



**We are the ASBCI.** The Association of Suppliers to the British Clothing Industry brings together businesses from across the fashion and textile supply chain, with a membership that spans every sector from fibres and fabrics to retailing and aftercare.

**We share knowledge.** We promote the exchange of knowledge via conferences and seminars, technical visits, specialist publications, and networking opportunities. The ASBCI is concerned with new technology and new ideas, and has an effective representation of members' interests on the UK, European, and International standards committees.

**We promote best practice.** The ASBCI is a centre of technical and commercial excellence, where companies at the forefront of their sectors can discuss, share, and develop best practices, processes, and initiatives to benefit their organisations and the UK clothing supply chain as a whole, from environmental and ethical best practice to textile testing, digital transformation.

**We support the future.** The ASBCI has many academic and student members and supports the next generation of UK fashion and textiles talent through the work of our student membership committee. This includes fostering close links between students and industry and providing networking opportunities for students to make contacts and increase their job opportunities.

# Conferences.



The ASBCI strives to give members the knowledge and expertise they need to meet the evolving challenges of today's fashion and textiles industry. The full-day annual conference has addressed topics such as:

- Sustainability
- UK manufacturing
- Brexit
- Size and fit
- The digital revolution

Members identify key issues, and the Association uses its vast network of contacts to address these. The ASBCI's success is built on the professional input of members, both in identifying the topics of importance to the industry and in supplying the expert speakers to share their knowledge.

Our student members benefit from discounted attendance at our conferences, but places are limited, so book early.



# Technical visits.

The wealth of technical expertise in the ASBCI's diverse membership is one of our greatest strengths, as is our members' willingness to share knowledge, work together to identify technical issues, and pool their resources to resolve these.

Member universities can request technical visits for students. Past technical visits organised for our student members include:

- Savile Row tailors
- Very Group HQ and distribution centre
- John Smedley
- Advanced Supply Chain Group

ASBCI members also offer a broad range of free technical webinars for other members and students, as well as sharing their learning through our publications, ensuring that technical excellence through knowledge sharing could continue through the pandemic.

# Technical books.

ASBCI members collaborate to produce technical handbooks. Written without commercial preference, many are recommended texts in trade and academic organisations worldwide.



Available in print and ebook editions, *Garment Costing - everything you need to know about the cost of making clothes* is the most recent in the ASBCI's catalogue of technical handbooks, which aim to provide clear, concise technical knowledge of the whole supply chain.

## Other titles in the series.

- Apparel Size and Fit
- Caring for Clothes (aftercare)
- Joining Forces (fastenings)
- Make or Break (needles, threads, stitches)
- Tried and Tested (textile testing)
- The Book of Interlinings
- Colour Clues
- Wrinkle Free (easy care)
- Introduction to Colour

Print copies available from [asbcioffice@asbc.co.uk](mailto:asbcioffice@asbc.co.uk)

# In Association.

In Association is the ASBCI's quarterly member magazine and a key pillar of our knowledge sharing strategy. Each issue is packed with invaluable articles from members on key topics.



# Yearbook.

The ASBCI Yearbook is our annual round up of the association's activities, featuring event reviews, committee reports, and expert contributions from our partner organisations. The front cover features the winning student design from our front cover competition which is only open to academic members.



# The next generation.

The ASBCI has long been one of the most active trade associations in the sector when it comes to connecting students with the fashion and textile industry, and our student offer is constantly evolving. Our key aim is to bridge the gap between academia and industry, providing support and opportunities to fashion and textile students to help them transition from education into the world of work. A combination of student forums, webinars, technical visits, and discounted attendance at ASBCI events provides an active and varied forum for students, educators, and industry to further their knowledge and network with each other.

## Recognising talent.

The ASBCI organises and supports a number of awards to celebrate the UK's student talent, including the ASBCI Student Innovation Award, and provides exposure for numerous other industry awards such as the Golden Shears and the Fashanne Awards. And each year we run a competition for students at member institutions to feature their designs on the front cover of our annual Yearbook.



# Membership.

There are two tiers of academic membership: standard and premier. ALL academic members benefit from:

- Membership of an industry-orientated centre of technical and commercial excellence
- Free industry technical visits
- Student forums on request
- Discounts on ASBCI technical books and events
- Discounted student membership of ASBCI (for standard member institutions; FREE for students at premier members)
- ASBCI e-publications direct to inbox
- Access to industry personnel and networking opportunities
- Prestigious annual awards
- Members-only access to the ASBCI website for conference proceedings, etc.
- Job placement and career opportunities via networking and membership connections

## Premier academic members.

In addition, premier academic membership allows all students on relevant courses at the member institution to become associate ASBCI student members for FREE. Premier membership also brings with it enhanced contact with the ASBCI, and the ability to use membership status in course marketing to demonstrate links with industry.

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**Premier members.**

Alvanon, ASOS.com, Boohoo Group PLC, Burberry, DeSL, George Clothing, Intertek, Lectra UK, Matalan, N Brown, Next, Nutmeg (part of the Morrisons family), Pentland Brands, Sainsburys, Source Fashion, The Very Group.

**Premier Academic Members.**

De Montfort University, London College of Fashion, Nottingham Trent University, University of Leeds, University of Manchester.

**Members.**

Advanced Supply Chain Group, J. Barbour and Sons, Birmingham City University, Bodi.Me Ltd, BTG, Bureau Veritas CPS UK, Byways Ltd, CapitiB Trust, Chadwick Lawrence LLP, Chargeurs \*PCC Fashion Technologies, City of Liverpool College, Colourmart Software Ltd, Cordings, Cussons & Associates, De Montfort University, D W Consultancy, Eurofins CPT, Fashanne (Anne Davies), Footwear Technical Services Ltd, Freudenberg Performance Materials LP, Geraldine Cosh Consulting Ltd, GreenEarth Cleaning, Gribbin Strategic LLC, Guild of Cleaners & Launderers, Hobbs, HSTTS (High Street Textile Testing Services), IMM Associates, Infor, Hobbs, Hohenstein, Hyosung, James Heal, JEP Consultancy, Judd Consultants, Kufner Holding GmbH, Linctex Technology Co Limited/Style 3D, Lipsy, London College of Fashion, Matalan, Mi Hub Ltd, Mindful Training, Northern Clothing and Textile Network, Optitex Ltd, Primark, Ray Watson Consultancy, Recomme, Recyclatex Group, Roaches International, SGS United Kingdom, Shirley Technologies, Sizemic, R H Smith and Sons (Smiffys), Society of Dyers & Colourists, Staffordshire University, Summit Media, [TC]2 Textile/Clothing Technology Corporation, Tesco Stores, TRS (Worldwide) Ltd, The LYCRA Company, The Textile Institute, THG Ingenuity, Trimco, TÜV Rheinland UK, TUV Sud, UK Fashion & Textiles Association, UK Retail Connect, UL Verification Services, Verivide, Vetigraph Fashion Digital Solutions Ltd, Whistles, Workwear Uniform Group