

# IoN becomes a Professional Affiliate of the Engineering Council

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The Institute of Nanotechnology (IoN) is pleased to announce that it has gained Professional Affiliate status of the Engineering Council UK. This affiliation underscores the high importance IoN places on supporting the professional development of its members. On this success the Coordinator of the Education Sub-group at IoN, Kshitij Aditeya Singh, commented “The Institute’s success at becoming a Professional Affiliate of the Engineering Council is a recognition and reflection of its continuing endeavour in the field of education and professional development. The commitment to professional development, sharing best practices, implementing statutory guidelines and networking with learned organisations will bring tremendous long term benefit for members of the Institute.”

Membership of the Engineering Council will allow IoN to work closely with other Institutes licensed under EC, such as the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET), with which IoN already has a memorandum of understanding to run a joint micro and nanotechnology network.

IoN’s CEO, Dr Mark Morrison expanded on this further, “Membership of the Engineering Council further strengthens IoN’s position in the support of higher, further and continuing education. IoN already works closely with a number of academic institutes to develop and share best practices for Masters courses in nanotechnology, and provision of training courses in sectors such as nanomedicine that are developing at a rapid pace. Through this affiliation we aim to work more closely with other learned and professional societies, contribute to the registration of new engineers and technologists (and their continued professional development) and in the future look to accredit courses in nanotechnology.”

## **About the IoN**

Established in 1997, the Institute of Nanotechnology (IoN) is a membership organisation that works closely with government, industry, and academia to support the responsible development of nanotechnology for the benefit of wider society.

Further information on IoN membership, events, initiatives, and the projects we are delivering can be found at [www.nano.org.uk](http://www.nano.org.uk) or by contacting our head office on +44 (0)1786 458020 or Glasgow office on +44 (0)141 3038444.

The IoN is a registered Scottish Charity, No. SC025709.



## **About Engineering Council**

The Engineering Council is the regulatory body for the engineering profession in the UK. It holds the national registers of 235,000 Chartered Engineers (CEng), Incorporated Engineers (IEng), Engineering Technicians (EngTech) and Information and Communications Technology Technicians (ICTTech).

In addition, the Engineering Council sets and maintains the internationally recognised standards of professional competence and ethics that govern the award and retention of these titles. This ensures that employers, government and wider society - both in the UK and overseas - can have confidence in the knowledge, experience and commitment of registrants.