

Suong Van Hoa - nominated by the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering

Suong Van Hoa is Chair of the Department of Mechanical & Industrial Engineering at Concordia University where he has taught and conducted extensive research in the area of composite materials for the past 25 years. He is an honorary Professor at Shanghai University and an Adjunct Professor at École de Technologie Supérieure, Québec. Suong was the founder, first president, first board chair and fellow of the Canadian Association for Composite Materials, and is currently the Editor-in-Chief for the Journal of Science and Engineering of Composite Materials.

Suong Van Hoa is an internationally well known researcher in the area of composites and has contributed significantly to the advancement of knowledge in this field. In addition, he has had a successful long standing relationship and collaboration with industry evidenced by his active involvement with the Consortium in Research and Innovation in Aerospace Engineering in Quebec. Companies such as Pratt & Whitney, Bell Helicopter Textron, Bombardier Aerospace and EMS Technologies have benefited from his research. This collaboration has led to many innovations in the aircraft industry, leading to his receipt of the NSERC Synergy Award for Innovation in 2006.

On top of these technical and academic pursuits, Suong finds time to give back to those in need. He has helped raise funds for disadvantaged children in Québec and for victims of the Tsunami. We take delight this evening in honouring Suong for his contributions to mechanical engineering research & pedagogy, and to others.

Ladies & gentlemen and Mr. President, please welcome Suong Van Hoa as a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada.