer in a given year.*

*The adjudication panel for the Chartered Engineer of the Year Award shortlist the nominees to six finalists, who must undergo an adjudication process before the Adjudication Panel makes its final decision. The award ceremony takes place in November.”*

Dave’s presentation was on research he completed for the Irish Defence Forces entitled “A Study of New Generation Remote Vehicles for Military Applications”.

The six finalists and presentations were:

1. Alastair MacNair – “The Buildings by Daman, in Dubai”
2. David Memery – “A Study of New Generation Remote Vehicles for Military Applications”
3. Dwayne McAleer – “Dublin Region Water-main Rehabilitation Project”
4. Eleanor Diver – “Engineering Education”
5. Pablo Del Monte – “A1/N1 Newry to Dundalk Target Cost Contract: The Success of a Partnering Approach”
6. Sarah O’Connell – “Engineering Sustainability: Cork Docklands”

Pablo Del Monte, from Madrid, Spain was named the Engineers Ireland Chartered Engineer of the Year for 2008 for his partnering approach presentation.