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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

AVALON 2021, the Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition, will feature a comprehensive program of international conferences, seminars and symposia, including the prestigious International Air Chiefs' Forum and the Defence and Industry Aerospace Conference.

The 2021 Australian International Airshow is a major aviation event for Australia and the Indo-Asia-Pacific region. Exhibitors, participants and attendees from across the world represent the very best of commercial, civil and military aviation.

In recognition of the benefit of the Airshow to the aviation community, there will be numerous specialist conferences, meetings and symposia convened in conjunction with the 2021 Airshow, on-site at Avalon Airport in the purpose-built Conference Centre.

PLEASE NOTE: To keep informed of updates and changes, we suggest regular visits to the Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition website.

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19th AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL AEROSPACE CONGRESS

The Australian Division of the Royal Aeronautical Society, in partnership with Engineers Australia, is co-hosting the 19th Australian International Aerospace Congress (AIAC19).

Australia's premier aerospace technology conference will be a congress of multiple aerospace technical conferences. Conference sessions will take place in Melbourne city on Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 February 2021 and on-site at the Avalon 2021 Airshow Conference Centre on Wednesday 24 and Thursday 25 February.

Information on speakers, topics and locations will be announced in due course on the Airshow Conference Program and AIAC 19 websites.

Attendance - Pre-registration is absolutely essential to participate in this Conference program.

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WORLD AIRPORTS CONFERENCE - CONFRONTING AVIATION SUSTAINABILITY IN A CHANGING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT



Airbiz is proud to announce a one-day must-attend Airshow event: World Airports Conference - Confronting Aviation Sustainability in a Changing Global Environment.

The world is at a sustainability crossroads, and all eyes are on aviation.

Pressure is growing for airports and airlines to increase efficiency, reduce waste and lower their carbon footprint. Social trends and environmental activism are also pressing the aviation industry to actively initiate sustainability programs and respond to the environmental concerns of the travelling public. How do we take action, minimize operational impacts, and thrive in this rapidly changing landscape?

This conference will guarantee you the latest insights from world acclaimed aviation industry and environmental experts, detailing the innovative ways that airports around the world are addressing the challenge of sustainability as we move into the future.

Join CEOs, directors, planning and environmental managers, and pilots for an accurate, up-to-date assessment of and discussion on global sustainable aviation programs.

For the full detailed program, refer to the Airshow website under the **Conferences** tab from early 2021.

Conference Chairman, Airbiz Managing Director and world-renowned aviation expert Greg Fordham invites you to join him for this exclusive one day conference.

As a registered delegate, you will receive a complimentary Trade Day Airshow entry ticket.

Limited registrations will be available. To register, email your name, title and affiliation to **info@airbiz.aero**

Attendance is free of charge.

The Conference will be convened on-site at the Avalon 2021 Airshow Conference Centre on Wednesday 24 February, 2021.

Registration for this Conference presents delegates with the opportunity to also attend some of the other on-site conferences and symposia convened in conjunction with the Airshow.

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AVIATION SAFETY FORUM

The FlySafe Aviation Safety Forum 2019 was a first for the Australian aviation community. Convened by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA), Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB) and Airservices Australia (AA), FlySafe represents a unique opportunity for all invited stakeholders from the Australian aviation industry to come together to address and confront safety-related issues.

To ensure relevance and currency, the FlySafe program structure and content are determined by CASA, ATSB and AA. It is intended that conference topics and presentations from select local and international aviation safety experts will relate directly to the total Australian aviation landscape.

Watch the Airshow website for further updated information:
www.airshow.com.au



Australian Government
Civil Aviation Safety Authority



Australian Government
Australian Transport Safety Bureau

ROTOR TALK 2021

At the 2019 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition, helicopter industry participants from around Australia, New Zealand and the Indo-Asia-Pacific region joined together to address and discuss common day to day operational issues. The conference, to be Chaired by AHIA President, Mr Ray Cronin, will highlight concerns and initiatives that have emerged since RotorTalk 2019 and RotorTech 2020.

The conference program will feature expert, experienced helicopter industry presenters from around the globe, covering a range of current topics and issues confronting helicopter owners and operators throughout Australia and the region.

Attendance is free of charge. Pre-registration will be essential. Regularly view the Airshow or Rotortech websites for updated information.

www.airshow.com.au

or

www.rotortech.com.au



INNOVATION PITCHFEST

The **AVALON 2021** Innovation Pitchfest is an opportunity for Australian innovators from industry, academia and Defence Science and Technology (DST) to 'pitch' a new product, technology or concept to an influential audience. Up to 30 innovators will be selected and trained by the Defence Science Institute (DSI) at the University of Melbourne to deliver a three-minute pitch to an audience of potential partners, peers, customers and venture capitalists.

The Pitchfest will take place on Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 February in a Theatre in the main exhibition hall. A panel of judges will award prizes after the second round of pitches for the Best Innovation, the Best Pitch and the Innovation that's Most Relevant to the Aerospace Domain.

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AVALON 2021 INNOVATION AWARDS

The **AVALON 2021** Innovation Awards are designed to recognise and reward Australian companies and individuals who are at the forefront of both military and commercial aviation, space and aerospace. Entries for the 2021 Innovation Awards will open in September 2020 and they will be presented on Wednesday 24 February at **AVALON 2021**. Ten Awards will be presented: six to Young Innovators, SMEs and National winners in both the civil and military domains; and four specialist category Awards.

The two winning SMEs will each receive a \$15,000 Innovation Grant while the two successful Young Innovators will each win a \$15,000 Innovation Scholarship. The winners of the National defence and civil innovation awards will be presented with trophies. The awards are open to Australian companies or the Australian subsidiaries of overseas parent companies, and the innovation could be anything from a new product or service to a new approach to business. Entries will be judged on originality and understanding of user needs.

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AUSTRALIAN AIRPORTS ASSOCIATION (AAA) VICTORIA DIVISION MEETING

This will be a full day AAA meeting convened by the Victorian Division. The AAA is a non-profit organisation founded in 1982 and represents the interests of over 270 airports Australia-wide from the local country community landing strips to the major international gateway airports.

The Charter of the AAA is to facilitate cooperation among all member airports and their many and varied partners in Australian aviation, whilst maintaining an air transport system that is safe, environmentally responsible and efficient for the benefit of all Australians.

The AAA has more than 100 Corporate Member partners providing goods and services to the aviation industry and airport sector. AAA is affiliated with Airports Council International (ACI), the umbrella organisation representing all airports throughout the world. It is anticipated that a delegation of ACI members from the Asia/Pacific Region will attend **AVALON 2021**.

For pre-registration and agenda, email the AAA Secretariat early 2021.

Email: events@airports.asn.au



AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION FOR UNMANNED SYSTEMS (AAUS) CONFERENCE

The AAUS is Australia's largest industry advocacy group for unmanned aviation systems. The AAUS represents unmanned systems across all three domains, land, sea and air. AAUS's objective is to promote a professional, safe and commercially viable unmanned systems industry.

AAUS focuses on facilitating awareness, integration and collaboration between industry, academia, government and defence.

AAUS offers its members a range of benefits and services. These include industry advocacy, representation, advice, networking opportunities, business promotional opportunities and discounted insurance, as well as high level representation with the various regulatory authorities.

The biennial conference held in conjunction with **AVALON 2021** is a marquee calendar event for the unmanned systems industry.

Pre-registration is essential.

For more details contact AAUS Executive Director, Greg Tyrrell-

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DEFENCE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (DST)

At **AVALON 2021** Defence Science & Technology (DST) will host a number of symposia and outreach activities, as well as being a major participant in the globally respected Australian International Aerospace Congress (AIAC) in both Melbourne and the **AVALON 2021** Conference Centre.

DST is the Department of Defence's science and technology authority and Australia's second-largest publicly funded research organisation. It is also the lead innovator and integrator for the Next Generation Technologies Fund (NGTF) and plays a vital role informing and shaping Defence's response to emerging threats and opportunities.

It works closely with the Centre for Defence Industry Capability (CDIC) and the Defence Innovation Hub under the Defence Industry and Innovation brand.

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AUSTRADE

The Asia Pacific region is still enjoying significant growth in defence and aviation. High levels of economic growth and technological development have resulted in growing demand for aviation and aerospace services, products and technology, right across the spectrum from general aviation to airlines, air forces and space.

To help Australian aerospace and defence companies reach out to this market, and to help facilitate links between them and their counterparts overseas, the Australian Trade and Investment Commission, Austrade, will once again be working closely with the Australian Defence Export Office, the Centre for Defence Industry Capability (CDIC), and Australia's civil aviation, space and aerospace sectors at **AVALON 2021**.

AVALON 2021 will again present a unique opportunity for Australian companies to work with Austrade to showcase products, technologies and services to an informed target audience and to demonstrate a marketing presence in this vibrant and vital region.

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CENTRE FOR DEFENCE INDUSTRY CAPABILITY (CDIC)

Australia's defence industry policy acknowledges the importance of local industry as a Fundamental Input to Defence Capability (FIC) and emphasises the contribution of innovative Small-to-Medium Enterprises (SMEs). To help strengthen and grow Australia's population of smart, agile SMEs, the CDIC will host a number of program sessions at **AVALON 2021**.

These sessions will be practical by design and focus on accessing domestic and international supply chain opportunities; the importance of building strong partnerships with both industry and government bodies; and opportunities for SMEs to strengthen their technological, marketing and management skills to enhance capability to supply to Defence.

CDIC business advisers and industry facilitators help Australian SMEs to access defence market opportunities, engage with the Defence innovation system, and build connections with defence supply chains of Australian and international businesses.

Initial inquiries should go to:
Centre for Defence Industry Capability
Email: **cdic@industry.gov.au**



AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS AVIATION ASSOCIATION (ABAA) & INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AVIATION COUNCIL (IBAC)

The ABAA is a non-profit organisation, originally established some years ago as the Australian Business Aircraft Association to act as a collective voice for the business aviation community in Australia and to assist its members in all aviation-related matters.

The ABAA is a member of the International Business Aviation Council (IBAC), headquartered in Montreal, Canada. The ABAA enjoys close ties with other business aircraft associations, such as the National Business Aviation Association Inc. located in Washington, DC.

One of the ABAA's main aims is to promote the aviation interests of persons, firms and corporations in Australia operating aircraft in connection with their businesses and to attain wider recognition of the fact that aviation activities of the ABAA membership are of primary importance to the domestic economy of Australia.

For more information contact ABAA Chief Executive, David Bell -
Email: **david.bell@flyabaa.com**



DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT, CITIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

International and domestic aviation connects Australians with each other and with the rest of the world. It is also central to the Australian economy.

The Australian Government, through the Department, contributes to the prosperity of the economy and the wellbeing of all Australians by fostering a viable, competitive and safe aviation industry.

The Department advises the Government on the policy and regulatory framework for Australian airports and the aviation industry, manages the administration of the Government's interests in privatised airports under the Airports Act 1996, and provides policy advice to the Minister on the efficient management of Australian airspace and on aircraft noise and emissions.

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development has, in many and varied ways, been a long-standing supporter of the Australian International Airshow. Its involvement is greatly appreciated by industry and demonstrates the collaborative leadership role played by departmental executives in addressing aviation and regional development regulatory issues.

We again welcome their support for the **AVALON 2021**.



Australian Government

**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Cities and Regional Development**

FLIGHT TEST SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA (FTSA) SYMPOSIUM

The Society was founded in 1987 to support and celebrate the achievements of the Australian flight test community.

The Society holds an annual symposium that serves as a forum for Australian flight test personnel to discuss recent activities and engage in the promotion of a professional, technically relevant and safe Australian flight test community.

The Society has affiliations with the Society of Experimental Test Pilots (SETP), the Society of Flight Test Engineers (SFTE) and the Royal Aeronautical Society. The membership is broad, including past and present personnel from Australian military flight test organisations, as well as members from Australia's leading universities and aerospace companies.

Expert presentations from the international flight test fraternity are usually a feature of the symposium convened in conjunction with the Airshow.

For more information and FTSA membership inquiries -
Email: secretary@ftsa.org.au



GROWING MRO BUSINESS IN THE INDO-ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

Currently there is an acute shortage of qualified LAMEs and AMEs in the Indo/Asia/Pacific aviation industry. There is little likelihood of that situation improving any time soon. Many educational institutions around Australia have curtailed their training courses for aviation specific engineers, and apprentice programs have come to a stand-still. This issue will significantly and adversely impact on the region's aviation operators within the very near future.

This Conference, featuring top-flight MRO experts from Australia and around the region, will examine in depth current MRO developments, equipment, training, regulatory obligations and impacts, and opportunities for more general MRO trans-border tasking. There will be no charge for attendance and participation at this Conference.

For further information:

Mr Ken Cannane, Executive Director
Aviation Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul Business Association
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EXPANDING TO THE USA?

INVESTMENT GUIDANCE FOR THE AUSTRALIA/ASIA/PACIFIC AEROSPACE AND DEFENCE INDUSTRIES.

Expand your business to the USA, the world's largest aerospace and defence market. Hear about the practical considerations of establishing a presence in the USA as well as investment incentives and recent success stories'.

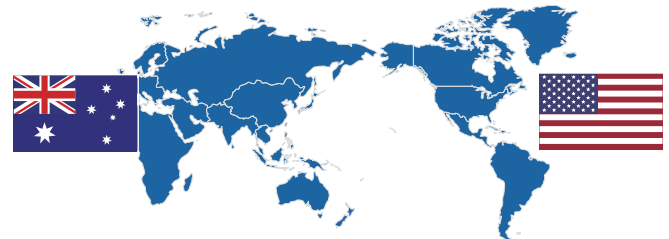
Key speakers and panelists will be drawn from the USA Government, USA States keen to attract new investment and private sector business advisors.

This is a unique half-day seminar covering key issues and opportunities for Australian and other international companies seeking to establish a presence in the USA

This fast-moving program will bring the USA to an Australian/Asia/Pacific business audience.

Attendance will be free of charge and for any early information, or to register interest, email the session facilitator:

Doug.Hartley@trade.gov



AUSTRALIAN SPACE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE 2021

The Australian Space Industry Conference 2021 will be organised by AMDA Foundation Limited in partnership with the Space Industry Association of Australia (SIAA).

Conference sessions will take place in Melbourne city and on-site at the Avalon 2021 Airshow Conference Centre.

It will be designed for operators and industry professionals, government officials, and users of space-enabled services and technology, focussing on opportunities for business development. It will address the needs of two key sectors: the space industry itself, comprising companies involved in space launch, satellite construction, satellite control and communications with both manned and unmanned space vehicles; and the space-enabled industry which depends upon a secure, reliable and robust service that delivers satellite communications and space-based surveillance and earth observation.

Information on speakers, topics and locations will be announced in due course on the Airshow Conference Program website.

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THE AUSTRALIAN AVIATION ASSOCIATIONS FORUM (TAAAF) MEMBERS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

TAAAF is the umbrella organisation providing a forum for all of Australia's aviation industry associations to meet regularly on an informal basis to identify and discuss common issues of an operational and regulatory nature.

Almost every significant aviation-related association is a member and TAAAF functions on a non-partisan, apolitical basis to advance and promote all Australian aviation interests without in any way impinging on their sectorial independence. It is not the role of TAAAF to advance in the public domain any issues of contention, unless all members are in unanimous agreement that the interests of the industry would be best served by a formal over-arching statement.

This is the fourth time a General Assembly has been convened and individual members of all TAAAF member associations are invited to attend. No pre-registration is necessary. TAAAF looks forward to welcoming its broader membership base.

The Assembly will be Chaired by Mr Geoff Boyd. Email:

secretariat@taaaf.org

TAAAF Membership is represented by the following associations-





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