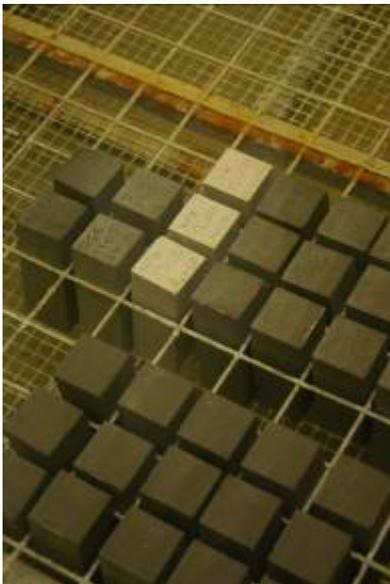




The Institute of Concrete Technology  
*The professional body for concrete technologists*

# What could the ICT offer you?



Learning

Qualifications

Recognition of status

Professional Development

Networking

Career progression

Achievement



Working in partnership



## What does the ICT do?

Founded in 1972, the Institute's mission is “to preserve and promote concrete technology as a recognized engineering discipline and consolidate the professional status of practicing concrete technologists worldwide.”

The Institute has collaborated with The Concrete Society since 2007, while maintaining its distinct identity and role.

It fulfils a range of functions to enhance the professional status and prospects of its members.

### **Qualifications in Concrete**

*Provides a unique framework to qualify in concrete technology:*

- Sets the syllabus for qualifications
- Guides on appropriate course providers
- Helps with mentors and sponsors
- Holds and marks examinations
- Awards qualifications and designatory letters

### **Development of Knowledge**

*Provides the tools for CPD:*

- Organises an annual convention and other technical meetings throughout the year, often with world-class experts in their field
- Publishes technical notes, articles and conference papers in a *Yearbook* and on the website
- Generates an archive of original research (ACT, available in the Concrete Society's library)

### **Networking with Counterparts**

*Provides an informal support network:*

- Facilitates communication between members through events, the website and newsletters

### **Access to Information**

*Provides free or discounted access to Concrete Society services for study, research or up-dating, including:*

- *Concrete Engineering International* (online archive)
- Library services (discounted) such as literature searching and document supply
- Diary of technical meetings

### **Recruitment Opportunities**

- Forum for CVs online
- Circulation of advertisements for job vacancies to members

# The benefits of membership

## *What do we offer you?*

There is a collective benefit derived from concrete technologists combining in the name of the Institute, but each member stands to gain personally too:

*A leg-up when you start out in your career*

*An opportunity to put something back in when you are established*

### **Opportunity**

a unique course of study to a level not available anywhere else

### **Qualification**

a demonstration of competence leading to career openings and career advancement

### **Recognition**

designatory letters confer status in the workplace consistent with expertise

### **Confidence**

to hold your own in your dealings with professional counterparts

### **Development**

CPD through attendance at technical meetings and maintenance of CPD records

### **Contacts**

informal support network around the world for news, leads and problem-solving

### **Identity**

a sense of belonging to and participating in a distinct profession

### **Colleagues**

fosters 'professional friendships'

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### **... and for employers:**

#### **Recruitment**

A benchmark when recruiting staff, a place to advertise and an identifiable pool of candidates. *Some companies specify ICT membership / qualifications when advertising for staff.*

#### **Staff Development**

Maintenance and retention of competent and motivated staff, through recognition of achievement and providing a graded structure by which to advance. 'Investing in people' helps develop in-house expertise and company competitiveness. *Some companies make promotion conditional on ICT qualification.*

#### **Commercial Opportunities**

Commercial opportunities arise informally as well as through support of events (speaking, exhibiting or sponsoring) and advertising in the Yearbook or other publications. *Some companies return year after year to exhibit at meetings, attracted by the quality of the personal contacts made.*

# Who should join?

Anyone involved in the specification, supply or construction of concrete or its constituent materials or ancillaries, who wishes to attain a qualification in the subject of concrete technology and receive recognition and reward for their expertise. Membership is available at appropriate grades to suit successive stages on your career path.

## **Lab technicians/Production staff/Commercial reps /Engineers /Technical managers**

Members are drawn from around the world: Australia, Hong Kong, Ireland, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, UAE, UK and other countries. A full and up-to-date list of current members is maintained on the Website.

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# How to join?

You will need to demonstrate appropriate qualification or experience through completion of application form – downloadable from the website – with the support of sponsors.

## **How do I progress through the grades?**

A detailed guide, *Routes to Membership*, is downloadable from the website.

## **How do I get involved?**

Your experience of the Institute can range from the purely passive, to the involved and active, dependent on your circumstances and inclination:

- Use of designatory letters and receipt of *Yearbook*, newsletters and other communication
  - Informal networking on occasion
  - Attendance at Convention and technical meetings
  - Study and/or research for qualifications
  - Active roles on Council and committees (in person or by correspondence)
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