

Rare Fellowship for Dstl Scientist

News story

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It is a huge accolade with only 1600 Engineering Fellowships world-wide with Bryn's award is among 53 announced today at the academies' AGM.

Sir Jim McDonald FEng FRSE, President of the Royal Academy of Engineering, said:

The new Fellows are among the most talented and successful engineers working in the field today, leaders in areas from transport and our essential data infrastructure to lifesaving developments in medical research. We look forward to working with them and benefiting from their ideas and insight as we strive to inform public debate and provide.

Dr Bryn Hughes is described by his peers as an outstanding engineer who has made numerous contributions to the UK's defence and security. He has brought together various aspects of engineering to develop new sensors for use in harsh environments, worked to raise awareness of national IT security linked to critical infrastructure, and delivered a modern manufacturing capability. All of these achievements have necessitated a deep understanding of specific engineering techniques and methods, as well as wider system engineering, to deliver solutions that are technically robust and meet challenging end user requirements for secure operation.

Speaking about his award, Dr Hughes said:

I am hugely excited and humbled by this honour, especially by being put forward by my peers. This honour also acknowledges the great people that I have had the privilege of working with throughout my career and who have helped me in any achievement that I may have made.

The Royal Academy of Engineering is a charity that harnesses the power of engineering to build a sustainable society and an inclusive economy that works for everyone.

Dstl's Chief Officer, Andy Bell said:

It is wonderful to see the expertise of our staff recognised in this way. Bryn is a highly regarded, not just here at Dstl, but around the world. It is a great achievement for Bryn and I congratulate him on behalf of all at Dstl.

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