

THE ROYAL ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING

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The Academy was founded in 1976 as The Fellowship of Engineering on the initiative of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and a group of distinguished engineers. It was granted the Royal Charter in 1983 and, with the gracious consent of Her Majesty The Queen, adopted the present title in July 1992.

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