

Johan "Jussi" Gullichsen (b. 1936), Professor Emeritus of Cellulose Technology at Aalto University, a long-time Member and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the A. Ahlström Oy Family Company passed away on Saturday 13 May 2023.

Johan Gullichsen made a remarkable career as an inventor to solve quality and environmental problems in the wood processing industry. He registered more than 60 patents and published more than 180 scientific articles. He has been awarded the Finnish Engineering Prize of the Year (1984) and the prestigious international Marcus Wallenberg Prize in Sweden (1986). Johan Gullichsen is a member of the Paper Industry International Hall of Fame in the United States and holds an honorary doctorate from Åbo Akademi University. Johan Gullichsen was awarded the Lampén Medal for outstanding and wide-raging technical and scientific work (2004) by Finnish Forest Products Engineers Association.

Johan Gullichsen was also an internationally renowned sailor in the 5.5 mR class. He won the Scandinavian Gold Cup twice (1986 and 2012), participated in the Tokyo Olympic Games (1964), and won silver at the Sidney World Championships (2005).

Our condolences to the family.