OPEA Winners 2014 Press Release

Ontario Professional Engineers Awards Honour 2014 Recipients

TORONTO, June 12, 2014 – The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) and Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) are pleased to announce the winners of the 2014 Ontario Professional Engineers Awards (OPEA). The awards will be presented at a special gala ceremony on Saturday, November 22, at The International Centre in Toronto. Awards are given annually to Professional Engineers who have shown exemplary service in their respective fields, communities and their profession.

Engineering Medal – Engineering Excellence Category

Brian Garrod, P.Eng.,FCAE
Executive Vice President, Hatch Mott MacDonald, Mississauga

Sigmund Soudack, P.Eng.
President, Sigmund Soudack and Associates Inc., Toronto

Engineering Medal – Engineering Excellence Category

Bin Wu, M.A. Sc, Ph.D, P.Eng., FCAE Senior NSERC / Rockwell Industrial Research Chair and Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Ryerson University

Engineering Medal – Entrepreneurship Category

David Hunter Purvis, P.Eng. Vice President Technology (Polymers), The Shaw Group, Toronto

Engineering Medal – Management Category

Gerald Chaput, P.Eng.

Assistant Deputy Minister, Provincial Highways Management Division, Ontario Ministry of Transportation, St. Catharines

Todd Young, P.Eng.

Vice President, Customer Services and Support, Bombardier Aerospace, Minesing

Engineering Medal – Research and Development Category

Raafat R. Mansour, Ph.D., FIEEE., FEIC., FCAE, P.Eng.
Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Waterloo

David Naylor, B.E.Sc., M.E.Sc., Ph.D, F.C.A.E., F.C.S.M.E., P.Eng. Professor, Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, Ryerson University

Frank J. Vecchio, Ph.D., F.A.C.I., P.Eng. Professor, Mechanical Engineering, University of Toronto

Engineering Medal - Young Engineer Award

Natalie Enright Jerger, Ph.D., P.Eng. Assistant Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Toronto

Professional Engineers Citizenship Award

Márta Ecsedi, FEC, P.Eng. Principal, AURA Management Consultants, Richmond Hill

About OSPE

The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) is the voice of the Engineering Profession in Ontario. Practically everything we rely on to live and work in Ontario every day is a product of Engineering -- from the water we drink to the cars we drive, to the fact that the light comes on when we flick a switch. Engineers make our society run. For more information about OSPE, please visit www.ospe.on.ca.

About PEO

Professional Engineers Ontario administers the *Professional Engineers Act* by licensing Ontario's professional engineers, granting temporary, limited and provisional licences to practise professional engineering, and authorizing businesses to provide engineering services to the public. It sets standards for and regulates engineering in Ontario so that the public interest is served and protected. Rigorously educated, experienced, and committed to a Code of Ethics that puts the public first, licensed professional engineers can be identified by the P.Eng. after their names. PEO has presented awards for professional achievement and community service since 1947. www.peo.on.ca

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