



Roy Aitken

National President, Institute of Hospital Engineering, Australia (IHEA)

Roy Aitken has been a member of the Institute of Hospital Engineering, Australia (IHEA) National Council for 11 years and is the current National President. He is also a Fellow of the IHEA, an organisation of which he has been a member since 1976. He is also currently Acting Director of Facilities Management for the North Metropolitan

Health Service in Perth, Western Australia (WA). He has 27 years of experience as a hospital engineer, in both the public and private sectors, in Australia and England, and he is a Past WA State President and Secretary. Mr Aitken also represents the IHEA as a delegate to the International Federation of Hospital Engineering (IFHE). ■



Don Garrison

Chief of Facilities Management, Franklin Community Health Network

Don Garrison is serving his second term as Region I Director for the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE). He has also served as President of the Maine and the New England Groups of ASHE. His work experience involves 27 years for the Department of Veteran Affairs as Chief of Facilities Management for a large medical centre complex. He is a trained Malcolm Baldrige examiner and has served as a senior quality examiner for the Margaret Chase Smith Maine Quality Center,

as well as an examiner for the Department of Veterans Affairs. Over the last five years he has reviewed over 30 hospitals and three networks of hospitals with annual budgets ranging from US\$20 million to US\$750 million. For the past two years he has served as a Senior Team Member and Chief of Facilities Management for Franklin Community Health Network in Farmington, Maine. Mr Garrison is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts and holds an electrical engineering degree. ■



Dr Christoph Hartung

President, Scientific Society of Hospital Engineering (WGKT)

Dr Christoph Hartung is President of the Scientific Society of Hospital Engineering (WGKT). He is a council member of the International Federation of Hospital Engineering (IFHE) and a member of the International Federation of Medical and Biological Engineering, as well as the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He has also been Professor of Bioengineering and Hospital Engineering at the Medical University of Hannover since 2000, having been a lecturer of Mechanical Engineering there since 1976. In 1976, he was also appointed as Professor of

Bio-engineering and Hospital Engineering at the Medical University of Hannover, having been the Technical Director there since 1971. In 1973, he gained an Habilitation in Bioengineering and Hospital Engineering there. In 1967, he became a registered and consulting engineer of Civil and Mechanical Engineering. In 1964, he became a scientific assistant in Engineering Mechanics at the Technische Hochschule, Hannover, where he gained a Dr.-Ing. in 1967 and a Diploma in Mechanical Engineering in 1964. ■

Erik Høibjelke

President, Norwegian Federation of Hospital Engineering (FSTL)

Erik Høibjelke has been President of the Norwegian Federation of Hospital Engineering (FSTL) and a council member of the International Federation of Hospital Engineering (IFHE) since 1999. He has been a senior engineer and Head of the Technical Department of Ullevål University Hospital in Oslo since 1995. From 1989 to 1995, he was a senior engineer and Head of

the Medical Technical Department at Aker University Hospital, Oslo. Between 1980 and 1989, he worked for the Norwegian government in the Electro Medical Safety Department. From 1973 to 1980, Mr Høibjelke worked at Gallus Plesner AS as a consultant in medical technical equipment, having previously been a senior engineer in the Norwegian Air Force. ■



Wayne D Klingelsmith

President, American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE)

Wayne D Klingelsmith is the current President of the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE). He is also a member of the Georgia Society for Hospital Engineers, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Healthcare Section, the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) and the Florida Healthcare Engineering Association (where he served as President in 1991). He served as the ASHE Region 4/Board Representative from 1996 to 2000, Chairman of the Environmental Management

Committee, Certification Program Committee and Green Building Task Force. He has been the Director of Facilities Management at Athens Regional Medical Center in Athens, Georgia, since January 2001, prior to which he spent 19 years as System Director of Plant Operations at Lee Memorial Health System in Fort Myers, Florida. Mr Klingelsmith has an MBA from Nova University, a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from Akron University and an Associate in Applied Science in Air Conditioning Technology from the State University of New York at Alfred. ■



Donald Spielmacher

President, Canadian Healthcare Engineering Society (CHES)

Donald Spielmacher is now serving in his second year of a two-year term as President of the Canadian Healthcare Engineering Society (CHES). He has been a member of CHES since 1980 and has held many executive positions with the Ontario Chapter of CHES, notably as President from 1990 to 1992. He has been employed at the Hanover and District Hospital for 30 years as the Director of Environmental Services. Being a member of the hospital's senior management team he is responsible for facility operation and

maintenance, housekeeping, linen supply, fire safety, accreditation co-ordinator and continuous quality improvement (CQI). He is also involved with infection control and occupational health and safety and serves on the leadership/partnership and environmental CQI teams. His post-secondary education from George Brown College and Humber College was in the field of electrical and electronics while hospital departmental management was obtained through the Canadian Hospital Association (CHA). ■



Peter Wearmouth

Chief Executive, NHS Estates

Peter Wearmouth has been Chief Executive of NHS Estates since May 2001. He is directly accountable to the Secretary of State for the NHS Estates' strategic direction and leadership. The NHS Estate and Facilities portfolio is the largest in Europe and he is responsible for policy formulation and implementation in the key area. Mr Wearmouth was formerly Director of Policy for the NHS Estate, with a lead on facilities

management services. Previously, as Healthcare Facilities Director at Bradford NHS Trust, he was responsible for all support services and capital investment and was a member of the Trust Board. He also held the position of General Manager of Mental Health Services in Bradford for two years. Prior to that, Mr Wearmouth had a career in general and project management in the public and private sectors. ■

