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Medals and Awards 2010

Industry Awards 2010

The Textile Institute Sustainability Award

Established in 2010 to celebrate the centenary of The Textile Institute, the award is presented to a business or organisation that has had a demonstrable effect on sustainability policy and practice in textiles, clothing and footwear and in one or more of the following - sourcing, production, use, recycling and disposal.

Recipient - I & G Cohen Limited

I & G Cohen Limited is a family business founded over 50 years ago, they have been at the forefront of textile recycling ever since. The company successfully diverts over fifteen thousand tonnes of textiles from landfill every year.

I & G Cohen work on a national level on ways to improve sustainability and are members of the Sustainable Clothing Roadmap which is a voluntary clothing industry initiative co-ordinated by DEFRA and now WRAP to improve the environmental and ethical performance of clothing. They also work on upcycling initiatives with local fashion designers such as Tracey Cliffe who showed her eco-fashion designs on the catwalk at this year's Recycling and Waste Management Exhibition in Birmingham, UK.

In 2008, I & G Cohen won Britain's most prestigious business accolade The Queen's Award for International Trade and are now honoured to receive this Sustainability Award from The Textile Institute in recognition of their work on sustainability policy and practice in textile, clothing and footwear recycling and use.

The Textile Institute Innovation Award

Originally inaugurated in 1990 as The Textile Institute Development Award, The Textile Institute Innovation Award is given to organisations for outstanding achievement in enhancing international textile interests through commerce, marketing or economic development.

Recipient - Marks & Spencer plc

Innovation is at the core of the M&S proposition to its customers.

Innovation is what helps differentiate the M&S product offer from its competitors – and these innovations frequently become part of the core ranges. Good examples that illustrate this include the M&S machine washable wool knitwear and mens' suits, cool and fresh leisurewear, skin kind children's clothing, and slim fitting magic ladies knickers!

Innovation is key to the role that M&S's UK and overseas based technologists focus on every day – and they are measured on their success at delivering it. If you visit the M&S Headquarters in London, or its regional offices in Turkey, India, or The Far East, you will see meetings taking place with its suppliers to develop the next product innovations to be bought for the stores.

M&S is very proud of its reputation for innovation, and honoured to accept this prestigious award from The Textile Institute.

The Textile Institute Centenary Award

Established in 1960 to commemorate the Institute's Golden Jubilee, The Textile Institute Centenary Award is presented for successful research and invention by teams or groups of research workers, working within any appropriate organisation.

Recipient – Nonwovens Cooperative Research Center, North Carolina State University

The Nonwovens Cooperative Research Center (NCRC) was established as a State/Industry-University Cooperative Research Center in 1991 as a result of a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF).

While they have graduated from NSF, NCRC continues to receive funding from the State of North Carolina and today has a budget of about USD\$2.00 million per year devoted to advancing the knowledge in nonwovens technologies for the benefit of its members. The NCRC serves the nonwovens industry through research, training, education and extension, engagement and economic development.

NCRC offers services to its industrial members and affiliates in the form of core research undertaken for the benefit of its membership.

NCRC Strives to be the global leader in nonwovens education and research. To achieve its vision and fulfill the mission for serving the nonwovens and allied industries, it has established unique capabilities to address the diverse needs of this dynamic industry. The expansion continues and it has become a global resource for the nonwovens industry. The Center houses unique and state-of-the-art facilities for product development, analytical services and materials testing, analysis and evaluation.

The Textile Institute New Materials Award

Established in 2010 to celebrate the centenary of The Textile Institute, the award is presented to an individual or organisation demonstrating outstanding advances in technical textiles and their application.

Recipient - Datt Mediproducts Ltd

Datt Mediproducts Limited (DMPL), operating since 1997, is the largest Indian manufacturer and exporter of medical disposable products. DMPL is accredited with ISO 9002, EN 46002 and CE certifications.

DMPL, under the pioneership of Dr Rajan Datt, managing director, has put a lot of stress on R&D. DMPL's in-house R&D department has created a number of innovative high-quality medical disposables that have garnered excellent response in the domestic Indian market. Dr Datt is actively involved in development of economical alternatives to expensive imported medical products to serve the needs of the poorer section of the Indian populace. Dr Datt, a medical Doctor by profession, is also a founder member of the Standards Committee set up by Federation of Indian Chamber & Commerce of Industries (FICCI) for technical textile (medical) disposables in India.

Research Publication Award

Established in 2010 to celebrate the centenary of The Textile Institute, the award is presented to an individual author or group of authors for the most outstanding paper published in The Journal of The Textile Institute during the calendar year proceeding the year in which the award is offered. All authors and groups of authors who have had a paper published in 2009 were automatically submitted. The award has been generously sponsored by **Taylor and Francis**.

The paper entitled 'Flexible, durable, printed electrical circuits', 100, 1, 1-9 (2009) was written by **B Pourdeyhimi, B Karguzel, CR Merritt, T Kang, JM Wilson, HT Nagle and E Grant**. All authors are based at the North Carolina State University.

Citations of Member awardees for 2010

Companionship (CompTI)

This award was instituted in 1956 and is limited to 50 living members of the Institute. The status of Companion Member of the Institute may be granted by Council to any member who, having attained the age of 40, has substantially advanced the general interests of the textile industry.

Prof Richard Murray CText ATI BSc PhD

After graduating in textile chemistry at the University of Leeds, Prof Richard Murray completed his PhD and postdoctoral research in fibre physics. He moved to Scotland where he was Chairman of the Scottish Section of The Textile Institute.

Moving to Manchester Metropolitan University (MMU) as Dean and Pro-Vice Chancellor in 1996, Prof Murray formulated a strategy for Hollings to increase the impact, both in the UK and abroad, of the high-quality clothing technology teaching for which it was already well-known, building of course on the tradition of textile and clothing manufacture in Manchester.

Prof Murray is Emeritus Professor at the Manchester Metropolitan University. Until recently he was Pro Vice Chancellor International and Dean of Hollings Faculty at MMU which offers the largest concentration of Bachelors, Masters and Research degree programmes in clothing design and technology in the UK.

Dr Joe Cunning

Energy and vision capture the essence of Dr Joe Cunning's career and his commitment to exploratory, long-range fibre research. Known for his knowledge of fibre research and manufacturing, he completed a highly successful career spanning 28 years with DuPont. At DuPont, Dr Cuning headed the Pioneering Research Laboratory in Wilmington, Delaware.

In 1991, he formed Cuning & Associates, Ltd a consulting firm serving the textile R&D community. He is in demand as an industry consultant and speaker. Dr Cuning currently serves on the governing board of The Textile Institute and on the corporate boards of Instrumar Ltd (Canada), SmartLife Technologies Ltd (UK) and Optimer Inc (USA). He was named 1997 Textile Leader of the Year by the North Carolina State University College of Textiles.

Dr Michael J Denton DSc CText FTI

Throughout his career in research and education, Dr Michael Denton has enjoyed close links with industry and commerce. He was proud to be invited to become the only non-industrial member of the British Throwsters' Association. As keynote speaker at the centenary conference of Rieter-Scragg, he was introduced as 'the Guru of the texturing industry'!

Investigations with a colleague, led to the development of the Positorq false-twist spindle capable of twisting rates of 7 million rev/min. This remains an industry benchmark.

In recognition of his textile research publications, he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Science by the University of Manchester and the Fellowships of The Textile Institute and the Institute of Physics.

Dr Denton has delivered many presentations and lectures internationally from the USA, to Western and Eastern Europe and the Far East.

Through research, and sponsored studentships he developed a valuable liaison with the clothing sector.

He was a member of the TI council for a total of 25 years and has served on most of the TI's committees, often as chairman.

His major revision, with the late Prof McIntyre, of terms and definitions relating to manufactured fibres and his subsequent expansion, as Editor of TT&D, of technical-textile and clothing definitions, greatly enhanced the scope and authority of the TI's flagship publication.

Dr Gerry J Mauretti CText FTI

Dr Gerald Mauretti is the president of EY Technologies, a Division of Pascale Industries, Inc and is responsible for providing a leadership role throughout the entire organisation which he founded in 1989. EY Technologies manufacturers and markets specialty fibres, yarns and composites for original equipment manufacturers (OEM).

Dr Mauretti has nearly 50 years of experience in the textile industry as an entrepreneur, CEO, development engineer and market development specialist with a proven track record in the worldwide textile industry. Dr Mauretti is a past World President of The Textile Institute and recently appointed an Adjunct Professor in the Institute of Textiles and Clothing at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He was awarded an Honorary PhD in Business Administration from University of Massachusetts.

Dr Mauretti has published numerous papers, patents and has organised several topical symposiums and taught many short courses relative to technical textiles in addition to speaking at numerous national and international conferences.

Mr David H Woolliscroft CText ATI

David Woolliscroft joined the Institute as a student over 45 years ago and was duly awarded his CText ATI just a few days after his 25th birthday. Since then he has been involved in Institute affairs beginning as Section Committee member (Macclesfield, Leek and District) and later as its Chair and Council Representative.

He contributed to Institute Conferences on flammability of textiles and was a frequent book reviewer in this area of expertise.

Later he joined and then Chaired the Institute Benevolent Society introducing a most successful support scheme for unemployed members aimed at keeping them in touch with the Institute network.

During that time, a chance discussion with the then Honorary Secretary of the Institute, Michael Parkinson, resulted in his appointment as Honorary Secretary during a time when the affairs of the Institute were in an admittedly poor state. Serving under the Chairmanship of Professor Dick Horrocks, Professor Mervyn Davies and Professor Subhash Anand, David committed his time and effort to putting 'his' professional body into a sound financial state using modern management tools.

Mr John T Smith CText FTI CText FTI JP BScTech AMCST CMC MIMC

Mr John Smith is a Chartered Textile Technologist and Fellow of The Textile Institute who has enjoyed a continuous involvement with the textile and related industries following his graduation with Honours from UMIST in 1963. He is a certified management consultant and member of the Institute of Management Consultants.

When he was in industry in the UK he also served on a number of industrial committees and industrial training organisations, including CATITO as Chairman the then training organisation for the textile industry in the UK.

He is currently on the Board and Council and Chairman of International Events of The Textile Institute.

For the past twenty years he has worked as an international textile consultant on numerous projects with various governments and fund providers in 39 countries.

For the past three years he has been assisting (UNIDO) as the International Coordinator / Long Term Advisor for textile and garment projects in Bangladesh.

He is also chairman of Shepherd Street Trust – a children's Charity based in Preston, UK.

Prof Mervyn E Davies CText FTI FRSA

Mervyn Davies gained his textile education at the Nottingham Polytechnic, later to be known as Trent University. He then spent five years in the knitwear industry with Vedonis Ltd in Nottingham before joining Marks and Spencer in 1970 as a knitwear technologist. Over the next 33 years he became the Knitwear Business Specialist, principally involved with quality, product innovation and sourcing issues, and particularly developing a special relationship with manufacturers throughout the production chain around the world.

Since retiring in 2003 he has maintained a commercial interest in the textile industry through his own company and dedicated his time to The Textile Institute.

He is a CText FTI and an Honorary Visiting Professor at the University of Manchester. Mervyn is an active member of the TI Council and sits on various standing committees including, Diplomas, Membership, Events and in addition the Benevolent Society.

Honorary Fellowship

First established in 1928, this is the highest honour that the Institute can award to an individual member in recognition of personal creativity and the advancement of knowledge achieved over many years. It covers all occupational areas of the Institute's work, including science, technology, marketing and management.

Prof Xiao-Ming Tao CText FTI

Immediate Past World President of The Textile Institute, Prof Tao is also an elected Fellow of American Society of Mechanical Engineering and Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, Design and Commercial Applications, UK.

Prof Tao obtained a BEng in textile engineering from East China Institute of Textile Science and Technology and a PhD in textile physics from University of New South Wales in Australia. She is the Chair Professor of Textile Technology and Head of the Institute of Textiles and Clothing, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. Prof Tao's research areas cover intelligent fibrous materials, nanotechnology, photonic fibres and fabrics, flexible electronic and photonic devices, yarn manufacturing and textile composites. Prof Tao has published 5 books and over 180 SCI journal publications which were cited by other authors for more than 1100 times. She has 14 granted patents, among which 5 patents have been applied in the industry worldwide. She is currently Editor in Chief of Textile Progress.

Mr Kayser Sung CText FTI FCFI CompTI (posthumous award)

Kayser Sung, a textile economist and journalist from Hong Kong, had researched and written extensively for over fifty years on the rising textile industry in Asia. He was awarded in 1964 the Ramon Magsaysay Award for journalism and literature, in recognition of "accuracy, impartiality and continuing search for facts and insights in recording Asia's quest for economic advance." In 1965 he was asked to join a four-member textile experts group on the Asian textile industry for the United Nations. In 1970, he established Business Press Limited and started publication of the monthly journal Textile Asia, devoted to the coverage of the textile industry in Asia and the world. He was planning the 40th anniversary celebration of Textile Asia when he passed away early in 2010.

A member of The Textile Institute since the early 1970s, Kayser Sung served as chairman of The Institute's Hong Kong Section from 1986 to 1996, world vice-president of The Textile Institute from 1993 to 1996, and chair of the 1993 Textile Institute Conference organising committee. In 1983, he was awarded the Institute's Medal and in 1999, Companion of the Institute.

Prof Frank Ko

Prof Frank Ko is director of the Advanced Materials and Process Engineering Laboratory and Canada Research chair professor of advanced fibrous materials at the University of British Columbia. He received his PhD degree in Textile Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology. He is a SAMPE Fellow and recipient of the American Society for Composites award and the Fiber Society Award for Distinguished Achievement. An expert in textile composites and nanofibre technology, he has co-authored three books and 33 book chapters.

He has presented and published over 450 papers in the engineering design and analysis of fibrous structures for medical, industrial and advanced composite applications. He is serving on the editorial board of several journals. He served on the Roadmap team for the Aerospace Industry Association and the advisory committee for soldier protection for the National Research Council in the US. He is currently serving as a member of the advisory committee for CANMET, NRC in Canada.

Prof Jintu Fan CText FTI PhD FHKITA FRSA

Jintu Fan is a professor and associate head (Academic Affairs) of Institute of Textiles and Clothing, Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He holds a PhD (1989) from the University of Leeds and Bsc (1985) from China Textile University.

Prof Fan's research is focused on comfort and beauty through multi-disciplinary approaches. He has authored or co-authored 4 books and more than 200 papers or patents. In particular, his invention sweating fabric manikin-Walter, is a breakthrough in manikin technology and has made headline news in the international media; his pioneering study of bodily attractiveness using 3D body scanners is widely cited after publication in proceedings of the Royal Society of London-Biological Sciences. He has also contributed extensively towards research extension through the development of the world's first and largest apparel knowledge portal, www.apparelkey.com.

Prof Fan is a recipient of the 2003 Distinguished Achievement Award of the US Fiber Society and the 2001 President's Award of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

Prof Misako Niwa CText FTI

Prof Masako Niwa is now the emeritus professor at Nara Women's University, where she served as President from 1997 to 2003. She has organised Mt Fuji Textile Research Symposium since 1971, and has made a large contribution to the field of textile science and technology through this symposium. During her distinguished academic career of over 50 years, she has made outstanding contributions to the advancement of knowledge and the education of young generation of textile academics and researchers in the field of textile science and technology.

Honorary Life Membership

First awarded in 1979 and the highest award granted for service to the Institute. It recognises quite outstanding, exceptional, and sustained service to the Institute in the furtherance of its Charter objectives and to the textile industry generally.

Dr Anthony J Booth CText FTI BSc Tech AMCST

His association with The Textile Institute commenced in 1957 with the award of The Textile Institute Scholarship for a three year period. It was probably the Belle Vue Exhibition of 1958 that fired his enthusiasm to gain knowledge and serve in the textile industry. Prof WE Morton arranged an IAESTE scholarship in Yugoslavia for a two month period and that showed that the world was his oyster .

Under Dr John Hearle he completed a PhD studying the fatigue properties of nylon and polyester in tyre cords and parachutes for the US Army of the Rhine. After serving on the Bolton Section committee for a brief period he made a career choice for New Zealand in 1972. Almost immediately he was drafted on to the New Zealand Section committee, which had only just commenced in 1971. He has served on that committee almost continuously as Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman for two periods only retiring from the Committee in 2008. He has served on the Institute's headquarter committees and is still a member of the Diplomas Committee.

Mr Robert KG MacEwen CText FTI FCFI

Mr MacEwen has served both The Clothing and Footwear Institute (CFI) and The Textile Institute as Chairperson and Honorary Treasurer of CFI and Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Auditor of

The Textile Institute for many years. He has made a significant contribution in the management of finances and auditing of accounts for The Textile Institute.

Mr MacEwen commenced his professional career in 1956 as a management consultant to a footwear company, where he also worked as General Manager at the age of 29. He worked for Sears Holdings (British Shoe Corporation) as the Divisional Director in Footwear manufacture from 1960-1969. He has worked for a number of clothing and footwear companies, as well as engineering companies as Chief Executive, Chairman and Consultant.

His involvement with the Clothing and Footwear Institute as well as The Textile Institute commenced in 1985. He was the Honorary Treasurer of The Textile Institute for many years and lately he has also served the Institute as Honorary Auditor and Finance Consultant.

The Institute Medal

The oldest award of the Institute, inaugurated in 1921, it recognises distinguished service to the industry in general and to the Institute.

Lord Simon Haskel CText ATI CompTI

Lord Simon Haskel has been a member of The Textile Institute since 1958. He joined when he was a student at Salford Technical College now Salford University. He went on to work at Perrotts, a textile finishing company. After a short while he was involved in a management buyout and the company went on to develop many new textile finishes and processes which were licensed in many countries. One of the countries was China where he was one of the businessmen to go in when they started the open door policy in 1978.

Lord Haskel has always been a Labour Party supporter and with the encouragement of John Smith he was closely involved with building up relations between the Labour Party and the management side of business and industry. In 1993 he was one of the three Labour Peers appointed by John Smith when he was leader of the Party.

Lord Haskel has fulfilled many roles in the House of Lords, both in opposition and government. He was a member of the first Blair government; has served on many Committees; and has been a Lord in Waiting to the Queen. For the last eight years has been a Deputy Speaker. But he has not forgotten the textile industry or The Textile Institute. He has been instrumental in arranging many Institute events at the House of Lords, at the Treasury and at Downing Street.

Prof John WS Hearle CText FTI(Hon) MA ScD PhD FInstP

Prof John Hearle, is one of the most understanding figures in textile science and technology in the modern time. Graduating with a First Class Honours degree from the Cambridge University and PhD degree from the University of Manchester, he embarked onto a very colourful and successful career which has been inspiring for many newcomers to the industry.

He started his academic career in 1949 by serving on the faculty of the University of Manchester, Department of Textiles. He then became a Professor in Textile Technology and Chairman of the Department between 1974 and 1985. During that period he also served as the Dean of Faculty of Technology from 1979 and 1980. John is currently an Emeritus Professor and Professorial Fellow and is also the Chairman for TexEng Software Ltd.

He has published about 250 influential academic papers and authored and co-authored 14 books, and many of these have been used as 'bibles' of textile science and technology worldwide. He has

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been visiting professors to many eminent institutions including the MIT, NATO, DuPont, and University of Delaware in the USA.

John has been an active member of The Textile Institute and Fellow of The Textile Institute, and has served many important roles including Vice-President and Chairman of the Council.

Prof David R Buchanan CText FTI BSc PhD

David Buchanan received his PhD in physical chemistry from The Ohio State University. After 13 years in industry with the Chemstrand Research Center, Phillips Petroleum Company, and Phillips Fibers Corporation, he joined Cornell University as an Associate Professor. Three years later in 1978, he joined North Carolina State University as professor and Head of the Department of Textile Materials and Management in the College of Textiles. In 1988, he became Associate Dean for Academic Programs, and in 1990, Associate Dean for Research and Extension. He retired in 2004 as Emeritus Professor and Associate Dean.

During his tenure as Associate Dean for Research and Extension, he was instrumental in the formation of the National Textile Center - a federally-funded multi-university research consortium, where he served as a member of the Technical Advisory Committee and as Chair of the Operating Board. He was Editor in Chief of Textile Progress from 1994 – 2005, and Editor in Chief of the Journal of the Textile Institute from 2005 – present.

He has published over 60 research papers, received several patents, and is co-editor of the book, Automation in the Textile Industry, published by The Textile Institute.

Prof Ronald Postle CText FTI BSc AAIP

It is virtually impossible to summarise Prof Ron Postle's career which spans over nearly 50 years. He has a personal Chair in Textile Physics at the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia. He has published over 400 research papers and supervised 70 PhD graduates. His specialist areas of research are textile physics and engineering, especially structural mechanics of fibres, apparel and technical textile materials.

Prof Postle has received numerous awards and prizes, too many to mention here. He received the 2006 Founders Award from the Fiber Society, USA and Honorary Fellowship of The Textile Institute in 2009.

Prof Postle acts as a consultant to industry and numerous research organisations. He has the title of Emeritus Professor from the University of New South Wales and has held numerous international fellowships and visiting research and educational appointments.

He currently holds the following visiting academic appointments:

Visiting Professorial Fellow, School of Chemistry, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia; Invited Professor, ENSISA (previously ENSITM), University of Haute Alsace, Mulhouse, France; Visiting Professor, Heriot Watt University, Edinburgh, UK; Consulting Professor, Donghua University, Shanghai, China; Honorary Professor, Xian University of Science and Engineering, Xian, China; and Emeritus Professor, Wuhan University of Science and Engineering, China.

He was awarded Honorary Fellowship of The Textile Institute in 2009.

Institute Medal for Design

The Institute Medal for Design was inaugurated in 1971 to recognise professional designers or groups of designers who have devoted themselves to and made substantial contributions in the field of textile design using textile materials or design management. Candidates' contributions are assessed not only for aesthetic appeal but also for commercial success.

Mr Peter Butcher CText FTI BA

Peter Butcher has been a textile designer for all his career after graduating from the University of Leeds, initially working on stretch laces with Clutson-Penn including designing for the world's first electronic raschel machine. He then moved to Meridian, where he designed knitted underwear fabrics, mainly for Marks and Spencer.

Then joining Ellis Developments Limited, he developed design techniques for the embroidery of glass and carbon yarns and fibres in composites intended for aerospace and automotive applications.

He then branched out into embroidered textile surgical implants for the repair of shoulders, spines and for stents. He designed the textile ligament for the world's first operation to replace the collar bone, and a star-shaped implant to repair the shoulder.

In 2006 he joined Nuvasive Inc in San Diego, while remaining based in Nottingham, and continues to develop design methods in embroidery for spinal implants.

Holden Medal

Instituted by the Clothing and Footwear Institute (CFI) International, the Medal is awarded in recognition of an outstanding contribution to education for, or to the technology of, the clothing industry.

Mrs Angela C Peers CText FTI FCFI

Angela Peers' career in fashion education spans more than 35 years, her membership of the Clothing and Footwear Institute and Textile Institute spans more than 25 years. She is currently Vice Chair of the Design Interest Group.

At Manchester Metropolitan University, which has an international reputation as a leader in Clothing Design and Technology, Angela is responsible for academic enterprise in the Hollings Faculty, a role which includes the generation of third stream income, collaboration with the global fashion and textile industry, continuing professional development and sandwich degree placements. Her work on University business has taken her to more than 30 countries.

International recognition is evident by the high profile positions that she holds. She is a board member of the UK Fashion and Textile Association, a member of the board and Education Chair of the International Apparel Federation and education advisor to the Prime Source Forum. She is a member of the International Foundation for Fashion Technology Institutes and the International Textile and Apparel Association.

Lemkin Medal

The Lemkin Medal was established by the Clothing and Footwear Institute (CFI) International in 1960, and was awarded by the Council in recognition of exceptional service to the Institute in the areas of clothing and footwear. This award has been amended to recognise achievement and contribution rather than service to The Textile Institute.

Ms Jennifer P Bougourd CText FTI FCFI

Jennifer Bougourd has made a major contribution to the development of the BA in Clothing Product Development, the first degree of its kind in the LCF and the second in the UK, and at one stage was tutor in charge of the course.

In the last two decades she has developed steadily with research into applications of advanced technology for the clothing industry, perhaps the most obvious being her great contribution to the Size UK survey using the newly developing techniques of body scanning. In this she collaborated closely with many industrial companies.

Her research also continued in other areas breaking ground in advance of industry with for example 3D pattern cutting, and techniques of mass customisation, which have relevance also to footwear. One of her most recent activities has been her work with a major research project based in Wales to utilise smart materials and wearable electronics to increase personal activity during the ageing process.

She has been Chairman of the Fashion & Technology SIG since its inception. The main objective of the SIG is to promote clothing and footwear within the Institute, an area which she thought had been rather neglected since the merger with the Clothing and Footwear Institute in the early 1990's. A particular concern of the SIG is to promote post professional training in all textile areas with the aim of encouraging a much higher take up of TI qualifications. Although her main interest has been in clothing technology, she has not neglected footwear, and under her leadership the SIG is looking to launch a footwear conference in the near future.

Section Service Award

The Textile Institute Section Service Award exists to provide recognition for distinguished and active service by a member over several years to a particular Section or National Committee. It is not intended that purely nominal service on a Committee or as an Honorary Officer of a Section should be recognised by the award, nor would mere length of service in any capacity be an automatic criterion for making an award.

Mr MNA Chishti CText ATI

Mr Chishti graduated in Textile Engineering in 1970 from the National Collage of Textile Engineering, Faisalabad, Pakistan which is now called the National Textile University. He has over 40 years experience in the textile industry out of which 26 years is with the Monnoo Group one of Pakistan's biggest textile groups. Presently he is working in the capacity of senior executive director.

He has been a member of the Institute since 1978 and was awarded a CText ATI in 1983 and ever since he has been very actively engaged in the section activities as well as attending world conferences of the Institute. Since 1993 he has been the honorary secretary of the Lahore section and has been instrumental in arranging several international textile conferences.

Besides textiles he is also actively engaged in many social activities. He is a member of the Lahore Rotary club, the oldest one in Pakistan and is also President Rotary Community Centre and Medical Trust.

Mr P Barry F Whitaker CText FTI CompTI

Barry Whitaker is a graduate of Leeds University who in 1977 formed Allertex Ltd as a supplier of Textile machinery in the UK and in 1995 established Allertex of America in North Carolina.

Barry was elected to the Institute Council in 1977 and has been almost, but not quite, on Council ever since. Between 1979 and 1994 he was a member of the executive committee, and served as chairman of the Machinery Special Interest Group between 1982 and 1987.

Barry was chairman of the Public Relations and Marketing Committee between 1986 and 1989 and a member of the Publications Board. He served as Honorary Secretary between 1987 and 1991 and Chairman of Council between 1999 and 2001.

In 1982 he received the Service Medal followed by the award of Companionship in 1997. He is currently Chairman of the Yorkshire and District section.

He has recently been appointed a visiting Professor at Leeds University and his work with Bradford College has seen him included in their "Hall of Fame" where he is described as, 'A Textile Legend'!

Dr Rohana U Kuruppu CText FTI FCFI

Dr Rohana Kuruppu first graduated in textiles from Derby University, UK in 1977 and later obtained an honours degree in clothing studies from Manchester Metropolitan University, UK and a Master of Science in textiles from University of Strathclyde, UK in 1982.

Dr Kuruppu was conferred Doctor of Technology (honoris causa) from the Open University of Sri Lanka in 2005 and later received a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in 2009 from RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia.

He achieved a rare distinction when he was conferred with National Honours in 2005 by Her Excellency the President of Sri Lanka at the Investiture of National Honours for meritorious service rendered to the textile industry of Sri Lanka.

Dr Kuruppu was conferred Fellow of The Textile Institute, in 1997. He is the moving spirit of The Textile Institute Sri Lanka section and is the present chairman of the Sri Lanka section. In addition to work at the TI, he operates as the CEO of Brandix College of Clothing Technology.

Mr Donald West CText FTI (posthumous award)

The late Mr Don West was in possession of profound technical knowledge in textile technology, with utmost expertise in spinning and sewing thread production. He was highly respected in the textile field in the region of his work in the UK, Indonesia, China and Hong Kong.

He was the Chairman of the Hong Kong Section of The Textile Institute (the Textile Institute Association Hong Kong Ltd) for ten years, and spared no effort in fostering the Section to advance. Mainly attributed to his effort, the Section has organised eight series of Trim Technology Day (TTD) seminars in eight consecutive years, together with world renowned trim suppliers, namely East Sun Button International Ltd., Gunzetal Sewing Thread, YKK Zippers Co. Ltd, Fredenberg & Vilene International Ltd., RVL Packaging Far East Ltd. The TTD seminars have successfully brought the much needed technical knowledge about garment production and the correct use of trims.

They are overwhelmingly received by merchandisers in Hong Kong and China. In addition, he also took the lead for the Hong Kong Section to host the Trim Day Exhibition, seminars and frequent factory visits. These activities were most helpful in fostering the image and status of The Textile Institute.

Members of the Textile Institute Association (Hong Kong) Ltd Executive Committee had unanimously supported this nomination of award.

Other recipients of the Section Service Award:

Mr Vijay IJA Bhalla CText FTI

Dr Sailen K Chaudhuri CText FTI BSc MTech PhD

Mr Alope Goyal CText FTI

Mr Hari P Gupta BSc Text

Mr Kuldip K Sharma

Young Persons Award

The Young Persons Award was established in 2010 to celebrate the centenary of The Textile Institute, the award is presented to a student enrolled in a postgraduate programme accredited by The Textile Institute, to assist attendance at any international conference at which she/he will deliver a paper based on their postgraduate research.

This award was generously funded by Prof Mervyn Davies CText FTI previous chairman of The Textile Institute.

Recipient - Veronica A Legg, from Manchester Metropolitan University

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