



**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.

**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.

## 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.

For 2021, the annual conference moved to a digital-only format, ensuring members did not miss out on this important event.

## Technical seminars.



Technical seminars deliver invaluable insight from industry experts in highly focused half-day events. They were introduced to the ASBCI's events schedule in 2018 and have covered topics such as:

- ZDHC and chemical management
- Colour management
- Risk assessments
- Garment costing

Organised by the ASBCI Technical Committee in collaboration with the Event Committee, the topics are nominated by members and often coincide with the development of technical handbooks.

The in-person events were replaced by remote webinars during the pandemic, including a free series of garment costing webinars and member events. Recordings of free ASBCI events are available to view on the [ASBCI's video channel](#).

## 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.

Many members over the years have opened their doors to other members for technical visits organised by the ASBCI. Past technical visit locations have included:

- John Smedley
- James Heal
- Fashion-Enter (pictured)
- Advanced Supply Chain Group

ASBCI members also offer a broad range of free technical webinars for other members, 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.

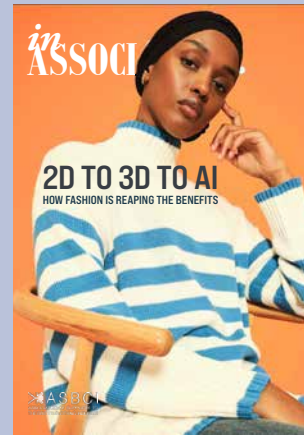
## Other titles in the series.

- 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.

Published annually, 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 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.

# Join the ASBCI.

## As a member you will:

- Be part of a dynamic community of members.
- Gain direct access to global technical and commercial experts.
- Take part in technical and commercial initiatives to benefit the UK industry.
- Build new business relationships and opportunities.
- Stay informed on international and UK developments and their impacts.
- Gain a greater understanding of the wider supply chain and the issues that may affect your business.

## Benefits of membership:

- Contacts details of members
- Networking opportunities
- Open forum to voice your opinion
- Free or discounted access to ASBCI events
- Free technical site visits
- Free access to member webinars
- Content in our publications
- Your news on our website
- First access to technical handbooks
- Receive and contribute to member magazines and newsletters
- Free new business referrals with other organisations
- Advice from the ASBCI's law firm.

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## Work with us.

Collaboration with members has been a cornerstone of the ASBCI's activities since its inception, and particularly during the Covid-19 pandemic. Working with members, we have organised and contributed to numerous online events, delivering essential insights to help the industry adapt to unprecedented disruption. And we want to continue to do so.

### Events from members, for members.

The strength of the ASBCI is in the knowledge of our members and their willingness to share, and we want to maximise this by organising a series of short events co-hosted by members, for members, on the topics that matter to you.

### Industry roundtables.

In the same vein, we aim to facilitate online roundtable discussions between members with the aim of moving forward together on issues ranging from Brexit's impacts to supply chain transparency and chemical management.

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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, Ameba, J. Barbour and Sons, Bodi.Me Ltd, BTTG, Bureau Veritas CPS UK, Byways Ltd, CapitB 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, HSTTS (High Street Textile Testing Services), IMM Associates, Infor, Hohenstein, Hyosung, James Heal, JEP Consultancy, Judd Consultants, Kufner Holding GmbH, Lintex Technology Co Limited/Style 3D, Lipsy, 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, Shiplines UK Ltd, Shirley Technologies, Sizemic, Society of Dyers & Colourists, Staffordshire University, Summit Media, [TC]2 Textile/Clothing Technology Corporation, Tesco Stores, TFG London (Hobbs, Phase Eight, Whistles), TRS (Worldwide) Ltd, The LYCRA Company, The Textile Institute, THG Ingenuity, Trimco, TÜV Rheinland UK, TUV Sud, UK Fashion & Textiles Association, UL Verification Services, Verivide, Vetigraph Fashion Digital Solutions Ltd, Workwear Uniform Group