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A luncheon, the first of a series of functions in celebration of the grant of a Royal Charter of Incorporation to the Institute, was held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, on Wednesday, 14th October, when the principal guest Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, K.B.E., M.P., President of the Board of Trade, Mr. John Emsley, J.P., to whom the efforts and generosity of the Chartered Institute had been largely due, occupied the chair. The following

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Prof Malgorzata Zimniewska
CText FTI
World President

Message from the

World President

This is my third annual report as World President of The Textile Institute.

We continue to live in turbulent times marked by numerous armed conflicts with global implications. Simultaneously, we must all address climate change to protect our planet for future generations. The apparel and footwear industries contribute up to 10% of global greenhouse gas emissions, more than the airline and maritime industries combined. They are also major contributors to microplastic pollution, producing 35% of the microplastics in the oceans. Textile products rank fourth in carbon footprint among household consumption categories, third in water consumption, and fifth in the use of primary raw materials. In 2020, the EU generated 6.95 million tonnes of textile waste, which is increasing annually. Therefore, it is imperative that the textile sector develops innovative sustainable solutions to reduce its negative impact on the environment, society, and economy.

The Textile Institute is addressing these challenges through its wide-ranging activities aimed at supporting the global textile community. The TI Strategy for 2024-2028 outlines our vision to be a leading international network for the textile, clothing, footwear, and associated industries. This strategy enables the implementation of professional practices, education, awards, and publication activities. Our five special interest groups are catalysts for change in sustainability, tailoring, textiles, technical textiles, and e-textiles. These groups facilitate international discussions to solve the sector's main problems and develop innovations aligned with sustainable development goals.

The Institute is continuously developing its publishing portfolio to provide opportunities for researchers worldwide to publish their latest scientific achievements. The portfolio includes The Journal of The Textile Institute, Textile Progress, two book series (The Textile Institute Book Series and The Textile Institute Professional Publications), and The Textile Institute's magazine textiles. Focusing on current textile problems provides significant opportunities for researchers to publish their study results in these journals and books. As part of the 'Tea with the TI' webinar series we introduced one focusing on "Academic Journal and Book Publishing: A Guide for Authors," to facilitate an open pathway to publishing for the sector.

In 2024, The Textile Institute held its annual Parliamentary Lunch in the Cholmondeley Room at the House of Lords in London. This event was very attractive and well-attended, with 118 delegates participating. Furthermore The 93rd World Conference of The Textile Institute, hosted by AQUITEX, will be held in Porto, Portugal, from October 7-10, 2025. The theme is "Fiber to Future: Transforming Fashion and Textiles through Sustainability and Digitalisation." This global event provides an excellent platform to exchange knowledge and experience and strengthen the bonds among textile experts from around the world.

The Textile Institute promotes international cooperation in a friendly atmosphere, encouraging its members to develop their skills and qualifications through special TI tools and professional knowledge sharing.

This is my final report as World President of The Textile Institute after which I will hand the baton to Mr Charles Wood. I would urge members to use all The Textile Institute benefits, to improve activity, form valuable connections and enable scientific problems solving. I wish all members universal peace, acceptance, empathy and friendship as we move into 2025.



Chair of Council

It is my greatest honour to present my second annual report since being elected Chair of The Textile Institute.

We have moved forward at pace during the last 12 months, building on solid foundations underpinned by an ambitious strategy. We continue to strengthen our global standing by serving new markets across the textile supply chain, ensuring financial security, and supporting our global community through our charitable status. Our vision is to be the foremost international organisation for textile, clothing, and footwear professionals, advancing professional practice through networking, education, awards, and publications.

Our strategy outlines core values central to sustaining our business model, enabling us to be the leading network for textiles, clothing, footwear, and associated industries worldwide. We have extended the Council Section Showcases to include updates from Special Interest Groups and remain committed to expanding our publication portfolio, increasing membership, developing professional qualifications, and offering more short courses. Publications remain the main contributor for the Institute, and we value our relationships with Taylor & Francis, Elsevier, and CRC Press. During the last year we have increased revenue from events by extending our services to our global network of industry professionals. Furthermore, I am delighted to announce that we have introduced a second new short programme, Fabric Knowledge and we are currently developing a third with our Technical Textile Special Interest Group.

In partnership with our nine Sections worldwide and five special interest groups, we support our global community through various activities. Highlights include the annual Textile Institute Parliamentary Lunch, where over 100 experts joined our host The Right Honourable Lord Haskel to network and share ideas. Fiona Johnson discussed innovation in functional and performance apparel, and Beatrice Russell shared her journey to establish a sustainable wearable solutions company with assistance from the Prince's Trust.

Sustainability remains central to our mission. We eagerly await The 93rd Textile Institute World Conference in Porto, Portugal, themed "Fibre to Future - Transforming Fashion and Textiles through Sustainability and Digitalisation." Collaborations between universities, charities, and commerce, locally and globally, are essential to drive innovation forward. Some of the discussions will be the start of new opportunities, networks, and partnerships that will make a significant difference to some of the key global sustainability challenges we currently face. We are building an institute for the future, ready to tackle these challenges head-on.

On a final note, I would like to thank our staff for their tireless support. There is much to be proud of as we embark on our journey into 2025, a special year marking the centenary of our Royal Charter. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to The Textile Institute. In a world of much uncertainty, we are weaving the threads of humanity together to make a sustainable impact within the global fashion, textiles and associated industries.



Prof Jess Power
CText FTI
Chair of Council





Prof Pammi Sinha
CText FTI
Honorary Treasurer

Honorary Treasurer's Report

This is my first report as Honorary Treasurer and I am grateful to the team at Manchester TIIHQ for the excellent care taken of the TI finances.

During 2024, ambitious targets had been set for the TI to achieve with a view to moving to a much stronger financial position and, indeed, in general, this year has been one of steady improvement. Our cash flow at the end of December 2024 was £50,588.63 and I am delighted to report income over expenditure shows an end of year surplus in the region of £30,000.

In terms of our income, we met or exceeded many of the targets that we set for ourselves. Some (such as bank income) are out of our control, but we received higher than expected interest and income. Events such as short courses, and the Parliamentary Lunch did very well and brought in 17% of the 2024 income. We had a much larger number of members attend both and we will be pushing to attract non-members too for next year. The TI World Conference founding fee and the sponsorship from Taylor and Francis also helped to raise our income. Membership is our second largest 2024 income area at 30% of the annual income but we would ideally like to see this grow to 35% of our annual income by ensuring that the benefits of membership continue to be developed. Similarly, it remains essential to ensure the widespread promotion of Professional Qualifications, Institutional Accreditations, and the Approval of Short Courses in order to achieve a 5% increase in the current uptake of this professional service.

Publications, at 46% of the annual 2024 income, remains our largest income area, and is a multifaceted but largely very positive picture. Although we narrowly missed our budget income target, we have increased income from 2024 publications by 3%. We met the advertising budget and exceeded the book commissioning fees. Our magazine subscriptions were also up and may go up again next year. We narrowly missed our target income from "books sold" and "royalties". Book selling may be impacted by the current market conditions, or lack of promotion. Last year there was no capacity for the 'Book of the Month' feature but, as staffing capacity is gradually being restored, we are addressing this. The final royalties figures (from Taylor and Francis and Elsevier) are yet to be received and should increase the figures for publications overall. I would urge all members to propose writing books through the TI as the commissioning fees only come to us this way.

With regards to expenditures, there was very little overspend on our budget target. The Annual Report, the Annual General Meeting, printing of papers, certificates, stalls, marketing and other costs are much reduced due to activities being online. Travel and subsistence were also reduced this year largely because there was no TI World Conference – I expect this to increase this year as we look forward to the conference in Porto. Although new staff have been employed, the costs were lower than budgeted for and due to employment starting slightly later than anticipated in September 2024.

Our additional staff members at TIIHQ have already become embedded within the excellent team at Manchester TIIHQ and I look forward to continuing financial improvement and meeting our ambitious financial targets. Our major focus remains on increasing both Corporate and Individual Membership, through improved marketing of all our services and benefits of membership.



The Textile Institute is established

1910

Inauguration Year

The formal Inauguration of the Institute in Manchester 22 April First Conference (Congress) held in Bradford

1910

Journal of The Textile Institute is published as a record of the Proceedings of The Institute

The first edition is published in the Institute's inaugural year and remains its flagship publication to this day

1921

Institute Medal

Institute Medal established, initiating the Institute's awards programme

1925

The first Fellowship (CText FTI) is awarded

This qualification recognises members who have made a major personal creative contribution to the textiles industry

1925

The Textile Institute is granted its Royal Charter

Celebration proceedings are held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, UK in October 1925

1923

The Journal of the Textile Institute

The Journal of the Textile Institute starts to publish scientific papers as Journal Transactions

1926

The first Associateship (CText ATI) is awarded

This qualification recognises members who have a high level of knowledge and a specialism in at least one area

1928

The first Licentiate (LTI) is awarded

This qualification recognises members who have a good level of knowledge and a specialism in at least one area

1953

The beginning of international Sections

First overseas Section set up in Calcutta, India

1969

Textile Progress

Launch of The Institute's critical review journal covering all aspects of textiles, clothing, and footwear

1966

The terms Proceedings and Transactions

were dropped from the Journal of the Textile Institute and the publication continues simply as the Journal of the Textile Institute

1954

Textile Terms and Definitions

The first edition of TT&D is published as a pamphlet. This globally recognised publication has been expanded many times and is now an online resource with over 5,000 terms

1980

Accreditation

The first Associateship level accreditation is awarded

1993

Chartered Clothing and Footwear Institute

CFI merges with The Textile Institute

1997

textiles

Launch of The Institute's magazine covering all aspects of the global textile industry

2010

Industry Awards

Introduced to celebrate the centenary and recognise industry achievement

2010

Centenary of The Textile Institute

2008

International Journal of Fashion Design, Technology and Education

The Institute co-badges this prestigious journal

2012

Approved Courses

The approved course status is launched

2016

The Textile Institute Book Series

Launch of publications on key and emerging topics in technical textiles, materials, and related sciences

2016

Approved Courses with Credit

The approved course status is extended to include credit towards Textile Institute professional qualifications

2025

Celebration of the Centenary of the Royal Charter

2023

Journal of The Textile Institute Centenary Publication

Special edition celebrating 100 years of publishing influential research in textiles, clothing and footwear – Volume 114, Issue 6

2016

The Textile Institute Professional Publications

Books on key and emerging topics on textiles, clothing and footwear technology, textile and materials science, and engineering

About The Textile Institute

Our ambition is to be the leading international network for textile, clothing, footwear and associated industries.

The Textile Institute was granted a Royal Charter in 1925 which underpins its global vision and is central to its strategy and mission. The Institute's purpose has remained unchanged throughout its history.

- to advance the general interests of the Textile Industry more particularly in relation to the acquisition and application thereto of scientific knowledge.
- to promote the profession and practice of Textile Technology, which for the purpose of this Our Charter, any Supplemental Charter and the Byelaws of the Institute shall mean the arts/design, sciences and technologies relating to fibres, to all products made from fibres, yarns, fabrics or other textile materials - including congenerous products made from fibrous materials - howsoever processed or produced and including the relevant fibrous materials themselves.

Our vision is to be the foremost international organisation for textile, clothing and footwear professionals, advancing professional practice through networking, education, awards and publications, thus empowering current and future generations.

Our mission remains to promote professionalism in all areas associated with the textile industries worldwide.

Our core values are to be:

- Respectful and Fair
- Transparent and Accountable
- Inclusive and Ethical
- Ambitious and Impactful

Key Achievements in 2025

The 2023 impact factor for the Journal of The Textile Institute (JoTI) remains high to comparator journals at 1.5 (latest available data)

JoTI maintains its listing in the top set of materials science journals worldwide

The 2023 impact factor for Textile Progress is 2.1 which is the second year above 2 (latest available data)

9 new FTIs awarded

10 new ATIs awarded

3 new LTIs awarded

Improved Register of Consultants page

The TI welcomed new Corporate Members

Sections continued to hold webinars and face-to-face meetings

SIGs continued to hold round table events and industry forums

Benevolent Committee helped members facing financial hardship

More members accessing and engaging with the website

Introduction to Textiles Short Course continued to attract record numbers

Parliamentary Lunch invited guests from all over the world

TIHQ takes a stand at Techtextil, Frankfurt, Germany

Presenters Directory continues to grow

TIHQ secures Aquitex as the hosts for The Textile Institute World Conference 2025

The Textile Institute relaunched the Fabric Knowledge Course



The Role of Royal Charters in Shaping Global Organisations

The Institute celebrates the centenary of the Royal Charter, following the Institute's Centenary in 2010 and the Journal of the Textile Institute's Centenary in 2023. This milestone prompts us to examine why the Royal Charter is crucial to its members and the organisation, its meaning, and its relevance today on the global stage.

The Royal Charter not only provides a formal structure and recognition but also empowers the Institute to uphold professional standards, foster innovation, and promote global collaboration. Its enduring legacy continues to shape the Institute's mission and influence within the textile industry worldwide. The Textile Institute has a strong heritage with The Royal Charter as the cornerstone as a vital part of what we do today, underpinning our mission and guiding our progress. Granted in 1925, the Royal Charter of The Textile Institute legally established it as a corporate entity, providing formal structure and recognition under English law. The Charter defines the Institute's governance, detailing the composition and election processes of its Council, ensuring democratic operation and effective representation of its global membership.

The Royal Charter governs The Textile Institute's provision of a global network for members, facilitating professional connections, knowledge sharing, and collaboration opportunities. The Institute's democratic structure ensures that members have a voice in its development and activities, reflecting their interests and needs. It enshrines the Institute's mission to advance the textile industry worldwide, promoting professionalism and the exchange of ideas for the benefit of its members and society. To bestow professional qualifications is a key aspect of its Royal Charter. This authority allows the Institute to formally recognise the expertise and professional competence of individuals within the textile industry.

In 2024, The Textile Institute conducted a comprehensive review of its strategy, ensuring its ongoing relevance in today's dynamic and challenging industry. As part of its continued commitment to excellence, the Institute remains steadfast in its alignment with the principles outlined in its Royal Charter, focusing on the advancement of textile science, art, education, and industry practices. In a world shaped by global uncertainties ranging from economic instability to the lingering effects of the Covid-19 pandemic the Institute recognises the need to adapt while staying true to its founding mission by responding to global and economic pressures, expanding and strengthening income streams with diversification and new revenue models. The Textile Institute's strategic vision ensures its work remains at the forefront of the textile industry. By embracing modern challenges and focusing on growth and innovation, the Institute will continue to drive industry progress, education, and collaboration worldwide. This commitment contributes to the development of the textile sector in line with its longstanding mission. Through diversification and resilience, The Textile Institute is positioning itself for a bright future, dedicated to meeting the needs of its members and the global textile community.

The purpose of The Textile Institute's strategy is to provide a robust framework that supports and upholds the principles of its Royal Charter, ensuring the organisation's financial sustainability and future resilience well into the 21st century and beyond. The strategy aims to strengthen the Institute's global standing, building upon its rich heritage and international reputation across its four core areas of business: education, awards, events, and publications. By doing so, the Institute seeks to ensure its recognition as a world-leading entity, continuously enriched and informed by the evolving needs of the textile sector and strengthened through global networks and partnerships.

As we look ahead to the next 100 years, the challenges and opportunities facing the textile industry will be shaped by new technologies, sustainable solutions, and a rapidly evolving global landscape. By working together, we will ensure that The Textile Institute remains at the forefront of progress, championing excellence and leading the way for generations to come. Together, we will lead, innovate, and inspire ensuring that The Textile Institute remains at the forefront of the industry for generations to come.





Dr Barbara Waters
CText FTI
Chair of the Membership Committee

Message from the Chair of Membership

The Membership Committee fosters membership growth, oversees income and expenditure related to membership activities, ensures value-for-money membership benefits, and receives reports from Sections and Special Interest Groups worldwide.

In 2024, the committee implemented several key initiatives to strengthen membership engagement. A structured programme of social media posts was introduced to better promote each membership category. A comprehensive, costed list of benefits for both Individual and Corporate Members was compiled, demonstrating the value of membership. For example, Premier Corporate members can access benefits worth up to GBP £12,150 annually, while Individual Members receive benefits worth up to GBP £2,141.

The committee proposed extending the bands for the Earnings-Related Discount (ERD) membership rates, making membership more affordable for professionals in low-income countries and, in addition, the Section Handbook was reviewed and updated to support Section Committees more effectively. Looking ahead, the committee aims to further expand member engagement by launching a student-led Special Interest Group, fostering the next generation of textile professionals and encouraging early-career participation in the Institute's activities.

The Membership Committee remains committed to ensuring Textile Institute membership continues to offer significant value while supporting professional development across the textile industry.

Message from the Chair of Events



Ian Smith
CText FTI
Chair of the Events Committee

My tenure as Chair of the Events Committee began in March 2024. I extend my gratitude to my predecessor, Dr Xiaogang Chen CText FTI, for his decade of leadership. We thank those who stepped down in 2024 and welcome our new members.

The events programme is a key part of TI's annual activities, and I am pleased to report we exceeded our 2024 budget. The Textile Institute Short Courses were well attended, with all 2024 courses selling out. The 2025 courses will again be held at the Midland Hotel, with the March course sold out and September bookings nearing capacity. The Parliamentary Lunch remains essential to the TI calendar, with increased attendance in 2024 due to extended promotion. We appreciate The Lord Haskel's support as generous host for this event.

In 2025, the 93rd TI World Conference will take place in Porto, Portugal, from October 7-10, in association with Aquitex – our first partnership with an industrial partner. The conference, titled "Fibre to Future: Transforming Fashion and Textiles through Sustainability and Digitalisation," is generating strong interest. We expect 2025 to be a positive year for TI and its events and look forward to seeing TI Members in Porto.

Message from the Chair of Professional Qualifications

I am delighted to confirm that the number of individual Professional Qualifications awarded has been maintained during the last year. In 2024 9 members were awarded Fellowships, 10 were awarded Associateships and 3 were awarded Licentiatehips. We continue to promote the benefits of Professional Qualifications to individuals and employers in line with the strategy of the Institute.

There has been a decline in applications for Accreditation or Approval of courses since the Covid-19 pandemic. It would appear that institutions took the opportunity to review their portfolios of courses post Covid-19 and that, since then, they have been encountering significant resource challenges, which have impacted on submissions.

We are conducting an audit of currently accredited and approved courses to identify those courses eligible for re-accreditation and we continue to work with institutions and organisations to encourage them to apply for accreditation or approval of new courses.

The very welcome appointment of a new Senior Administrator to support the Professional Qualifications Committee will help to drive this forward by providing more support to the institutions and organisations, as well as Individual members, in the preparation of their applications and, therefore, we are optimistic that the number of submissions will increase.

Message from the Chair of Publications

The Publications Committee oversees and develops the Institute's portfolio of publications which includes journals, periodicals and books in print and in digital formats. The standard of our publications is excellent, and popularity is showing a considerable increase. As always, the major accent throughout 2024 was focussed on ensuring that the quality of the Institute's publications, that of its books, journals or the magazine, is maintained at a high level and that they are issued promptly.

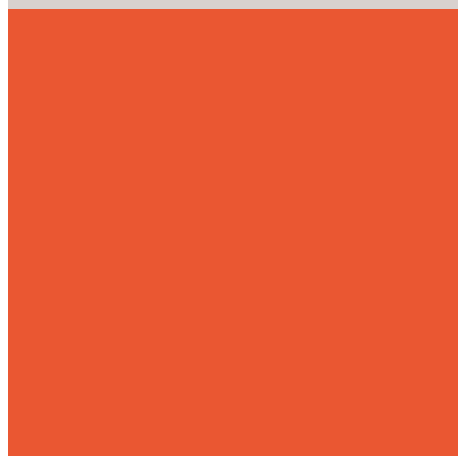
To determine whether what is put forward is up to standard, book and journal contributions are subjected to Peer Review. Judgements on the quality of journals can be summarised by measures such as Impact Factor or Citescore. Impact Factor details for 2024 are not yet available but those for 2023 had indicated slight reductions and the processing of papers had slowed, so our Editors are taking steps to re-establish improved trends.

The Textile Institute's publications are of worldwide interest, so 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 appoints editors from its membership for each of its publications.

The Institute also invites members, alongside others with authority in the textile field, to contribute as authors and reviewers on behalf of the Institute in support of these publication initiatives and to become parties to the benefits they offer for worldwide recognition.



Dr Simon Harlock
CText FTI
Chair of the Professional
Qualifications Committee



Prof Richard Murray
CText FTI
Chair of the Publications Committee



Prof David Tyler
CText FTI
Chair of the Medals and Awards
Committee

Message from the Chair of Medals and Awards

Following the resounding success of the TIWC 2023 Awards Ceremony I'm pleased to announce that The Textile Institute will once again be conferring a series of prestigious Medals and Awards in 2025. This continuation of tradition coincides with the centenary of the Institute's Royal Charter – a momentous occasion that underscores the enduring impact of the Institute on the global textiles, clothing, and footwear industries.

In 2023, the Awards Ceremony celebrated outstanding achievements across academia and industry, recognising individuals and organisations who have made significant contributions to innovation, sustainability, education, and leadership within the sector. Building on this legacy, the 2025 Medals and Awards will aim not only to honour excellence but also to reflect the evolving priorities and challenges of the industry, particularly around sustainability, digital transformation, and global collaboration.

The Medals and Awards 2025 will recognise a broad spectrum of contributions in categories such as:

- A demonstrable and measurable impact on sustainability policy and practice
- Outstanding support for students or early-career professionals, including enabling participation in international conferences
- Significant scientific or technical advancements in fibres and textile-related research
- Long-standing and distinguished service to the Institute, particularly through Section and Committee work

Nominees may come from across the global textile community, with submissions welcomed from both industry and academia, whether they are TI members or not. All nominations must be submitted via the official nomination form. These will be carefully reviewed by a panel comprising respected academics, practitioners, and industry leaders, with final decisions ratified by the Council of The Textile Institute.

This year's awards offer an opportunity to reflect on a century of chartered excellence while shining a spotlight on the innovators and changemakers who are shaping the next 100 years of textile science and industry.



Prof Richard Horrocks
CText FTI
Chair of the Benevolent Committee

Message from the Chair of the Benevolent Society

While the actual former Benevolent Society was subsumed within the Institute itself about 20 years ago, its budget remains independently identified within the overall TI budget and account balances and managed by the Benevolent Committee.

Funds are allocated according to the 2006 BenSoc Assistance Rules (criteria for assessment). Not surprisingly, the funds have diminished somewhat over the years but through its Chair and committee, moderate requests are most often able to be addressed.

The immediate aftermath of the COVID epidemic saw the committee addressing a fairly large number of applicants from members in distress who were in the main seeking assistance with annual fee payments during 2021 and 2022 especially. Assistance given was close to GBP £1,600, which enabled some members not only to retain their TI membership but also safeguarded their TI qualifications where relevant.

At the World Conference, the committee invites students who wish to attend to apply for modest levels of assistance. At the TIWC 2023 in Huddersfield, six students were supported, and we anticipate that there will be applications for TIWC 2025 in Portugal.

Events and Activities

This list highlights the events and activities that The Textile Institute has organised, participated in, or supported over the past year. It includes Institute led initiatives, Corporate Member events, collaborations with established partners, as well as activities from our global Sections and Special Interest Groups.

JANUARY - FEBRUARY

15 January 2024
NISTI – Leveraging Fabric Digitisation and 3D Material Creation Using AI for Business Growth, India

16 January 2024
E-Textiles Network
E-Textiles for Healthcare Workshop, UK

MARCH

13 March 2024
The London and SE England Section – Micro Factories and Supply on Demand: UK Manufacturing at its Best, UK

26-28 March 2024
The Textile Institute – Introduction to Textiles Short Course, UK

26 March 2024
Shirley Technology – Securing Compliance & Transparency: How OKEO-TEX Certification Services can Help you and your Supply Chain, UK

APRIL

23-26 April 2024
Techtextil, Germany

MAY

2 May 2024
University of Manchester Graduate Show, UK

8 May 2024
Shirley Technology – Securing Compliance & Transparency: How OKEO-TEX Certification Services can Help you and your Supply Chain, UK

21-23 May 2024
Intertext Portugal 2024, Portugal

22 May 2024
The Manchester and the North West Section – Textiles and Life, UK

JUNE

12 June 2024
Shirley Technology – Securing Compliance & Transparency: How OKEO-TEX Certification Services can Help you and your Supply Chain, UK

19 June 2024
The London & SE England Section Annual General Meeting, UK

22 June 2024
NISTI – Expert online talk by Mrs Chandrima Chatterjee, the Secretary General, Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI), India

27 June 2024
The Textile Institute Annual General Meeting, UK

JULY

6 July 2024
NISTI- Structural Changes of Global Apparel Brands: Understanding New Issues of Internal Competitiveness, India

20 July 2024
NISTI – Radiation Shielding Textiles- Dr A K Tyagi, CMD-TTW Health Managing Professionals LLP, India

AUGUST

1 August 2024
Shirley Technology – Securing Compliance & Transparency: How OKEO-TEX Certification Services can Help you and your Supply Chain, UK

SEPTEMBER

3-4 September 2024
University of Huddersfield - Future Fibres Network + Sandpit Meeting, UK

11 September 2024
E-Textiles Network – PPE and Workwear, UK

17-19 September
The Textile Institute – Introduction to Textiles Short Course, UK

18 September 2024
ASBCI - 'Chemical compliance and your company – ASBCI's essential know-how technical seminar, UK

18 September 2024
The University of Manchester Fashion + Retail Showcase, UK

27 September 2024
The Sri Lanka Section – The Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Textile Industry, Sri Lanka

OCTOBER

2 October 2024
Shirley Technology – Securing Compliance & Transparency: How OKEO-TEX Certification Services can Help you and your Supply Chain, UK

16 October 2024
ASBCI - 'ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN FASHION – the rewards, the risks, and the responsibilities – realising the opportunities and managing the threats of an ever-evolving AI reality', UK

17-19 October 2024
Intertext Tunisia, Tunisia

21 October 2024
The London and SE England Section 'Now' Solutions to reduce Microplastic Pollution from Synthetic Textiles, UK

26 October 2024
Textiles SIG – Fundamentals of ETP – ZLD (Zero Liquid Discharge) System, India

NOVEMBER

8 November 2024
The Textile Institute Parliamentary Lunch, UK

12 November 2024
The Textile Institute Technical Textiles SIG – Composites and Technical Textiles Networking Event, UK

20 November 2024
The London and SE England Section – Eco-Luxe & Savile Row, Breathing a new life into British Textiles upcycling natural wool textile waste, UK

19-21 November 2024
E-Textiles Network 2024 Conference, Germany

21 November 2024
The Textile Institute Fabric Knowledge Course, UK

DECEMBER

2 December 2024
The Textile Institute Tea with the TI – Academic Journal and Book Publishing: A Guide for Authors, Online

4 December 2024
The London and SE England Section Christmas Party, UK

11 December 2024
The Textile Institute Staff Christmas Party, UK

14 December 2024
NISTI- IIT Delhi Joint Conference on "Sustainability in Textiles and Clothing- Emerging trends in Fibers, Fabrics, Processes and Fashion", India

Corporate Membership

Corporate Members of The Textile Institute are afforded many diverse benefits as part of their membership making it useful to both Industrial & Academic organisations. Membership allows organisations to keep up to date with what is happening in the textile industry locally, nationally and globally – this includes opportunities for partners to form strategic alliances. Access to the TI's extensive global network means Members can benefit from a diverse range of professional expertise.

Premier Services (for Premier Corporate Members only)

- One free place at the annual Parliamentary Lunch
- One free day place on an Introduction to Textiles Short Course
- Upon joining, receive one half-page advert in TI News section of textiles membership magazine
- News update in textiles magazine three times per year
- Additional newsletters or organisational updates emailed to TI members and other databases
- Special recognition on the TI website homepage



We are happy to tailor the Premier Services package to suit individual requirements throughout the year.

Promotion

- Exclusive rights to use the TI Corporate Member logo on all Corporate ID
- Web listing - Logo, contact details, and web link displayed on the Institute website
- Introductory organisational profile in textiles magazine (250 words with 2 images including logo)
- Use TI social media to update TI followers to share organisation updates
- Use TI social media pages to share news and promote organisation
- Annual Certificate of Corporate Membership from the Institute



Events

- Access to TI and TI partner events for free or at a discounted rate
- Promotion of organisation events and conferences on the TI website, and other media
- Take the platform and present at industry events
- View events taking place globally on the TI Digital Calendar



Information Service

- Quick enquiries from the Information Department
- Advertise latest employment opportunities via the TI website



Publications

- textiles: three issues a year in both digital and hard copy format
- TI Annual Report – Digital format
- 12 issues of The Journal of the Textile Institute – digital and hard copy format
- 4 issues of Textile Progress – digital and hard copy format
- Access to Textile Terms and Definitions (TT&D)
- 20% discount on purchases through the online Book Shop



Community

- Network with members via the online membership directory
- Follow the TI's activities via social media
- Keep up to date with industry news
- Get involved in local Sections and Special Interest Groups to network with professionals and participate in activities and events
- Join TI committees and groups and have your say
- Complimentary membership for Students of University Corporate Members



PREMIER	STANDARD	AFFILIATE*
£1100	£770	£550

*Affiliate has two employees who are currently individual TI members

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Publications



The Journal of The Textile Institute

Published by Taylor & Francis on behalf of the Institute, the Journal of The Textile Institute (JTI) began to publish research papers in 1923 and since that time it has continued to lead the way. For its work devoted to publishing papers on the latest textile research and innovation, the journal continues to be amongst the top-ranked materials science journals in the world.



Textile Progress

Published by Taylor & Francis on behalf of The Textile Institute since 1969 as a critical research-review journal, Textile Progress provides a comprehensive analysis of the state of the art in research and 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 provides a high-quality, peer-reviewed forum for research in fashion design, pattern cutting, apparel production, manufacturing technology and fashion education.



textiles

International in both readership and outlook, textiles is the Institute's members' magazine, providing a broad industry perspective on the important issues facing the textile sector. The magazine covers all aspects of textiles with news and in-depth articles encompassing the complete supply chain, from fibre production through knitting, weaving and nonwoven fabric manufacture, to fashion, architecture, footwear, medical and automotive products, providing both business and R&D perspectives.

TT&D



Textile Terms and Definitions (TT&D), published by The Textile Institute since 1954, is the long-established, most authoritative and comprehensive English-language reference manual of textile terminology in existence. Regularly updated and freely available to all TI members online, TT&D enables the user to access the latest and most up-to-date definitions available for all aspects of textiles, clothing and footwear.



The Textile Institute Book Series

Published on behalf of The Textile Institute by Elsevier, the Textile Institute Book Series is a strongly research-based set of multi-author texts. Each chapter is contributed by experts on that particular aspect of the topic under the overall guidance of the editor for that volume.

Textile Institute Professional Publications

Published on behalf of The Textile Institute by CRC Press, the aim of the Textile Institute Professional Publications is to provide support to textile professionals in their work and to help emerging professionals to gain a sound understanding of key and emerging topics in textile, clothing and footwear technology, textile chemistry, materials science, and engineering. The books are written by experienced authors with expertise in the topic.



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.

The Licentiateship 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.

The Associateship 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.

The Fellowship 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 Licentiateship and Associateship level. Students graduating from these courses can apply for their professional qualification 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.

Approval

The TI approves a number of courses globally through its Approval scheme. Designed for in-house training, short courses, online 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.



Other services



Register of Consultants

The Register of Consultants page on the Textile Institute website is a great way for our members to promote their expertise. We regularly direct people who have enquiries about a broad range of textiles issues to the Register, which allows them to benefit from the knowledge of our members, while also helping members to network and build relationships.

Members can join the Register by logging into the website and visiting the Members Area, where they can submit a form containing their profile information and contact details.

Jobs page

Companies and individuals can advertise jobs on The Textile Institute website for a small fee with a discount available to members. As part of their package, Corporate Members can advertise vacancies throughout the year at no cost. Agencies can also contact the TI for advertising prices.

Competitions

The Textile Institute runs a number of competitions throughout the year and also supports Corporate Member, Partner, TI Section and Special Interest Group competitions and awards. We also use competitions to support students, graduates, entrepreneurs and newcomers to the industry, among others. We strive to recognise achievement and reward excellence, often publishing articles in textiles magazine to facilitate this highlight members' recent successes.

Medals and Awards

The Medals and Awards scheme is another way we recognise the achievement of individuals and organisations for their contributions to the industry or The TI itself.

The Textile Institute's Industry Awards recognise excellence across several key sectors, including sustainability, new materials, international research, innovation, and more. Nominations for these awards may be submitted by one member and one non-member.

Many individuals have made significant professional contributions that are not solely reflected in academic qualifications. The Institute also offers Member Awards, which celebrate achievements such as distinguished service on a Section Committee, outstanding contributions to the industry and the Institute as a whole, or excellence in technology-based education at all levels. Only members are eligible to nominate candidates for these awards.

Directory of Presenters

The Institute invites members from industry and academia to join the Directory of Presenters, a network of textile professionals eager to contribute to TI events worldwide. We particularly encourage industry members interested in engaging with students and peers to participate.

Affiliate Partner Service

The Affiliate Partner service supports organisations offering Accredited or Approved courses by The Textile Institute, delivered in person or online. Partners handle delegate registration, materials, and support, while the Institute promotes their courses via its website, emails, and social media. This service boosts the visibility of quality programmes and strengthens global ties within the textiles, clothing, and footwear sectors.



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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