

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMPOSITES INDUSTRY

HIGHLY COMMENDED: Scott Tolson

Scott Tolson has made a significant contribution to the UK composites industry through both his commercial career and his longstanding support of Composites UK.

During his 24-year career with Sigmalex, Scott helped grow the business from a local UK operation into a global leader in textiles, with facilities in the UK, US and China. He also served on the Boards of the ATI and NAA, supporting the development of UK strategy and helping deliver strategic objectives through Sigmalex's leadership of major collaborative research proposals. He left Sigmalex in 2020.

Scott's contribution to Composites UK began in June 2016, when he joined the Board during a particularly challenging financial period. Drawing on his financial expertise, he took on the role of Financial Director and introduced improved accounting practices and financial management processes, alongside his full-time responsibilities as CEO of Sigmalex.

By the end of 2018, Composites UK had returned to financial stability and was building reserves. This strengthened position proved vital when the COVID-19 pandemic struck in 2020, helping ensure the Association could continue supporting its members through an exceptionally difficult period.

Scott continued as Financial Director until October 2025, completing more than nine years of service on the Board. His commitment, expertise and behind-the-scenes work have made a lasting contribution to the resilience of Composites UK and the wider composites community.

