Press Release

INCOSE UK Council Appointment

The INCOSE UK Council is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms Kirsty Akroyd-Wallis as President Elect of INCOSE UK.

Kirsty is a Systems Engineer with over 20 years of experience in Engineering and is an active member of INCOSE UK. She is a former chair of the INCOSE UK Advisory Board, has led a number of working groups and been an active participant in others. Kirsty is active in encouraging INCOSE UK Members to pursue their careers in Systems Engineering by mentoring individuals who are looking to gain professional registration status and certification as a Systems Engineer.

In her personal statement, Kirsty said ‘In taking on the role of President Elect, I will be looking to help the development of stronger membership engagement and encourage greater diversity with INCOSE UK, with the goal of delivering a high standard of benefits to all’.

Dr Paul Hacker, Head of Systems Capability MBDA UK says: “MBDA are delighted that Kirsty has been appointed as President Elect for INCOSE UK. Kirsty’s many years of support to various INCOSE UK working groups and publications, coupled with her role as an experienced Systems Technical Expert within MBDA provide an excellent opportunity for the continued development of world-class Systems Engineering practice within both of our organisations.”

Ivan Mactaggart, President of INCOSE UK stated that the Council were looking forward to welcoming Kirsty to her first Council meeting as President Elect and working with her going forward.

The remaining members of the INCOSE UK Council are:

- President: Ivan Mactaggart
- Finance Director: Philip Savvides
- Technical Director: Jon Holt
- Immediate Past President: Richard Beasley
- Professional Development Director: Ian Presland
- Events Director: Ian Gibson
- Academic & Education Director: Duncan Kemp
- Communications Director: Hazel Woodcock
- UK Advisory Board Chair: David Venn
- Company Secretary: Emma Jane Taylor

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Notes to Editors

INCOSE UK

The UK Chapter of the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE), with over 1000 individual and 37 corporate members, exists primarily to serve UK-specific needs and is a key chapter within INCOSE. It has strong links with other UK institutions and it plays a prominent role in both the domestic and the international scenes. It holds one conference and one training day each year, has active regional, working and special interest groups and publishes a variety of guides and other products tailored for UK members. Despite its focus on UK-specific needs, the UK Chapter attracts members from territories around the globe.

The ‘flavour’ of Systems Engineering most prevalent in the UK has developed into an open and inclusive practice that facilitates the application of systems thinking and Systems Engineering principles in domains outside of the traditional domains of defence and aerospace. In recent years, the membership of INCOSE UK has widened significantly from its roots, expanding to include domains such as transportation - particularly rail - energy, civil engineering, space, medicine, and security.

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