



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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.

Charity Number 222478

Message from the

World President

This is my second annual report since being elected World President of The Textile Institute in May 2022.

This past year has indeed presented us with a mix of positive and challenging experiences, offering us valuable opportunities to test and refine our skills in navigating various situations. Through these experiences, we have gained resilience, adaptability, and a deeper understanding of our capabilities.

The escalation of conflicts on the international stage poses significant threats to human life, not only in Ukraine and the Middle East. These military actions lead to severe political and economic difficulties worldwide, which, in turn, create problems in regional markets.

The Textile Institute continuously supports its members in these difficult times and encourages them to actively participate in professional events with the aim of sharing knowledge, improving competences and strengthening cooperation.

The biggest TI event in 2023 was the 92nd Textile Institute World Conference, which was held at the University of Huddersfield the 3 to 6 July. The theme of TIWC was: Sustainability of the Textile and Fashion Supply Chain – Transitioning to Zero Carbon and Zero Waste. The conference gathered the representatives of Sections, Council members and delegates, textile experts, industry, and scientists from all over the world. The highlight of TIWC was a speech by HRH The Princess Royal.

In 2023, the Journal of The Textile Institute (JoTI) celebrated its 100th anniversary of publishing research papers. To commemorate this milestone, a special issue of the journal was published and gifted to delegates at the Textile Institute World Conference (TIWC) 2023 in Huddersfield. The Institute's regular activities, including publications such as The Journal of The Textile Institute (JoTI) and Textile Progress, books, professional qualifications and awards, information services, and the organisation of events and short courses for industry, provide valuable services not only to TI members but also to the broader industry.

The Textile Institute is developing a new strategy to define the future direction of its activities. This strategy aims to strengthen the international position of The Textile Institute and enhance its global influence on the exchange of innovative textile knowledge. It focuses on fostering cooperation and advancing sustainable practices within the textile-fashion sector and related industries.

The Textile Institute faced the passing of its Executive Director in early January 2024.

2023 was a year of many changes for The Textile Institute. The Institute welcomed Professor Jess Power CText FTI as the new TI Chair. Jess is a strong and charismatic leader who chairs all meetings substantively and is always well-prepared for her tasks. Her commitment to the matters of The Textile Institute is exemplary.

The Institute will continue to support its members regardless of their geographical location or the challenges they face. Our aim is to foster multidimensional cooperation and contribute to the development of the textile sector.

I would like to wish my textile friends and members of The Textile Institute courage to find solutions for all of your tasks, problems and challenges and collaborate in the condition of universal peace, acceptance, empathy, and friendship.



Prof Malgorzata Zimniewska
CText FTI
World President





Prof Jess Power
CText FTI
Chair of Council



Message from the

Chair of Council

I am absolutely delighted to present my first annual report since being elected Chair of The Textile Institute in July 2023 at the 92nd Textile Institute World Conference hosted by the University of Huddersfield. The World Conference was a remarkable event that brought together like-minded individuals to discuss, debate, and share knowledge regarding current and emerging sustainable practices throughout the fashion and textile global supply chain. I had the honour of co-presenting the Institute's Awards and Professional Qualifications with Prof Parik Goswami CText FTI (Conference Chair) and Prof Malgorzata Zimniewska CText FTI (Textile Institute World President) at the Ceremony and Gala dinner. At the event Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal highlighted the sustainable challenges within the global industry and urged collaboration between like-minded individuals. The conference was further enriched by keynotes from industry and academia, a captivating catwalk show, and a costume showcase from the students at the University of Huddersfield.

The theme of sustainability flowed into the Parliamentary lunch. It was truly wonderful to welcome friends and colleagues from around the globe to this prestigious gathering hosted by Lord Simon Haskel CompTI CText ATI. Karla Magruder of Accelerating Circularity shared her approaches to building circularity to ensure sustainable growth.

During my first term in office, the Honorary Officers and I have been working to develop a strategy that will see us through the next 5 years and beyond. This is an exciting opportunity to capitalise on our learning from the pandemic and build on the Institute's strengths. We have embarked on creating a set of global values and a vision statement that holds true to our mission, providing a framework to underpin our Royal Charter and to ensure financial sustainability to future-proof the organisation for the 21st century and beyond. This will enable us to serve our global community through our charitable status for the advancement of textile, clothing, footwear, and associated industries worldwide.

Our nine Sections worldwide and five special interest groups continue to support our service to the global community through a wide range of activities. Recently we have recently introduced a "Section showcase" to the Institutes Council meetings. We have been inspired by the Australian Section in October 2023 and the Sri Lanka section in January 2024. It was a real pleasure for the Section Chairs to share activities, events, and local discussions framed in an international context for Council members.

The Honorary Officers have been working closely with the CEO to ensure our business operations and governance are streamlined. We are delighted to announce that we are extending our TIHQ family during the next year with administrative and marketing support.

Furthermore, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff who have worked tirelessly to support both myself, the Honorary Officers, and all TI members. The four core areas of business: publications, events, membership, and professional qualifications/awards continue to provide a steady income stream. Publications remain the main contributor for the Institute, and we value our continued relationship with Taylor & Francis, Elsevier, and CRC Press. During the next year, we are keen to expand our international Corporate Memberships to draw in new expertise from around the globe and to build on the successful short course programs which has seen substantial commercial interest in recent years.

During 2023 The Textile Institute's Executive Director became seriously ill and passed away early in 2024.

After a period of much uncertainty and recognising the future challenge, I remain cautiously optimistic for the future. There is much to be proud of and I am certainly looking forward to 2025, which will be a special year to mark the centenary of our Royal Charter. On a final note, Thank you for your continued support and dedication to The Textile Institute. Together, we can continue to make a significant impact on the textile, clothing, footwear, and associated industries worldwide.

Honorary Treasurer's Report

This is my first Honorary Treasurer's report covering a year which has been a very difficult one globally for the industry that we serve. Worldwide demand for textile products collapsed in 2023 in the face of rising interest rates, energy costs, the war in the Ukraine, political instability, and a general loss of consumer confidence.

It was an especially difficult year for the Institute exacerbated by the fact that for a significant part of the year, one of our senior executives and income generators was seriously ill and passed away in January 2024. This placed enormous, additional pressures on our already understaffed team at TIIHQ but once again they have risen to the challenge, and we can look back on the year with a modicum of satisfaction.

Once again publications were our major income stream in the year with another slight growth in royalties compared with 2022.

It was a difficult year for membership income and unfortunately, we saw no growth in either Corporate or Individual Membership. Given the general financial malaise affecting our industry during the year I think we were very fortunate to maintain the level of our Corporate Membership. Sadly, Individual Membership dropped marginally (4.4%) during the year, but this was not totally unexpected as some of the countries where our Individual Membership is strong were heavily impacted by very restrictive foreign exchange rules imposed by their governments. Collection of fees, both Corporate and Individual, was a major challenge in the year but I am happy to report that a major push in the final quarter has significantly reduced our overdue members list and had a beneficial impact on cash flow at a usually difficult time of year.

Without a bespoke course this year, overall short course income dropped by 13.6%, and income from the Parliamentary lunch was negatively impacted by external factors beyond the TIIHQ team's control, leading to a later than normal start to publicity. In both cases, I think the fall can be partially explained by the difficult financial climate and an industry focusing on cost control. In June, in collaboration with the University of Huddersfield, we hosted a successful Textile Institute World Conference which financially had a very positive impact on both income and cash flow for a relatively modest expenditure.

Although significantly below budget for the year, Professional Qualifications income almost doubled compared to 2022, despite the prolonged absence and illness of our TIIHQ member primarily responsible for generating income in this segment.

On the cost side of the equation, our team in Manchester are to be congratulated as once again they demonstrated their skills in cost containment and balancing expenditures against income to maintain a relatively healthy cash flow.

We have set some very ambitious financial targets for 2024, based around recruiting additional staff members at TIIHQ. This should improve the marketing of all our services and give our Chief Executive and her team the administrative support that will allow them collectively to increase both Corporate and Individual Membership, a major focus for 2024.

We have also begun implementing a culture change, and management information and control systems, which can form the foundations on which we believe a re-generation of the Institute can be built.



Roger Gilmartin
CText FTI
Honorary Treasurer



Events and Activities

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| JANUARY 18 January 2023 The London and SE England Section Live Presentation – Fashion Loves Flax Linen with Victoria Stapleton, Brora, UK | MARCH 8 March 2023 The London and SE England Section – Zandra Rhodes – My Life in Fashion, UK 21-23 March 2023 The Textile Institute – Introduction to Textiles Short Course, UK | JULY 3 July 2023 The Textile Institute Annual General Meeting, UK 3-6 July 2023 The Textile Institute World Conference, UK 6-8 July 2023 New Designers 2023, UK 12 July 2023 The London and SE England Section Annual General Meeting, UK 22 July 2023 North Indian Section – Sustainability Trends in Textile Machinery: Impressions from ITMA 2023, India | NOVEMBER 3 November 2023 The Textile Institute Parliamentary Lunch, UK 6 November 2023 The Textiles SIG Webinar – Leveraging Fabrics, Digitalisation and 3D Material Creation to Drive Business Growth, India 14-16 November 2023 E-Textiles Network – E-Textiles 2023, Belgium 15 November 2023 The London and SE England Section – Highlights from The Textile Institute World Conference, UK 29 November 2023 Nottingham Trent University – Town Hall Meeting Invitation – Collaborative Opportunity for the East Midlands Net Zero Textile Hub, UK |
| FEBRUARY 2 February 2023 The Technical Textiles SIG – Recycling and Reuse in the Technical Textile Sector, UK 14-15 February 2023 National Textile University – International Conference on Knowledge based Textiles 2023, Pakistan 20 February 2023 E-Textiles Network Webinar – Designing Wearable Smart Garments for Sustainable Production, UK 28 February - 2 March 2023 University of the West of England, Centre for Print Research – Future Textiles Conference 2023, UK | APRIL 4 April 2023 BTMA AGM 2023, UK MAY 12 May 2023 University of Manchester – Fashion, Business Technology Showcase 2023, UK JUNE 8-14 June 2023 ITMA, Italy 22 June 2023 Fashanne, UK 23 June 2023 University of Northampton – Degree Show 2023, UK 28 June 2023 6 Yards on Her Own Terms Exhibition, Sri Lanka 28 June-1 July 2023 New Designers 2023, UK | SEPTEMBER 6-8 September 2023 The Textile Institute Introduction to Textiles Short Course, UK 28 September 2023 The London and SE England Section – The Mills Fabrica Networking Breakfast: Viscose – at what price?, UK OCTOBER 18 October 2023 The London and SE England Section – Canopy Webinar, UK 19-21 October Intertext Tunisia, Africa | DECEMBER 1 December 2023 BTMA Christmas Party 2023, UK 6 December 2023 The London and SE England Section – Christmas Party 2023, UK 12 December 2023 The Manchester and the North West Section Christmas Party 2023, UK 13 December 2023 The Textile Institute Christmas Party 2023, UK |

Key Achievements

JoTI maintains its listing in the top 10 materials science journals worldwide

JoTI impact factor increased to 1.88

TP Impact factor to 3

7 courses reaccredited to ATI

2 newly approved courses with credit

1 newly approved course

15 new FTIs awarded

12 new ATIs awarded

1 new LTI awarded

The 92nd Textile Institute World Conference TIWC 2023

4 New Corporate Members

TIHQ takes a stand at ITMA 2023

Presenters Directory continues to grow

Bespoke textile short courses for industry

Parliamentary Lunch welcomes guests from around the world

Sections hold webinars and face to face meetings

SIGs held round table events and industry forums

Short courses continue to attract record numbers

Benevolent Committee helped members facing financial hardship

Bursaries for Students attending TIWC

More members accessing and engaging with the website

Corporate Membership

Premier Corporate Members have access to many more benefits including a place at the Parliamentary Lunch in November, an advert in textiles the membership magazine 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
Centre For Print Research - University of the West of England
DBL Group
Leeds Arts University
Manchester Metropolitan University
Natic AG
Premier Textiles Ltd
Saurer Fibrevision

Shirley Technologies Limited
University of Huddersfield
University of Management and Technology
University of Manchester
University of Zagreb
VeriVide Limited
Wuhan Textile University



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
Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology
Aquitex SA
Arts Thread
ASBCI
Baltex
BGMEA University Fashion & Technology
Bradford Textile Society
British Textile Machinery Association
China Textile Engineering Society
China Women's University
Design and Technology Association
De Montfort University
Edana
E-Textiles Network
Gdynia Cotton Association
Gherzi Consulting Engineers Pvt Ltd
Hong Kong Chamber of Textiles
Indian Technical Textile Association
International Textiles Flooring Academy
Kingston University
KOTITI
London College of Fashion

Martin-Baker Aircraft Company Ltd
National Textile University
North Carolina State University
Northern India Textile Research Association
Nottingham Trent University
Pentland Group Plc
Recyclatex
Reliance Industries Limited
Ruddington Framework Knitters Museum
Smart Textile Alliance
South India Textile Research Association
Staffordshire University
Taiwan Textile Research Institute
Telestia Malaysia - Clotech Atelier Academy
Textiles Scotland
The Technological Institute of Textiles and Sciences
UKFT Association
Universiti Teknologi Mara
University of Huddersfield
University of Leeds
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 Services

One complimentary place at the annual Parliamentary Lunch
On joining half page in TI News section of textiles the membership magazine
News updates in textiles
One complimentary newsletter a year emailed to TI members and other databases
One complimentary day place on the Introduction to Textiles Short Course
Special recognition on the TI website homepage

***See website for benefits of Standard and Affiliate members**

Promote, Network and Events

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
Organisation profile in textiles that is distributed to a 2500 plus readership
Promotion of organisation events and conferences on the TI website and social media
All staff to attend TI events for free or with a substantial discount
Use TI social media pages to share news and promote organisation
Annual Certificate of Corporate Membership
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

Information Service

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

Publications

textiles : Digital and hard copy format
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)

| PREMIER | STANDARD | AFFILIATE* |
|---------|----------|------------|
| £1100 | £770 | £550 |

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

Publications

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 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, 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, 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. Free to use by TI Members, subscription packages are also available at www.ttandd.org

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.



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.

Licentiatehip 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.

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.

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 Licentiatehip and Associateship level. Students graduating from these courses are able to 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, 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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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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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 and relevant working groups.



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