

## ITRI to change name to International Tin Association

**24 January:** ITRI will change its name to International Tin Association Ltd from **1st February 2018**. This builds on our heritage as the former International Tin Research Institute but also recognises our evolution towards tin industry leadership with a more diverse range of activities.



Established in 1932 in London, UK our organisation for its first 70 years brought together tin producing governments and producers to focus on the promotion of tin and the research and development of new tin-based technologies. During that time our work provided the technical foundations for the development of tin as solder for electronics, as tinplate for food cans, and as chemicals used in plastics. Technology is still an important component of our work to this day.

However, over the last two decades we have grown to recognise a broader range of tin industry issues and have expanded activities in areas such as market analysis, conferences, sustainability, and regulatory affairs. Today our members and associate members represent more than two-thirds of global tin production and we have established extensive tin user networks in the major sectors. ITRI opened its China office in 2009, improving our understanding, connections, and influence in this key market.

Now, as the International Tin Association, we have a new platform for our members to establish industry leadership. This includes launching a Code of Conduct to support responsible tin sourcing, a major objective for the industry. We remain a not-for-profit organisation that welcomes new members. In providing an informed and authoritative voice to the industry we look forward to an exciting future for tin as a vital metal playing an important role in enhancing the quality of everyday life.

Note, the name change has already taken effect.

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