

INCOSE UK and the IET announce partnership agreement

We are pleased to announce that the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) and INCOSE UK have recently signed an agreement which enables systems engineers to apply for professional registration without having to leave INCOSE UK to become Chartered Engineers (CEng) registered through the Engineering Council. The scheme also supports registration as an Incorporated Engineer (IEng) (as well as EngTech and ICTTech).

The formal signing of the agreement by Prof Michael Wilkinson, President of INCOSE UK and Nigel Fine, Chief Executive of the IET took place on 3 October 2011 at the IET in Savoy Place, central London.

Prof Michael Wilkinson said “The INCOSE UK Council is pleased to announce this partnership agreement with the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET). Over a number of years members have expressed their wish to achieve Professional Registration through INCOSE UK and now the processes are in place for this to happen.”

Mr Ian Presland Professional Development Director for INCOSE UK commented “INCOSE is the natural home for professionals who have an interest in Systems Engineering, or who regard themselves as Systems Engineers or Systems Thinkers. This agreement provides a new cost-effective route for INCOSE members to become formally recognized as Chartered Engineers (CEng) registered through the Engineering Council and gives access to a range of other career development benefits in collaboration with the IET. I would like to thank the team at the IET for working so closely with us to enable this agreement to happen.”

Michelle Richmond, IET Director of Membership and Professional Development, said: “The IET is very pleased to be enabling INCOSE members to achieve professional registration recognition and looks forward to establishing further close working opportunities to support the growth of professionalism in this subject area.”

Richard Shearman, Deputy CEO at the Engineering Council, said “We congratulate IET and INCOSE on this agreement, which is an excellent example of collaboration and provides INCOSE members with a straightforward pathway to professional registration.”

Both organisations view the signing of this agreement as the start of productive partnership with more benefits for all our members in the coming years.

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Note to Editors:

The IET

The IET is one of the world's leading professional societies for the engineering and technology community, with more than 150,000 members in 127 countries and offices in Europe, North America and Asia-Pacific. The IET provides a global knowledge network to facilitate the exchange of ideas and promote the positive role of science, engineering and technology in the world. For more information, visit www.theiet.org.

The Engineering Council

The Engineering Council is the UK regulatory body for the engineering profession. They hold the national registers of 235,000 Engineering Technicians (EngTech), Information and Communications Technology Technicians (ICTTech), Incorporated Engineers (IEng) and Chartered Engineers (CEng). For more information, visit <http://www.engc.org.uk/>.

INCOSE UK

With around 700 individual and 28 corporate members, INCOSE UK is the second largest chapter in the world. Although it plays a prominent role on the international scene, it exists primarily to serve the special needs of UK members. Like INCOSE international, it holds one or two conferences each year, has active regional, working and special interest groups and publishes a variety of guides and other products tailored for UK members. Despite its focus on UK-specific needs, the UK Chapter attracts members from territories around the globe.

The 'flavour' of systems engineering most prevalent in the UK has developed into an open and inclusive practice that facilitates the application of systems thinking and systems engineering principles in domains outside of the traditional domains of defence and aerospace. In recent years the membership of INCOSE UK has widened significantly from its roots, expanding to include domains such as transportation - particularly rail - energy, civil engineering, space, medicine, and security. For more information, visit www.incoseonline.org.uk.

INCOSE

The International Council of Systems Engineering (INCOSE) is a not-for-profit membership organisation founded to develop and disseminate the interdisciplinary principles and practices that enable the realisation of successful systems. INCOSE has grown significantly since its formation in 1990. For more information, visit www.incose.org.