

TCeurope Award 2006 bestowed to Alan Fisk

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The fourth award that has been bestowed since the foundation of TCeurope, went to the UK, the country with the longest standing tradition in Technical Communication as a profession and, at the same time, the country with the oldest of the TCeurope member organisations: ISTC, the Institute of Scientific and Technical Communicators. Alan Fisk, member of the ISTC board for many years, received the award during the gala dinner of the annual ISTC conference in Maidenbower.

He was involved in the foundation process of TCeurope that was initiated by ISTC and tekcom in 2000 and was ISTC delegate ever since. For 4 years, since the official foundation of TCeurope in 2002, he was TCeurope Secretary until he resigned from this office in March 2006.

He took part actively in 5 of 6 European colloquia organised by TCeurope and contributed to the development of both, the SecureDoc and the TecDoc-Net guidelines that were published by TCeurope in 2004 and 2005 respectively.

The TC Europe Award is bestowed for outstanding merits in the field of international and, in particular, European cooperation and for outstanding personal commitment to the promotion of the profession in Europe and worldwide. As Secretary of TCeurope, Alan represented the interests of over 7000 individual members of the TCeurope member societies. He helped to build up a cooperation network with other TC organisations worldwide, professional associations in related fields, educational institutions and standards bodies.

Former awards were bestowed to:
Birgitte Beutemüller (tekcom, Germany, in 2003)
Johan Nasström (FTI, Sweden, in 2004)
Carl-Heinz Gabriel (tekcom, Germany, in 2005)