The Institute's Director of Research reaches 40-year membership milestone with IEEE and Optica

Professor Martin Dawson, the IoP's Director of Research, has this month achieved a significant professional membership milestone: 40 years as a member of both IEEE and Optica. Martin, who was elevated to Fellowship of Optica (OSA) in 2007 and Fellowship of IEEE in 2009, was sent a badge by IEEE celebrating this milestone and he now becomes a Life Fellow of IEEE.



Martin said: "I joined both OSA (now Optica) and IEEE in 1985 when I began to work as a post-doc in the United States and first realised the benefits of membership. It's amazing to think that I have now been a member of both organisations for 40 years. Both have been professional homes for me throughout that time and I'm very grateful for the support and many opportunities membership has brought me. These organizations are really important and I encourage any photonics researcher who is not a member to join and to get involved in service and volunteering in our international optics and photonics community".