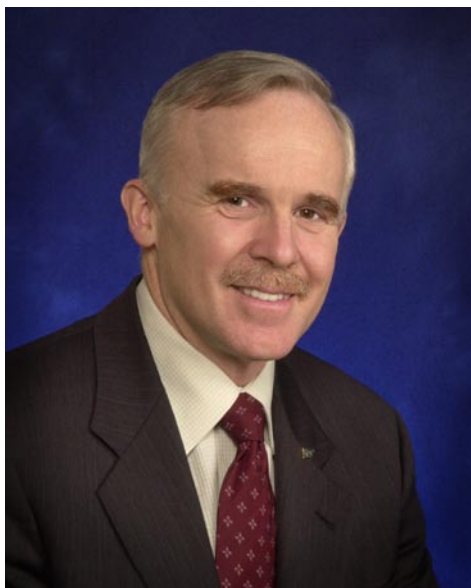




News Release

Dr. John Leggat elected President of the Canadian Academy of Engineering for 2008/2009

Ottawa – (June 23, 2008) – Dr. John Leggat, P.Eng., FCAE was elected President of the Canadian Academy of Engineering (CAE) at CAE's Annual General Meeting held on June 17, 2008 in Montreal. He was elected as a Fellow of the Academy in 2004, a member of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors in 2006 and he has chaired various committees of the Academy. He is currently President-Elect of the International Council of Academies of Engineering and Technological Sciences (CAETS) and will assume the position of President later this month. The CAE will be the host of the CAETS 2009 Convocation in Calgary, Alberta in July, 2009.



Dr. Leggat is an Associate Consultant with CFN Consultants. Prior to joining CFN in September 2005, he was the Assistant Deputy Minister (Science & Technology) of the Department of National Defence and Chief Executive Officer of Defence R&D Canada.

A native of Montreal, Dr. Leggat received his education at the Royal Military College of Canada (BEng 1971) and the University of British Columbia (MAsc 1973 and PhD 1976) in the field of aeroacoustics. He is a graduate of the National Defence College.

During his career, Dr. Leggat has served in a number of appointments in Defence R&D. He has directed programs that have addressed frigate and submarine technology pertaining to noise reduction, hydromechanics, ship structures and materials; as well as defence research programs in radar systems, electronic warfare, communications and space systems.

He served 33 years in the Reserve component of the Canadian Forces, retiring in 2001 in the rank of Colonel.

His contributions to science and engineering have been recognized by a number of organizations including the Canadian Acoustical Association, the Canadian Society of

Mechanical Engineering, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Association of Professional Executives of the Public Service, the Engineering Institute of Canada and Professional Engineers Ontario.

The Canadian Academy of Engineering comprises many of the country's most accomplished engineers, who have expressed their dedication to the application of science and engineering principles in the interests of the country and its enterprises. The Academy was established in 1987, and is an active member of the *International Council of Academies of Engineering and Technological Sciences (CAETS)*, which involves 24 other leading countries.

Members of the Academy are nominated and elected by their peers to honorary Fellowships, in view of their distinguished achievements and career-long service to the engineering profession. Members work closely with the other national engineering associations in Canada, and with the other Canadian academies that comprise the *Council of Canadian Academies*.

Fellows of the Academy are committed to ensuring that Canada's engineering expertise is applied to the benefit of all Canadians, and can be identified by the FCAE after their names.

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Fellows of the Academy are committed to ensuring that Canada's engineering expertise is applied to the benefit of all Canadians. This mission is fulfilled by:

- promoting increased awareness of the role of engineering in society,
- speaking out with an independent voice on issues relevant to engineering in Canada and abroad,
- promoting industrial competitiveness, while preserving the environment, in Canada and abroad,
- recognizing and celebrating excellence in engineering contributions to the Canadian economy,
- advising on engineering education, research, development and innovation,
- developing and maintaining effective relations with other professional engineering organizations, academies and learned societies, in Canada, and abroad.

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L'ACADÉMIE CANADIENNE DU GÉNIE

L'Académie canadienne du génie se compose de plusieurs des ingénieurs les plus expérimentés du pays qui ont manifesté leur dévouement en faveur de l'application des principes de la science et du génie dans l'intérêt du pays et de ses entreprises. L'Académie a été fondée en 1987 et est un membre actif de l'organisme international appelé *Council of Academies of Engineering and Technological Sciences (CAETS)*, qui comprend 24 autres principaux pays.

Les membres de l'Académie sont nommés et élus par leurs pairs à titre de Membres honoraires, en fonction de leurs réalisations exceptionnelles et de leurs longs états de service au sein de la profession d'ingénieur. L'Académie compte présentement quelque 306 membres actifs, 112 membres émérites et 3 membres honoraires. Ses membres travaillent en étroite collaboration avec les autres associations nationales d'ingénieurs du pays, ainsi qu'avec les autres académies canadiennes qui forment le *Conseil des académies canadiennes*.

Les membres de l'Académie s'engagent à faire en sorte que les connaissances expertes en génie du Canada soient appliquées pour le grand bien de tous les Canadiens et de toutes les Canadiennes. Ils s'acquittent de cette mission de la façon suivante :

- en favorisant une plus grande sensibilisation à l'égard du rôle de l'ingénierie dans la société,
- en s'exprimant de façon indépendante sur les questions portant sur l'ingénierie au Canada et à l'étranger,
- en encourageant la compétitivité industrielle dans le respect de l'environnement, au Canada et à l'étranger,
- en reconnaissant et en rendant hommage à l'excellence de l'apport de l'ingénierie à l'économie canadienne,
- en offrant des conseils en matière de formation, de recherche, de développement et d'innovation en génie,
- en développant et en entretenant des rapports efficaces avec les autres organismes, académies et sociétés savantes qui s'intéressent au génie, au Canada et à l'étranger.

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