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COLLEGE NOTICE

REGIUS PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING

Professor Chris Toumazou is to be appointed as the College's first Regius Professor of Engineering.

Imperial College London was granted a prestigious Regius professorship by Her Majesty the Queen as part of her 60th anniversary celebrations. Eleven other universities in the UK also received the rare privilege of using the Regius title, awarded only twice in the past century. The award is a reflection of the exceptionally high quality of teaching and research at an institution and prior to these awards, regius professorships were limited to a handful of the ancient universities of the UK and Ireland - Oxford, Cambridge, St Andrews, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Trinity College, Dublin.

Imperial College will confer the title of Regius Professor of Engineering on Professor Chris Toumazou FRS, FEng, FMedSci from the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering as part of the Commemoration Day Ceremony on Wednesday 23 October 2013.

Among his many achievements, Professor Toumazou developed one of the world's first cochlear implants to enable deaf people to hear. He has also created a digital plaster, which can remotely monitor a patient's medical vital signs in the comfort of their own home and a hand-held genetic sequencing device that can instantly analyse a patient's DNA to determine if that patient can metabolise a specific type of medication.

John Neilson
College Secretary & Registrar