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David Tinker

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Dave Tinker has undertaken a broad range of tasks, all associated with agricultural engineering in one form or another.

His early career, from 1978 whilst at Silsoe Research Institute involved him in overseas work on tillage and traction in Latin America and the Middle East. On returning to the UK he developed his career in Bio-Engineering, working specifically in the livestock industry and the engineering involved in slaughterhouses.

In 2006 he set up David Tinker and Associates (DTA Ltd) with the remit of providing secretariat services for the European Society of Agricultural Engineers (EurAgEng) and EU funded agricultural engineering projects, including the highly successful AgEng conferences.

DTA Ltd also manages the European Network for Advanced Engineering in Agriculture and Environment (ENGAGE) and until recently, Dave was Secretary General of both EurAgEng and ENGAGE.

Also within the remit of DTA Ltd is applied R&D input to a range of projects from CTF to carcass hygiene and most recently to the SmartAKIS project. For the latter, DTA Ltd teamed up with Agri-Tech East (of which they are a member) to provide Smart Farming Technology workshops across the east of England.

Overall, Dave Tinker has had a significant impact on a wide range of agricultural disciplines, engaging with broad audiences across Europe to promote innovation in research and development.

