SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS
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WHAT ARE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS?

All ADS Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are formed of ADS Members and stakeholders with similar professional specialities. These Groups are designed to enable Members to network, seek out business development opportunities, learn, influence markets and stakeholders and keep up-to-date with current, related developments.

All Groups deliver a diverse range of activities which are led by the Members and supported by ADS’s Executive. ADS Member Companies can belong to any number of SIGs, with as many representatives from their businesses as they wish.

For more information on any ADS SIG and details of how to join, please contact the relevant Group’s ADS Contact.

Typical types of SIG activities include:

• Regular meetings
• Stakeholder engagement
• Site visits to operating facilities
• Regular e-bulletins featuring event previews, news and articles of interest
• Professional networking
• Business development opportunities
• Preparation of responses to consultations
• Bespoke events
What is the Aerospace Export Focus Group?
The Aerospace Export Focus Group reviews and prioritises export programmes and opportunities in the Aerospace sector (both civil and military). Membership currently consists of a range of large, medium and SME companies.

What is the purpose of the Group?
To provide strategic guidance to enable ADS Members to win new business through the following deliverables:

- Priority programmes/markets
- A two year programme (to be produced annually) of events to target priority opportunities
- Production of an annual international strategy document
- Identification of barriers that affect Members’ ability to export and signposting to sources of help (support agencies etc)
- Identification of priority lists for invitation to major Aerospace events e.g. delegations for the Farnborough Airshow, buyers for Meet the Buyer Events, etc

How do I join?
Membership is open to all ADS Member companies by nomination to:
david.scotter@adsgroup.org.uk
or calling: 0207 091 4523

Key roles
ADS Lead: David Scotter
Chairperson: Jon White, GE Aviation

What is the Business Ethics Forum?
The Business Ethics Forum provides ethics-related advice and assistance to UK companies in the Aerospace, Defence and Security sectors.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Forum promotes the prevention of corruption in the international market, assisting and encouraging other participants to:

- Make a public statement of adherence to an internationally recognised code of conduct incorporating anti-corruption measures
- Promote appropriate policy statements, codes of conduct and guidance to employees
- Share relevant information, experience and materials for the benefit of all
- Take part in regular meetings to share up-to-date information and expertise

How do I join?
Complete and return a Membership application form which can be requested by emailing:
Brinleysalzmann@adsgroup.org.uk
or calling: 0207 091 7822

Key roles
ADS Lead: Brinley Salzmann
CARBON MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP (CMWG)

What is the Carbon Management Working Group?
The CMWG was set up to promote and assist ADS Members in signing up to the Climate Change Agreement (CCA) and now includes other Climate Change legislation.

What is the purpose of the Group?
To promote Members’ interests:
- By examining progress towards meeting targets agreed with the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) as part of the management of the Aerospace Sectors Climate Change Agreements (CCA)
- Developing an understanding of the European Emission Trading Scheme (EU-ETS); and other carbon emissions legislation such as the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC)

The Group has established its position through consultations and lobbying Government and agencies. It is also working towards collating the amount of energy consumed by company facilities, in order to track and promote the carbon efficiency of the sectors represented by ADS, encouraging Members to sign up to the voluntary Carbon Disclosure Project.

How do I join?
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Key roles
- ADS Lead: Kevin Morris
- Chairman: Stuart Barker, BAE Systems
- Vice-Chairman: James Pollington, BAE Systems

CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL RADIOLOGICAL NUCLEAR (CBRN-UK)

What is CBRN-UK?
CBRN-UK was initially established in 1994 as NBC-UK, to ensure that the UK-CBRN industry was properly represented internationally and to ensure complete and co-ordinated information in the light of overseas competition. For further information please visit: www.cbrn-uk.com.

What is the purpose of the Group?
CBRN-UK acts as a focal point to represent the interests of its Members to UK Government Departments, Overseas Governments and other organisations.

How do I join the Group?
This Group is open to non-ADS Members (Membership fees apply).
All CBRN-UK Members will need to pay a marketing levy.
For further information please visit www.cbrn-uk.com or contact Ingrid Correa by emailing: ingrid.correa@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 7817

Key roles
- ADS Lead: Bob Rose
- ADS Facilitator: Ingrid Correa
- Chairperson: Chris Abbott, Watership Associates Ltd
- Vice Chairperson: Nigel Holmes, Scott Safety Ltd
CLOTHING INTEREST GROUP (CLING)

What is CLING?
CLING acts as a forum for ADS Members who have an interest in clothing and clothing-related subjects, including the supply and manufacture of the full range of military clothing, personal protection personal equipment and combat support equipment for UK and overseas markets.

What is the purpose of the Group?
CLING provides its Members with advice and initiatives and aims to promote close liaison with the UK Ministry of Defence, UKTI DSO and other professional bodies.

The Group acts as a reference point for UK Government departments when seeking an industrial view point when formulating policy in the relevant fields.

The scope of the Group’s activities includes operational clothing; uniform and ceremonial clothing, badges and accoutrements; safety clothing including specialist aircrew and marine, diving clothing; NBC and CBRN clothing and equipment, personal protection equipment, body armour and helmets; and combat support stores such as tents, sleeping bags, personal load carrying equipment and survival stores.

How do I join?
Please contact Ingrid Correa by emailing: ingrid.correa@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 7817

Key roles
ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
ADS Secretary: Ingrid Correa
Chairperson: Silas Suchanek, Goliath Footwear

COMMAND, CONTROL, COMPUTING, CYBER, COMMUNICATIONS AND COUNTER INTELLIGENCE (C6I)

What is C6I?
C6I focuses on both domestic and export business and market development opportunities across the Cyber, Command, Control, Computing, Communications and Counter Intelligence domain. The Group is chaired and led by industry Members and reports into both the Defence and Security Sector Boards.

What is the purpose of the Group?
C6I brings together stakeholders from Government and industry (operational and supply) in a broad forum to assist the development and procurement of Cyber, Command and Control, Communications, Computing and Counter-Intelligence products and services to the UK and international markets.

C6I provides a focus for domain stakeholder requirements.

The Group champions C6I products and services to potential clients, developers and planners.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
ADS Facilitator: Ingrid Correa
Group Chairperson: Andy Howard, BMT Ltd
Vice Chairperson: Neil O’Connor, Activity
COVERT TECHNOLOGIES SUPPLIERS FORUM (CTSF)

What is the CTSF?
The CTSF supports ADS Members who have products or services in the covert and surveillance arenas, including detection, interception, jamming and counter measures.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Group holds four meetings a year designed to discuss current developments and opportunities in the marketplace. Key stakeholders are also invited to the meetings, providing Members with valuable networking opportunities. The Group also hosts its own specialist events.

How do I join?
Please contact Ingrid Correa for an application form by emailing:
ingrid.correa@adsgroup.org.uk
or calling: 0207 091 7817
A marketing levy of £100 per company is payable and all Members must be security cleared.

Key roles
ADS Lead: Ray Lee
ADS Secretary: Ingrid Correa
Chairperson: Keith Gregory-Parry, Covert Network Associates
Vice Chairperson: David Barrett, L-3 TRL

DEFENCE EXPORT FOCUS GROUP

What is the Defence Export Focus Group?
The Defence Export Focus Group reviews and prioritises export programmes and opportunities in the Defence sector (both land and maritime). Membership currently consists of a range of large, medium and SME companies.

What is the purpose of the Group?
To provide strategic guidance to enable ADS Members involved in the Defence (land and maritime) sector to win new business through the following deliverables:

• Identification of priority programmes/markets for the Defence sector
• Identification of an annual programme of events to target priority opportunities for the Defence sector
• Identify priority list of customers to attend key events such as DSEI, Meet the Buyer Events, etc
• Production of an annual international strategy document
• Identification of barriers that affect Members’ ability to export
• Ensure relevant links are maintained between the Defence Export Focus Group and Defence Sector Board to understand Government’s international priorities and inform ADS lobbying on export strategy
• Ensure relevant links are maintained between the Defence Export Focus Group and other ADS Special Interest Groups to understand the export needs and interests of Member companies in relevant sectors

How do I join?
Membership of the Group is open to all ADS Member companies. Those wishing to join should be nominated by the ADS Member to David Scotter, by emailing: david.scotter@adsgroup.org.uk, or calling: 0207 091 4523

Key roles
ADS Lead: David Scotter
Chairman: Steve Murray, Thales
DESIGN FOR ENVIRONMENT GROUP

What is the Design for Environment Group?
The Design for Environment Group creates standard industry metrics for the Aerospace sector.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Group reports to the Environmental Working Group of ADS and was set up to:
• Provide early warning/coordinating/positioning on matters relevant to the Group
• Brief ADS Members on Group issues, via workshops and industry briefings
• Develop industry standard metrics including Life Cycle Analysis/Management tools
• Act as the primary interface for Process Oriented Environment Management Systems (POEMS) – actively influencing the development of POEMS
• Report on best-practice in Design for Recycling; and to bring hazardous materials interfaces to the ADS Environmental Working Group, which in turn are raised with the ADS HazMat group

How do I join?
Please contact Kevin Morris by emailing:
kevin.morris@adsgroup.org.uk
or calling: 020 7091 4530

Key roles
ADS Lead: Kevin Morris
Chairman: Gael Sarrieu, Airbus
Vice-Chairman: Ben Clifford, Thales

ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP

What is the Environmental Working Group?
The Environmental Working Group oversees the work of the three environmental sub-groups (Carbon Management, Design for Environment and HazMat), reporting significant risks and issues to the four ADS Sector Boards (Aerospace, Defence, Security and Space).

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Group’s principle objective is to assist ADS Members in reducing their environmental impacts. This is done by:
• Co-ordinating, communicating and promoting authoritative information
• Sharing and promoting best practice
• Engaging with stakeholders on environmental issues and regulation affecting the Aerospace, Defence, Security and Space sectors
• Providing a coordinated response on UK and European environmental legislation and consultations when they are likely to impact on one or more of the industry sectors of ADS Members
• Supporting ADS liaison with Government departments, regulators and representatives of other industry sectors including ASD

How do I join?
Please contact Kevin Morris by emailing:
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Kevin Morris
Chairman: Keith Bushell, Airbus
Vice-Chairman: Dr Andrew Clifton, Rolls-Royce
**EVALUATION & TEST INTEREST GROUP (E&TG)**

**What is E&TG?**
The E&TG is open to ADS Members with an interest in the efficient and effective implementation of Evaluation and Test (E&T) products and/or service-delivery, across all relevant UK market sectors.

Reflecting the broad spectrum of the UK E&T environment, the E&TG promotes stakeholder collaboration and an atmosphere of learning, networking and engagement across the four sectors ADS represents and other relevant key sectors. The Group works to develop a strong relationship with ADS’s Training and Simulation Information Group (TASIG), Defence Systems Safety Group (DSSG) and Air Worthiness Board (AWB).

**What is the purpose of the Group?**
The E&TG attempts to influence policy and shape the market. ADS helps to provide a consolidated industry focus to promote co-operation between suppliers and clients who, together, will form a holistic view across the full range of E&T activities.

**How do I join?**
Please contact Ingrid Correa by emailing:
ingrid.correa@adsgroup.org.uk
or calling: 0207 091 7817

**Key roles**
- ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
- ADS Facilitator/Secretary: Ingrid Correa
- Chairperson: Nicholas Lay, QinetiQ

**EXPORT GROUP FOR AEROSPACE AND DEFENCE (EGAD)**

**What is EGAD?**
EGAD operates in conjunction with ADS, BNEA, CBI, Intellect and SMI, and provides export and trade controls advice and assistance. For further information please visit: www.egad.org.uk

**What is the purpose of the Group?**
To provide a range of export control-related products and services, including:
- Reliable information concerning export control issues
- A forum for discussion and education
- Sharing of information and experiences
- Lobbying Government for and on behalf of the Membership

Experts from the Executive Committee are able to undertake free informal compliance advisory visits, to assist in framing effective compliance procedures. A dedicated website identifies potential sources of help and ideas for problem solving and presents easy steps to “bite-sized compliance”. EGAD has also created, with Cranfield University, a series of externally-accredited training courses in export control compliance.

**How do I join?**
Complete and return the Membership application form which can be found at www.egad.org.uk or contact Brinley Salzmann for further information by emailing:
brinley.salzmann@adsgroup.org.uk

**Key roles**
- ADS Lead: Brinley Salzmann
- Chairperson: David Hayes, David Hayes-Export Controls
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WORKING GROUP (HAZMAT)

What is the HAZMAT Group?
The HAZMAT Working Group assists ADS Members in managing the risks associated with hazardous substances to coordinate, communicate and promote an authoritative information exchange.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Group gives early warnings, coordinated responses and positioning. It is involved in guidance formation for supply chain communication on REACH/ROHS/CLP/POPs, etc. The Group also builds relationships with regulators and legislators (BIS, HSE, MPs, MEPs, ECHA, EC, CAA/EASA, etc.) and works with other groups such as ASD, AIA, SEA, IAEG, etc., on hazardous substances; informing on regulatory compliance and risks that affect the Aerospace, Defence and Security sectors.

How do I join?
Please contact Kevin Morris by emailing:
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Kevin Morris
Chairman: Wyn Griffiths, BAE Systems
Vice-Chairman: Cristian Samoilovich, Boeing

INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP

What is the Infrastructure Group?
The Infrastructure Group supports ADS Members who are involved in the Estate of the MoD.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Infrastructure Group exists to develop links between the MoD’s capability provision and relevant infrastructure business opportunities, including partnering arrangements. The Group has been closely engaged with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation and its Next Generation Estates Contracts project.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
ADS Facilitator: Ingrid Correa
Chairperson: David Waddell, Morgan Sindall
LAND INTEREST GROUP
(LANDInG)

What is LANDInG?
LANDInG is for ADS Members with a particular interest or involvement in the land environment, including policing and security issues, both for the UK and overseas markets.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The aim of the Group is to provide opportunities for company development, mutual co-operation, an up-to-date understanding of the MoD (UK) requirements and help in export business.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
ADS Secretary: Ingrid Correa
Chairperson: David Shouesmith, PwC
Vice Chairperson: Andy Pedder, MBDA

LEGAL INTEREST GROUP
(LEGInG)

What is LEGInG?
LEGInG is for ADS Members with a particular interest in, or involvement with, the legal environment in which their business operates.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Group provides a focus for greater mutual understanding of current legal issues, including the likely impact of decisions and rulings by courts and similar bodies.

LEGInG ensures Members’ interests are represented in Government departments and other organisations, and their views are taken into account during the drafting of new or amended legislation and regulations.

The Group promotes, fosters and encourages a close working relationship with the DoJ, ERG/OGC, BIS, and other Government departments, regulatory bodies and appropriate professional bodies.

It also ensures Members are aware of the potential impacts that new or amended legislation may have on legal environments.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Tim Martin
MAINTENANCE REPAIR
OVERHAUL AND LOGISTICS
(MROL)

What is MROL?
MROL provides a forum for the discussion of a broad range of support issues and seeks to develop a consensual approach.

What is the purpose of the Group?
To identify challenges and opportunities facing the sector and coordinate industry-wide responses, bringing together sector participants ranging from aircraft operators to lower tier suppliers and service providers.

The Group speaks with a coherent voice in representing the interests of the sector, into ADS stakeholders such as BIS, MoD, UKTI, EASA, etc, ensuring that the whole life-cycle is considered when aircraft/aviation strategy is being looked at strategically.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Jeff Taylor
Chairperson: Tim Rice

MAJOR SECURITY EVENTS
GROUP (MSEG)

What is the MSEG?
MSEG has grown from the London Olympic Group (LOG). The Group transitioned from LOG to MSEG as it recognised that there was a need to help support Members in their business development interests in the National and International major security events market, beyond major sporting events.

What is the purpose of the Group?
MSEG provides industry with the opportunity to meet and discuss requirements with the key stakeholders tasked with delivering major Security events; as well as Home Office and UKTI officials who are drawing on the Olympic experience to help develop opportunities for businesses in these new markets. There is a focus on Brazil and Qatar, but also opportunities through the Kuwait Security Programme and in other Middle Eastern countries.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Bob Rose
ADS Secretary: Tracey Higgs
Chairperson: Caroline Flynn-Macleod, Terrington Management
MARITIME INTEREST GROUP (MIG)

What is the MIG?
The MIG supports the interests of ADS Members who have an involvement in the maritime sector of Defence business. Its aim is to provide a focus for maritime Defence activities and to offer advice on sector business for the UK and overseas markets.

One of the key issues facing industry is to develop an understanding of the user, principally the fleet. Only through knowing the environment and the practicalities the user faces on board ship, can industry be prepared to offer solutions and innovation with ideas which are fit for purpose.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The Group encourages networking between Members to exchange views and information. This is facilitated through seminars and briefings from senior Royal Naval Officers and MoD officials. Industry days are held at sea and in-harbour on board RN and RFA ships.

How do I join?
Please contact Ingrid Correa by emailing: ingrid.correa@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 7817

Key roles
ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
ADS Secretary: Ingrid Correa

METALLIC MATERIALS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (MMSIG)

What is the MMSIG?
The Group is formed primarily of members of the BSI ACE/61 committee – Metallic Materials for Aerospace Purposes, who are material specialists employed by the main UK Aerospace companies and material suppliers who are independent consultants. Many of the Committee members are sponsored by ADS and are Chairmen of the various ACE/61 sub committees.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The MMSIG reports to the Engineering Standards Committee (ESC) on new or revised National Standards and International metallic material and process standards, including the relevant parts of Def.Stan 00-970 and 07-85; along with those standards that are being withdrawn and may impact on ADS Aerospace standards. A watching brief is also maintained on relevant activities associated with IHS ESDU.

To maintain and update as directed by the ESC the following ADS Technical Standards.
• TS95 ADS Recommendations for Metallic Material Specifications to be used for New Designs
• TS96 Metallic Materials – Table of Similar Specifications
• TS260 Metallic Materials – List of Alternative Material Standards only Authorised for use of ADS Standard parts

To provide a focus for domain stakeholder requirements, to the mutual benefit of all parties.

How do I join?
Please contact John Thacker by emailing: john.thacker@adsgroup.org.uk

Key roles
ADS Lead: John Thacker
Chairperson: Geoff Purdue, MBDA UK
NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (NDTSIG)

What is the NDTSIG?
The NDTSIG assists Member companies to promote and retain the highest levels of inspection proficiency and reliability in Aerospace Non-Destructive Testing (NDT), with optimum commercial efficiency.

What is the purpose of the Group?
To work towards harmonisation of NDT practices and procedures, reviewing on-going and new developments in Aerospace NDT, in all areas. The Group engages in correspondence to clarify issues and make representations to relevant organisations to protect the integrity of aerospace NDT when it is considered to be under threat.

The group provides a forum for any issues relating to NDT within the UK and gives warning of NDT issues that may affect the manufacture, operation, cost or safety of aircraft.

How do I join?
Please contact Sameer Savani by emailing: sameer.savani@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 1125

Key roles
ADS Lead: Sameer Savani
Chairman: Andy Bakewell, EM Inspection Co Ltd

NORTHERN IRELAND DEFENCE & SECURITY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (NIDSSIG)

What is the NIDSSIG?
The NIDSSIG is made up of Northern Ireland companies and organisations in the Defence and Security sectors.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The main purpose of the group is to grow the Defence and Security Industry in Northern Ireland.

How do I join?
Membership is open to ADS Members who have a presence in Northern Ireland. To join please contact Leslie Orr by emailing: leslie.orr@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 02890 468296

Key roles
ADS Lead: Leslie Orr
Chairman: Patricia O’Hagan, Core Systems
Vice Chairman: Stephen Wray, CSIT
NORTHERN IRELAND SPACE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (NISSIG)

What is the Northern Ireland Space Special Interest Group?
The NISSIG is made up of Northern Ireland companies and organisations with an interest in the Space sector.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The main purpose of the group is to grow the Space sector in Northern Ireland.

How do I join?
Membership is open to ADS Members who have a presence in Northern Ireland. To join contact Leslie Orr by emailing: leslie.orr@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 02890 468296

Key roles
ADS Lead: Leslie Orr
Chairman: Robert Hill, NI Space Office

SECURITY AND RESILIENCE NETWORK (SRN)

What is the SRN?
The SRN is a network of 130+ individuals within ADS Member companies who supply to the Security market. The SRN acts as a channel through which Members can receive news and information on Security policy and ADS activity within this area.

What is the purpose of the Group?
Members of the SRN benefit from a bespoke programme which supports industry’s crucial role in delivering Security and Resilience capability across the world. This programme includes two SRN steering meetings per annum, a programme of Security breakfast briefings with senior Government representatives and comprehensive news and updates on policy via email.

The SRN also has excellent links with the UK Security and Resilience Industry Suppliers Community (RISC) as well as strong links with Government stakeholders, offering Members the additional benefit of excellent networking opportunities.

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: Mark Phillips
Chairperson: Jane Cannon, MBE
What is SCEG?
SCEG was appointed as the UK Government’s industry partner for the regulation of private Security companies and providers on 21 June 2011. SCEG supports the Government in the transparent regulation and accreditation of companies which operate in the sector, promoting professional standards and industry best practice.

What is the purpose of the Group?
SCEG is governed by an Executive Committee made up of representatives from across the industry, from large multinationals to smaller specialists, and from the FCO. It has a non-Executive Chairman, selected by the Executive Committee, who has a strong track record within the industry, and a Director who is responsible for the day to day running of the Group.

To find out more about what the SCEG can do for you and your company, contact the SCEG Director, Paul Gibson by emailing: paul.gibson@adsgroup.org.uk or by calling: 07557 431288.

How do I join?
For an application form to join the SCEG please contact Katrine Gibson by emailing: katrine.gibson@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 1121

Please note this Group has additional fees.

Key roles
ADS Lead: Paul Gibson
ADS Secretary: Katrine Gibson
Chairperson: Andrew Farquhar, GW Consulting

What is the SEFG?
The SEFG was created to help ADS Members export more widely across world markets.
The UK is regarded as a centre of excellence in the field of police, military and Security products, as well as in consultancy and training, and a world leader in many of these areas. The SEFG provides UK businesses the opportunity to further enhance the UK’s exporting capability to positive effect.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The SEFG’s principal aim is to enhance the export performance of Member companies by providing a forum to assist in all export matters, introduce companies to new markets and develop the international events programme. The Group also provides excellent international networking opportunities with a programme of invited stakeholder events and is vital in assisting UK companies to maximise the effectiveness of UK Trade and Investment support.

How do I join the Group?
Please contact Ingrid Correa by emailing: ingrid.correa@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 7817

Key roles
ADS Lead: Ray Lee
ADS Secretary: Ingrid Correa
Chairperson: Stephen Read, Winkelmann (UK) Ltd
TRAINING AND SIMULATION INTEREST GROUP (TASIG)

What is TASIG?
TASIG replaced STAG and DTIG with a new broader multi-sector national and international focus on all aspects of training and simulation. It provides a proactive and relevant network of UK industrial expertise including MoD and DE&S personnel to influence and shape the global simulation and training environment and associated sectors.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The purpose of the Group is to raise awareness, inform, influence, engage and collaborate across all relevant Government and private sector stakeholders in training and simulation. This includes embassies at home and abroad, attachés, Government to Government contacts, the FCO, DfID and Front Line Commands.

It provides a UK and global business development, networking and learning environment and develops valuable and relevant relationships to increase the size, diversity and significance of the TASIG Group portfolio.

How do I join?
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or calling: 0207 091 7817

Key roles
ADS Lead: Willy Hockin
ADS Secretary: Ingrid Correa
Chairperson: Nigel Best, QinetiQ

TRANSPORT SECURITY GROUP (TSG)

What is the TSG?
The aim of the TSG is to act as a focal point in representing the interests of its Members to potential customers. This includes UK Government Departments, overseas Governments and other organisations concerned with the security of the aviation, maritime, rail and road security sectors. It also provides a conduit for disseminating information relating to business opportunities in these sectors.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The TSG provides:
• Business development opportunities for Members
• A gateway to the UK Security industry
• A focus for UK Government departments when seeking an industrial view on current issues and a focal point for industry to represent its views to HMG
• Forums in which Members and observers can discuss, in confidence, transport Security issues of mutual interest
• Opportunities for Members to participate in shared marketing activities e.g. exhibitions, conferences etc
• Opportunities for Members to hear from informed speakers on current and appropriate issues concerned with the transport Security environment

How do I join?
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Key roles
ADS Lead: James Taylor
Chair: John Brading, Raytheon
THE UNITED KINGDOM STRATEGIC INDUSTRIAL COLLABORATION GROUP (UKSICG)

What is the UKSICG?
The UKSICG provides offset and countertrade-related advice and assistance to companies.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The UKSICG is a strategic partnership between the British Government (HMG) and UK companies relating to Offset, Countertrade and Industrial Participation (IP)-type policy issues; as well as on the British Government’s own Industrial Engagement (IE) policy and the general cooperation in support of UK exports and retention of indigenous capability.
The UKSICG also seeks to provide advice and support to the Defence Suppliers Forum (DSF) and its supporting Groups, on Offset-type and IE matters.
Its overall objective is: “To establish offset policies and processes for dealing with them, nationally and internationally, that help to strengthen the UK’s own industrial base”.
This includes the promotion of greater awareness within UK industry and other stakeholders of the key issues arising from offset-like activities and policies, including visualisation of the offset process, and explanation of relevant terminology.

How do I join?
Complete and return the Membership application form which is available on request by emailing: brinley.salzmann@adsgroup.org.uk or calling: 0207 091 7822

Key roles
ADS Lead: Brinley Salzmann
Chair: Brinley Salzmann

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN DEFENCE FORUM (YPDF)

What is the YPDF?
The YPDF is a network of graduates and apprentices, each representing a different company in the UK Defence industry.

What is the purpose of the Group?
The YPDF is an opportunity for graduates and apprentices from across the industry to network, share their experiences and gain a wider understanding of the Defence sector, its future and their role in it.
Bringing together representatives from the industry, Ministry of Defence and Parliamentarians in seminars, workshops and social events, the Forum aims to promote the benefits of the industry to those embarking on their career whilst providing an opportunity for decision-makers to hear the challenges to the industry from its passionate young advocates.
The Forum meets quarterly with informative lectures, site visits and socials taking place throughout the year, helping your new starters engage and learn from the wider industry, either directly or through your company’s representative on the YPDF. The Forum’s collective thoughts and concerns are fed back, in the form of bi-annual papers, to the ADS Defence Sector Board and Small Companies Committee.

How do I join?
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Key roles
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