# Short Biography of Okyay Kaynak

**Okyay Kaynak** received the BSc (first-class honors) and PhD degrees in electronic and electrical engineering from the University of Birmingham, Birmingham, U. K., in 1969 and 1972, respectively.

From 1972 to 1979, he held various positions within the industry that included 3.5 years in Saudi Arabia, working as a project engineer. In 1979, he joined Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey. Currently, he is an Emeritus Professor. He has held long-term (near to or more than a year) Visiting Professor/Scholar positions at various institutions in Saudi Arabia, Japan, Germany, USA, Singapore, and China.

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Dr. Kaynak is a fellow of IEEE. He has served on the Editorial or Advisory Boards of several scholarly journals. He was the Editor-in-Chief of IEEE Trans. on Industrial Informatics during 2005-2006, IEEE/ASME Trans. on Mechatronics during 2014-2016, and Co-Editor in Chief of IEEE Trans. on Industrial Electronics during 2009-2012. He currently serves as the Founding Editor-in-Chief of the new IEEE Journal, Trans. on Industrial Cyber-Physical Systems and the Springer Journal Discover Artificial Intelligence

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