

The Institute of Science & Technology is the professional body for specialist, technical and managerial staff and, for more than 65 years, has been supporting people with the technical skills that the world's economy needs. The membership includes all kinds of technicians, experts and managers wherever they work, from science labs and engineering facilities to recording studios and IT departments.

The IST is always looking to the future. Its mission is to ensure that industry, business, research, schools, colleges and universities have the staff they need to keep up with constant advances in science and technology. The IST encourages its members to pursue training and qualifications, tailored to their needs, so that they can expand their skills and respond to an ever-changing workplace. This, in turn, means better job prospects for members and gives employers the professional, 21st century technicians they need to progress in today's economy.

Professional standing for members has long been a key goal and the IST is delighted to be able to award members official accreditation as a Chartered Scientist (CSci), Registered Scientist (RSci) or Registered Science Technician (RSciTech), under licence from the Science Council. These professional registration levels are recognised nationally and internationally. Technicians working in non-science fields, meanwhile, can join the IST's Registered Practitioner Scheme to gain MIScT(Reg) or FIScT(Reg) status.

By gaining profession accreditation, IST members can individually demonstrate that they are committed to continued professional development and that they are making a vital contribution in their fields.

Association with a professional body at employer level can provide benefits to both employers and employees. The IST's Corporate Affiliation scheme offers a framework via which employers can establish a formal association with the IST, this can be taken up by organisations or discrete parts of an organisation, e.g. departments, divisions, faculties. Affiliated Corporations/Organisations are expected to be supportive of the IST's aims, objectives and activities and committed to the continuing professional development and professionalisation of their employees.

The benefits and services that the IST can provide to Affiliated Corporations/Organisations include:

1. A one-day site visit* by at least one of the IST Officers or ambassadors.
This will be arranged so that the expertise of the IST representative matches the requirements of the Corporation. This visit can be used, for example, for Professional Registration advice and guidance, training event, marketing advice.
2. IST validation/endorsement for in-house training programmes with annual review
3. Support for in-house events where appropriate (details to be agreed)*
4. Support for professional registration activities (details to be agreed)*
5. A copy of the IST Journal at each publication
6. Discount on advertising rates for the Journal
7. Discount on fees for all employees who attend IST training events, workshops and conferences*
8. A framed Certificate of Affiliation

* travel costs to be covered by Affiliated Corporation/Organisation

The annual fee is £500. Corporate Affiliation is renewable on an annual basis and a Certificate of Affiliation is issued each year.

For more information or to discuss potential collaboration, contact office@istonline.org.uk



Name of organisation			
Address			
Postcode			
Tel No.		Website	
Type/purpose of business			

Name of department/unit seeking affiliation			
Number of science/technical-based employees (approx.)			
Contact Name			
Position			
Address for correspondence			
Email address			
Direct Tel No.		Mobile No.	

Purchase order no.			
Preferred method of payment	Cheque / BACS / credit/debit card / other		

Name of organisation / department to appear on Corporate Affiliation Certificate			
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Signature		Date	
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