College Notice

Heads of Department in the Faculty of Engineering

Professor Nicholas (Nick) Buenfeld FREng will continue as Head of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering for another five years, until 31 August 2021. Professor Buenfeld is Professor of Concrete Structures and has been Head of the Department since 1 September 2011.

Professor Mark Sephton has accepted appointment as Head of the Department of Earth Science and Engineering from 1 August 2016, for a period of 5 years, in succession to Professor Johannes (Jan) Cilliers.

Professor Sephton was appointed in 2005 as Reader in Earth Science and Engineering, and was promoted to Professor of Organic Geochemistry and Meteorics in October 2007. Currently he is the Head of the Earth and Planets Group and has a departmental responsibility for safety.

Professor Daniel Rueckert FREng has accepted appointment as Head of the Department of Computing from 1 October 2016, for a period of 5 years, in succession to Professor Susan Eisenbach.

Professor Rueckert obtained his PhD from Imperial College in 1997 and he became a lecturer at the College in 1999. He was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 2003 and to Professor of Visual Information Processing in 2005. Professor Rueckert has undertaken senior departmental roles, such as Director of Research from October 2009 to September 2013, and he is currently Deputy Head of Department.

Professor Nilay Shah FREng has accepted appointment as Head of the Department of Chemical Engineering from 1 October 2016, for a period of 5 years, in succession to Professor Andrew Livingston.

Professor Shah obtained his MEng (1st Class) in 1988 and his PhD in 1992 from Imperial College, becoming an employee in June 1989 as a Research Assistant. He was appointed as a Lecturer in 1992, was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1998 and promoted to Professor of Process of Systems Engineering on 1 October 2001. Professor Shah has undertaken senior departmental roles including Director of Undergraduate Studies from October 2003 to July 2007. Currently he is the Director of the Centre for Process Systems Engineering (CPSE) and Director of Research for the Department of Chemical Engineering.

John Neilson
College Secretary & Registrar