

Incorporated in England by a Royal Charter granted in 1925, inaugurated in 1910, The Textile Institute is governed democratically by and on behalf of members throughout the world, registered as a charity and recognised as a non-profit association under the laws of many countries.  
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# Annual Report 2020

## Message from the World President



This is my second Annual Report as World President of The Textile Institute since my inauguration in May 2018 a role I have enjoyed immensely. I have had the opportunity to meet so many members in the UK and those based overseas all of whom have been incredibly welcoming to me.

We are living in unprecedented times. We only need to look at the first quarter of 2020 to understand why focus on building a Textile Institute with a lasting sustainable future is important:

- Outbreak of the Coronavirus
- Natural disasters effecting many worldwide
- Britain's exit from the EU
- Trade tensions between various countries worldwide
- Protests in major cities around the world
- Ongoing extinction rebellion marches
- Political, economic and social unrest
- International travel suspended

Many of you have been involved in helping shape the future of The Textile Institute and as you can see there have been extensive external factors to take into consideration and I thank you for your continued participation.

Despite these external factors the Institute continues to support many awards, bursaries and sponsorships including; Manchester and Cheshire Section Textiles & Life 2 Award, The Textile Institute Young Persons Award, The Golden Shears Awards, and supporters of New Designers, the Royal Opera House Design Challenge, Sri Lanka Section Awards and the Bradford Textile Society Design Competition to name a few. We are also proud partners with Artsthread a global graduate site.

We hosted an Awards Ceremony in Manchester in May 2019 following the Institute's AGM. Guests attended from India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Europe, US, Japan, Bangladesh and China. The North India Section of the TI celebrated its 30 year anniversary. We will continue to nurture and nourish textile talent globally.

The Textile Institute continues to attend major trade shows around the world and were supporting partners of ITMA 2019 the International Textile Machinery Association exhibition, held in Barcelona, Spain and Techtextil 2019 in Frankfurt, Germany where the TI staff welcomed friends old and new.

The Textile Institute is proud supporters of the Sustainable Clothing Action Plan, an industry-led action plan which delivers positive environmental and economic outcomes to organisations, by reducing carbon, water and waste through the SCAP 2020 Commitment, using collective action to minimise the environmental impact of our clothes.

We have been developing our publications portfolio in the past few years with a long-term strategic goal to be a leading publisher worldwide representing the whole textile industry. The Textile Institute's portfolio of publications includes books, journals, magazines and monographs of worldwide interest. We have chosen globally recognised publishers to communicate essential information and research in all areas of textiles including science, engineering, economics, management, marketing and design.

In the Spring of 2020 we will launch our brand new website. It will enable us to interact with new members, involve new audiences and promote textiles so that we can have better interaction with members, our sections globally and the wider industry.

I am excited about our Textile Institute's future.

Katie Greenyer  
World President



## Message from the Chair of Council



Thank you for taking the time to read the Chairman's message as part of The Textile Institute's (TI) Annual Report. As previously, it is my great pleasure to fill you in on some of the important activities that have taken place since the 2019 Annual Report was issued.

The Chairman's role is to ensure that the Members of The TI Council, who are all trustees of this professional, charitable body, act diligently to ensure the TI remains a going concern. I can confirm that Council has worked well over the past year in this respect, despite a difficult financial period globally. As well as discussing budgetary matters it must also conform to the regulations of the Charity Commission, which it consistently refers to. As more TI members wish to get involved with its work, so more have shown an interest in joining Council and in 2019, more members were nominated than there were seats for, necessitating a ballot for places. Long may this interest continue.

In my last message to you I advised that there had been several staff changes at TIHQ, some of which had had an impact on member engagement. Despite several new appointments in 2019, TIHQ has again suffered from a 'churn' of personnel and so new appointments have been necessary. Nevertheless, senior staff are confident that recent appointments are already having a positive effect on the operation as a whole and we look forward to this continuing in 2020.

Both as a result of periods with low staff resource and technical issues with the website/data management, the distribution of reminders for individual member fee payments was impeded during 2019. Members so affected have been contacted through a manual system of distribution and a considerable amount of membership income has been recouped. Staff are to be congratulated for this.

To assist with future fee collection, members agreed to a streamlining of members' anniversary dates at the AGM in May 2019. This system will be rolled out during 2020 and will help to improve cashflow. Despite some decline in Individual Membership income in 2019, staff attendance at ITMA Barcelona and Techtextil were important for networking and the development of new contacts which has resulted in new member acquisitions. Corporate Membership has continued to grow, which is great news.

Our Sections around the world have been very active. It is impossible for me to mention all activities and I hope Sections will forgive me for missing anything they have done! The Sri Lanka Section celebrated its 45th Anniversary and held an awards ceremony as part of its AGM. Its headquarters have recently moved to the University of Moratuwa and I know the Section will want to thank Brandix for being its host for many years previously. In addition, the North India Section (NISTI) celebrated 30 years since its inception with a series of events and the launch of a new website. The Chairman sent a message of congratulations and the World President, a short video message. Both the Chairman and World President,

separately, visited members in Australia, China, Hong Kong SAR, and New Zealand. In the UK, the London & SE England Section continued to hold an interesting schedule of events throughout the year whilst the Manchester & Cheshire Section hosted the 2nd Textiles and Life conference, designed to allow research students to present their work to a supportive and non-judgemental audience.

The Professional Qualifications department has seen significant growth in both accreditation and approved course submissions. An increase in the number of individual applications has also been observed, with Fellowship being the most desired qualification. The committee works hard to advise and support both individuals and colleges/universities with their paperwork. Consequently, an increase in applications from industry members has been seen, which is very welcome.

The Publication's department book portfolio is still having a positive effect on the income stream. Textiles magazine is keenly awaited by members and provides valuable information on subjects of current interest together with Section and Institute news. The Journal of the Textile Institute and Textile Progress are key research journals for our industry and are regularly referenced by others.

The department welcomes interest from new authors and reviewers. The Institute would also like to hear from members worldwide willing to offer their expertise to assist its 'ask an expert' service; its short courses; and consultancy queries.

This is my last report to you as Chairman of Council. Having been in the Chair for 5 of the last 7 years it is important for someone else to have the opportunity to take the reins and I wish my successor all the very best in the role. As a membership organisation we all have responsibility for ensuring a successful future for this, the global chartered professional body for our industry, and I hope that the efforts we put in to encourage young professionals to join us pays off. The eagerly anticipated new website will greatly benefit the Institute in this respect and I thank everyone who has been involved in its design and development, ahead of its launch.

I am truly grateful to the Institute staff and my fellow trustees for the efforts they put in across the year to promote the Institute and ensure it runs in a safe, secure and proper manner. The dedication and professionalism of senior staff at TIHQ deserves special mention. The Institute just could not survive without them.

A final reminder that this is **your** Institute. An organisation born 110 years ago and which has held a Royal Charter for almost 100 of those years. It is an organisation with a rich history and heritage and with your help and foresight will have an assured and successful future.

Helen Rowe CompTI CText FTI  
Chairman of Council and Board



## Honorary Treasurer's Report



Once more I must thank the team at The Textile Institute for their efforts over the year. We have again been struggling to retain and recruit staff to administer the TI. This has impacted on our income particularly from Membership fees. I should also state that the rest of the team have worked extremely hard to cover

for the lack of staff.

It is likely to be a 'break even' or a small profit year given the above issues.

Our income depends greatly on the amount received from the Publications area and we all should be aware that this is half our total income. We have seen a decrease in income from this area and this will impact on the overall figures.

Professional Qualifications department has had a very successful year with significant growth in both accreditation and approved courses. For individuals the CText FTI was the most popular professional qualification – this varies year on year.

The Parliamentary Lunch remains a highlight of the year and income from this event remains good and included sponsorship from TI partners Taylor and Francis. In addition, the TI held an Awards Ceremony in 2019 which welcomed generous sponsorship from Verivide Ltd and the Cotton Council Incorporated. The TI is very reliant on these sponsors for the success of such events which allows the international office to run such activities.

The TI did not hold a World Conference in 2019 and so no income will be received from this event.

The Textile Institute is in the planning stage for a new website following the recent issues with the current site which has affected members and membership income. Pentland Brands Ltd has made a generous donation along with a number of Individual Members to allow the TI to begin the website project a year earlier than planned. The Institute is extremely grateful to its supporters which will allow the site to be launched in the first half of 2020.

As well as sponsorship for events the Institute continues to receive a generous donation from the Lord Barnby a past World President of The Textile Institute.

Income from magazine advertising remains constant and the new website will come on stream early in 2020 to further increase our income from advertisements.

As stated earlier the areas for our focus must be Publications and Membership both Corporate and Individual.

Expenditure is more predictable with some savings in staff costs as the TI was under-staffed at periods during the year.

Borrowing arrangements with our Bank remain secure with a manageable overdraft. The overdraft is secured against an Investment Portfolio.

The Institute did not need to borrow any further money from either internal or external funds during the year.

For 2020, I believe we will be financially challenged but with the focus on increasing Individual and Corporate Membership and the continued income from the Publications Department.

We should also see additional income following the launch of the new website.

Geoff Kershaw CText ATI  
Honorary Treasurer

## Events and Activities

**2019 Events and Activities:** Organised or Partnered by the TI

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|------------------|---|
| <b>January</b>   | Yorkshire & District Section and Bradford Textile Society, PP Townend Memorial Lecture, Bradford, UK<br>London & SE England Section, Roy Godden Lecture, 'Coming Home and Here to Stay', London, UK   |
| <b>February</b>  | Sri Lanka Section event, 'Introduction to Needle Punch Non-Woven Technology, Products and Applications', Rathmalana, Sri Lanka<br>London & SE England Section event 'Creating a Circular Economy: Textile Waste Recycling', London, UK  |
| <b>March</b>     | TI Introduction to Textiles - Short Course, Manchester, UK  |
| <b>April</b>     | International Apparel & Textile Fair, Dubai, United Arab Emirates<br>IFFTI Conference, Manchester, UK   |
| <b>May</b>       | North India Section 30 Year Celebration Events, Delhi, India<br>The Bradford Textile Society Design Competition and Exhibition, Bradford, UK<br>Techtextil 2019 British Pavilion, Frankfurt, Germany<br>TI Annual General Meeting 2019, Manchester, UK<br>TI Awards Ceremony and Lunch 2019, Manchester, UK   |
| <b>June</b>      | London & SE England Section AGM, London, UK<br>London & SE England Section event, 'Fast fashion for the UK', London, UK<br>ITMA 2019 Show, Barcelona, Spain<br>New Designers Exhibition, London, UK   |
| <b>July</b>      | North India Section Conference and Exhibition Opportunities in High Growth Segments of Technical Textiles, Delhi, India   |
| <b>August</b>    | Tex Talks Conference, Lahore, Pakistan<br>The British Wool Show, York, UK   |
| <b>September</b> | Sri Lanka Section Talk 'Application of wool in ballistic protection by blending with aramids' Ratmalana, Sri Lanka  |
| <b>October</b>   | Yorkshire & District Section and Huddersfield Textile Society, White Rose Lecture, Huddersfield, UK<br>TI Introduction to Textiles - Short Course, Manchester, UK<br>WTiN Innovate Textile & Apparel Europe Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands<br>London & SE England Section, 'Pinatex: A new material for a sustainable future', London, UK<br>Sri Lanka Section 'The World Textile and Clothing Trade in the Asian Region', Mount Lavinia, Sri Lanka |
| <b>November</b>  | International Apparel & Textile Fair, Dubai, United Arab Emirates<br>E-Textiles Conference, London, UK<br>TI Awards Ceremony and Parliamentary Lunch 2019, London, UK<br>Manchester & Cheshire Section: Textiles and Life 2 Conference, Manchester, UK  |
| <b>December</b>  | Sri Lanka Section AGM, Awards Ceremony and Dinner   |

## Key Achievements

- JTI maintains its listing in the top 10 materials science journals worldwide
- JTI impact factor 1.063
- 5 newly accredited courses to ATI
- 3 reaccredited to ATI
- 6 courses approved with credit
- 18 new FTIs awarded
- 19 new ATIs awarded
- 2 new LTIs awarded
- ITMA 2019: TI is a supporting organisation
- Tech Textil 2019: TI exhibits at the show
- A full programme of Section activities
- TI partners E-Textiles Network
- New Designers: TI is a supporter of the exhibition
- North India Section celebrates 30 years since inauguration
- TI Medals and Awards Ceremony
- Manchester and Cheshire Section Textiles & Life 2 Award
- Sri Lanka Section Awards
- TI sponsors:  
The Golden Shears Awards, Royal Opera House Design Challenge, and the Bradford Textile Society Design Competition
- Event Licence Agreements: TI supports and partners events worldwide
- 4 Premier Corporate Members join the Institute
- 6 Corporate Members join the Institute
- 1 Reciprocal Membership MOU signed
- Record number of nominations received to join Council

## Corporate Membership

**Premier Corporate Members** have access to many more benefits including a place at the Parliamentary Lunch in November, an advert in textiles and the organisational logo displayed on The Textile Institute homepage, one free day delegate place on the Introduction to Textiles course, amongst other benefits. We are also happy to tailor the package to suit individual requirements throughout the year.

**Airbond Splicer**  
**Allergy Standards**  
**Daffodil International University**  
**DBL Group**  
**Dugdale Bros & Co Ltd**  
**Fabpro Specialities Ltd**  
**Leeds Arts University**



**DUGDALE BROS & CO**  
MIDDLESBROUGH



**Manchester Metropolitan University**  
**Natific AG**  
**Oerlikon Textile GmbH & Co KG**  
**Potter Clarkson LLP**  
**Premier Textiles Ltd**  
**SDC Enterprises**



**Shirley Technologies Limited**  
**University of Leeds**  
**University of Manchester**  
**VeriVide Limited**  
**Wisla Narrow Fabrics Limited**  
**Wuhan Textile University**  
**Xiros Ltd**



## Corporate Membership

**Corporate Membership** allows organisations to keep up to date with what is happening in the textile industry locally, nationally and globally. This includes opportunities for potential partners for strategic alliances. Immediate access to an international network of contacts. Through the TI's extensive global network members benefit from contacts with textile professionals worldwide.

AATCC

AgResearch Ltd

Alvanon UK Ltd

Aquitex SA

Arts Thread

ASBCI

Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT)

BGMEA University Fashion & Technology

Bradford Textile Society

British Textile Machinery Association

Chinese Textile Engineering Society CTES

De Montfort University

EDANA-European Disposables and Nonwovens Association

E-Textiles Network

Gherzi Consulting Engineers Pvt Ltd

Gdynia Cotton Associates

Heriot Watt University

KOTITI Testing & Research Institute

London College of Fashion

Marks & Spencer PLC

Martin-Baker Aircraft Company Ltd

Next Plc

Northern India Textile Research Association

Nottingham Trent University

Pentland Group Plc

Ravensbourne

Recyclatex

South India Textile Research Association SITRA

Staffordshire University

Taiwan Textile Research Institute

Telestia Malaysia - Clotech Atelier Academy

Textiles Scotland

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

The Technological Institute of Textiles and Sciences

Tosrifa Industries Limited

UKFT

Universiti Teknologi Mara

University of Huddersfield

University of Northampton

Worshipful Company of Weavers



Corporate Members of The Textile Institute are afforded many diverse benefits as part of their membership making it useful to both Industrial & Academic organisations.

	Premier	Standard	Affiliate*
	£1000	£700	£500
<b>Premier Services</b>			
One complimentary place at the annual Parliamentary Lunch	✓		
On joining half page in TI News section of textiles the membership magazine	✓		
Quarterly news update in textiles membership magazine	✓		
One complimentary newsletter or update a year emailed to TI members and other databases	✓		
One complimentary day place on one of the Introduction- Short Courses (Textiles and Clothing)	✓		
Unlimited access to Textile Terms and Definitions (TT&D)	✓		
Special recognition on the TI website	✓		
<b>Promote, Network and Events</b>			
Exclusive rights to use the TI Corporate Member logo on all Corporate ID	✓	✓	✓
Web listing - Logo, contact details, and web link will be, illustrated on the Institute website	✓	✓	✓
Profile in textiles membership magazine that is distributed to a 4000 plus readership	✓	✓	✓
Promotion of organisation events and conferences on the TI website, and other media	✓	✓	✓
All staff to attend TI events for free or with a substantial discount	✓	✓	✓
Use TI Facebook and Twitter pages to share news and promote organisation	✓	✓	✓
Annual Certificate of Corporate Membership received from the Institute	✓	✓	✓
Sections - Take part and network at local events	✓	✓	✓
SIGs - Take the platform and raise issues relating to your industry worldwide	✓	✓	✓
Access to international events worldwide	✓	✓	✓
<b>Information Service</b>			
Quick enquiries from the Information Department	✓	✓	✓
Advertise latest employment opportunities via the TI website	✓	✓	✓
20% Discount on most TI services including advertising rates and books	✓	✓	✓
<b>Publications</b>			
textiles magazine: Digital and hard copy format	✓	✓	✓
'ITC' International Textile Calendar of up to 200 events held worldwide: Digital format	✓	✓	✓
Membership Directory: In digital format - search for textiles professionals	✓	✓	✓
Annual Report: Digital and hard copy format	✓	✓	✓
The Journal of the Textile Institute: Digital and hard copy format	✓	✓	✓
Textile Progress: Digital and hard copy format	✓	✓	✓
TI News: Digital and hard copy format	✓	✓	✓
Email Newsletters keeping members up to date with news	✓	✓	✓
Access to Textile Terms and Definitions (TT&D)	✓	✓	✓

\*Affiliate has two employees who are currently individual TI members



## Publications

### Committee

The Publications Committee continues to oversee the Institute's portfolio of publications which include journals, periodicals, books in print and in electronic media. The Committee chair Prof Richard Murray CompTI CText FTI has continued to progress the work done in this department and work is underway in publishing new titles with a range of publishing partners, including Taylor & Francis, Elsevier, CRC and Greenleaf.

Anyone wishing to be involved in the work of the Publications Committee should contact The Textile Institute directly.

### The Journal of The Textile Institute

Published by Taylor & Francis on behalf of the Institute, the Journal of The Textile Institute (JTI) continues to lead the way in research and innovation. The Textile Institute was delighted to appoint two editors in chief to the journal in 2019 Prof X Wang CText FTI PhD Pro Vice-Chancellor (Future Fibres), Deakin University, Australia and Dr X Chen CText FTI PhD Reader, Department of Materials, University of Manchester, UK. The committee are confident these recent appointments will bring fresh insight to the journal and build on the excellent foundations of past editors. The journal continues to be ranked in the top 10 of materials science journals in the world.

### Textile Progress

Published by Taylor & Francis on behalf of The Textile Institute and edited by Prof Richard Murray CompTI CText FTI PhD, this critical review journal first published in 1969, provides a comprehensive examination of research development in textiles, clothing and footwear.

### International Journal of Fashion Design, Technology and Education

Published by Taylor & Francis and co-badged by The Textile Institute, this journal aims to provide a high quality peer-reviewed forum for research in fashion design, pattern cutting, apparel production, manufacturing technology and fashion education.

### Textiles

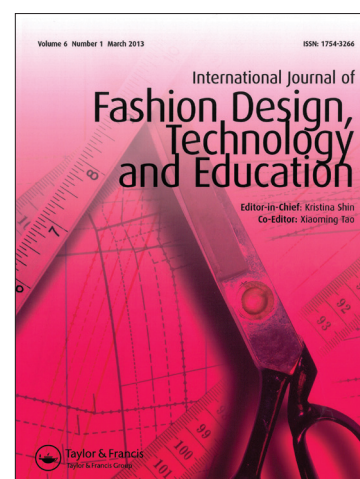
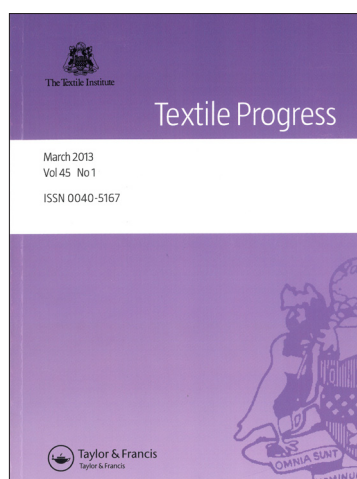
textiles is the Institute's magazine, edited by Vanessa Wakefield. The magazine covers all aspects of the textile industry and the diverse interests of The Textile Institute's Membership.

### TT&D

Textile Terms and Definitions (TT&D) is the industry essential authoritative collection of textile terms and definitions. Available now on-line covering all aspects of the textile, clothing and footwear. The digital medium makes the publication portable and allows the panel of experts to revise and update terms continually. Subscription packages are available at [www.ttandd.org](http://www.ttandd.org) In 2020 TT&D will be integrated into the new website and become part of the membership package.

### Writing for a Textile Institute Publication

The Textile Institute's portfolio of publications includes books, journals and periodicals of worldwide interest. The Institute has chosen highly-renowned, globally-recognised publishers to work with to communicate essential information about high-quality research in all areas of textiles including science, engineering, economics, management, marketing and design. The TI invites authors and reviewers to work with the Institute in support of these publication initiatives and to take advantage of the opportunities they offer for worldwide recognition. Contact Rebecca Unsworth [runsworth@textileinst.org.uk](mailto:runsworth@textileinst.org.uk)





# Professional Qualifications

## Individual Qualifications

Since 1926 The Textile Institute has conferred professional qualifications to Individual Members. Members can apply by filling in an application form which is assessed by a committee of peers.

**Licentiate**ship is awarded to those with a good level of knowledge in one specialist area and a general awareness of textiles and related industries. The holder of this qualification can use the post nominal letters LTI.

**Associate**ship is a chartered professional qualification awarded to those with specialism in one area of textiles and a broad general knowledge of textiles and related industries. The holder of this qualification can use the post nominal letters CText ATI.

**Fellow**ship is the highest level professional qualification awarded by The Textile Institute. Conferred to those who fulfil the requirements of CText ATI but have also made a major personal creative contribution. The holder of this qualification can use the post nominal letters CText FTI.

## Accreditation

The TI accredits a wide range of courses worldwide to both Licentiate and Associate level. Students graduating from these courses are able to apply after a shorter period of postgraduate work experience.

The courses are peer assessed and qualifying courses are able to demonstrate programme quality and excellence of provision.

Along with the individual qualifications the accreditation has also been revised to explicitly open up the range of courses being taught in textile related disciplines worldwide. New application forms have been created to make the application process more streamlined and user friendly.

## Currently Accredited Universities

RMIT University, Australia  
BGMEA University of Fashion & Technology (BUFT), Bangladesh  
Wuhan Textile University, China  
Technical University of Liberec, Czech Republic  
RWTH Aachen University, Germany  
fashion-express.de, Germany  
eTelestia, Greece  
Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong  
Indian Institute of Carpet Technology, India  
CFTI Agra, India  
DKTE, India  
Universiti Teknologi Mara, Malaysia  
University of Otago, New Zealand  
National Textile University, Pakistan

University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka  
fashion express learning, UK  
Manchester Metropolitan University, UK  
Nottingham Trent University, UK  
Ravensbourne, UK  
Robert Gordon University, UK  
Staffordshire University, UK  
University of the Arts London, UK  
University of Dundee, UK  
University of Huddersfield, UK  
University of Leeds, UK  
University of Manchester, UK  
Philadelphia University + Thomas Jefferson University, USA

## Approval

The TI approves a number of courses globally through its Approval scheme. Designed for in-house training, short courses, on-line delivery and programmes not otherwise eligible for validation via the accreditation route. These courses can be approved with or without academic credit.

Submission is by application form and each course is assessed individually to ensure that the training offered is of the highest standard and supports the continual professional development of those working in textiles, clothing and footwear.



## Sections

The Textile Institute is a fully international organisation represented by local and national offices around the world. Sections are run by its members who provide a programme of local activities, factory visits, workshops, seminars and social events.

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## Special Interest Groups

The Textile Institute has members in all sectors of fibre-based industries worldwide. Special Interest Groups provide a focus for members in different sectors, and many of them organise conferences, study tours and other events in their subject area.

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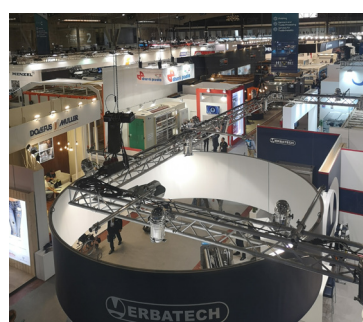
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Special Interest Group activities, groups and events are open to all members to take part in. The Council of the Institute accepts proposals from members to revitalise or set up new groups that are of interest to the wider textiles industries worldwide.



# The Textile Institute Council

## Honorary Officers and TI Officials

World President

**Katie Greenyer** UK

Chairman of Council

**Helen Rowe** CompTI CText FTI UK

Immediate Past World President

**Muharrem Kayhan** Turkey

Vice-Chairman

**Dr Sainen Chaudhuri** CText FTI India

Vice President: **Roger Gilmartin** CText ATI UK

Vice President: **Helen Rowe** CompTI CText FTI UK

Honorary Secretary: **Elizabeth Fox** Comp TI UK

Honorary Treasurer: **Geoff Kershaw** CText ATI UK

Chairman of Professional Qualifications

**Dr Simon Harlock\*** CText FTI UK

Chairman of Events

**Dr Xiaogang Chen** CText FTI UK

Chairman of Membership

**Barbara Waters\*** CText FTI UK

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**Dr Phoebe Apeagyei** CText ATI UK

**Pitchamuthu Boobalan** Indonesia

**Simon Burnet-Boothroyd** CText FTI UK

**Muhammad Chishti** CText FTI Pakistan

**Dr Anne Creigh-Tyte** CText FTI UK

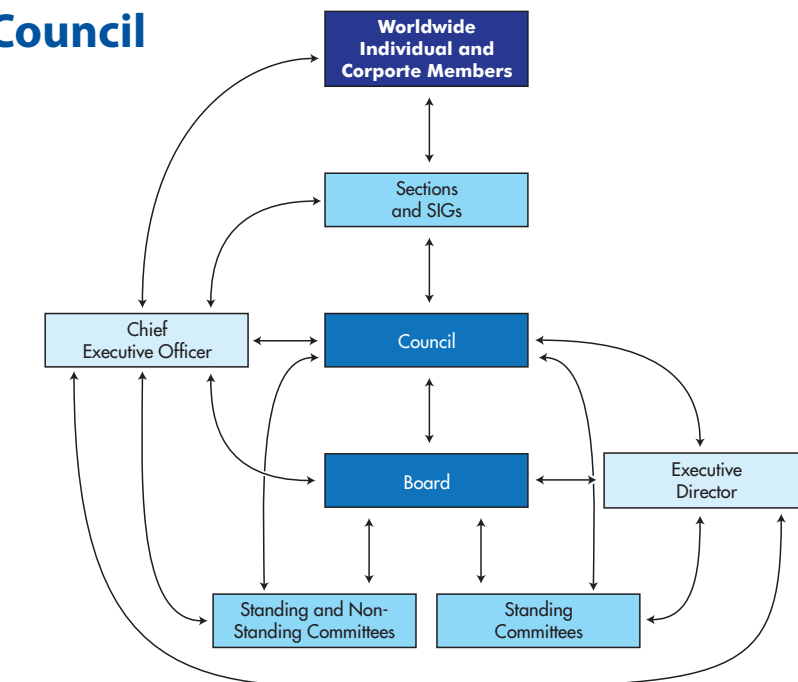
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**Abid Ganaie** CText FTI Pakistan

**Dr Hafsa Jamshaid** CText FTI Pakistan

**Dr Vishaka Karnad** CText FTI India



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**Prof Richard Murray\*** Comp TI CText FTI UK

Chairman of Benevolent Society

**Prof Richard Horrocks\*** CText FTI UK

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