



The Institute of Textile Science

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Our Institute – strengthening our network

In the past eight months as president, I have undertaken one very important action to fine-tune the mission and the vision of our Institute to the new reality of technology and science in the industry in which we work.

Since our industry is changing rapidly to find its proper place in the new world economy, we must find ways for our Institute to adjust to these changes. Thus a special Committee on By-laws was formed by our Board of Directors. The Committee proposed a new mission and a new vision of our Institute, which has already been approved by our Board. Today, hopefully, it will be approved by our Annual General Meeting. This Committee also works on modifications of the By-Laws, which have not been revised since the Institute's foundation.

I would like to see the Institute of Textile Science as a technical and scientific institute where networking together, helping each other and developing our businesses, our knowledge, and most of all ourselves are key!

The Institute should be the principal resource for you to meet innovative thinking personalities. First of all, we should strengthen relationships between our existing members. Secondly, we should encourage the young generation to become involved in the Institute's activities. Thirdly, we should bring to the table of our meetings the Institute's members from western and central Canada. We need to find a way to assure their participation in the Institute. Finally, because the industries we are involved are so vast, the membership of the institute must be more open to all individuals involved in the science of new technologies and new materials based on textiles. During my short tenure, I made efforts in these directions.

The Institute exists for you and because of you. Your membership and your involvement is the foundation of the Institute existence, and I am here to serve you to develop our vision of this organization.

The most crucial challenge for the Institute from now is to work to ensure renewal and continuity.

Let's work together and make the Institute Our Institute.

Dr Jacek Mlynarek
President