



CALL FOR PAPERS – DEADLINE EXTENDED

Weapon Systems and Technology for Enduring Campaigns – Classified Conference

Wednesday 24 – Thursday 25 November 2010

MoD Shrivenham

Synopsis

Enduring Campaigns are a feature of warfare and in this context mean those operations that require a sustained, long-term presence of a military force in order to assist a country to achieve an acceptable end state. Examples include the conflict in Gaza, Sri Lanka's Tamil Tiger conflict, the war in Darfur, cocaine trading in Colombia, UK troubles in Northern Ireland and the US and NATO operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. It could be said that recent Planning Assumptions didn't account for enduring campaigns.

Today's enduring peace-keeping and policing campaigns are recognised, by definition, as those worth the outcome. Typically, the investment to 'make a stand' comes from a participating nation's defence budget or special funding. But, especially when defence budgets shrink and other economic pressures prevail, the investment in enduring campaigns is scrutinised. Reasons for the extension of campaigns are examined. Emphasis is placed on achieving the end-goals of the campaign, but often the available prosecution methods prove less effective than initially expected.

What technologies can be developed or transferred to these enduring campaigns to address expectations, or can be brought to bear after campaigns take unexpected turns?

Instructions to Authors

Unclassified abstracts of 200 - 500 words typed and double spaced on A4 paper should be submitted **by Friday 30th April 2010**. Selection will be made on the abstract content and applicability to the final published programme requirement.

Accepted scripts and presentations, fully cleared for publication and presentation should be submitted **by Friday 8th October 2010**.

All written papers will be included in the CD Conference Proceedings and made available to delegates.

Please note that papers should not have been published previously and that they should avoid marketing or sales content, neither of which is appropriate for conferences held by the Royal Aeronautical Society.

All speakers must hold the necessary government security clearance.

In order to address these questions, a two-day classified conference is being organised by the Royal Aeronautical Society's Weapon Systems and Technology Specialist Group. Papers are invited to discuss the issues associated with weapon systems and technologies for enduring campaigns.

Subjects could cover:

- Historical Lessons
- Coping with shrinking defence budgets
- Stockpile management issues
- UAV/Airships for ISTAR
- Military and economic impact of adding weapons to long-endurance ISTAR
- Time critical targeting/sensor-to-shooter
- Battle support during peacekeeping/policing
- Countering Improvised Explosive Devices
- Mine detection
- Non-lethal or low-collateral methods

The Weapon Systems & Technologies specialist group of the Royal Aeronautical Society calls for classified papers with relevance to the field of Enduring Campaigns. The various topics previously listed provide suggestions for themes although other relevant material would be considered.

For more information visit www.aerosociety.com/conference

Key Dates & Deadlines

Abstracts Submitted by:	EXTENDED ^{30TH} April 2010
Notifications to Authors:	May/ June 2010
Programme Circulation:	31 st August 2010
Full papers submitted	8 th October 2010
Conference	24 th -25 th November 2010

Please send abstracts (Quoting ref: 645) to:

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Organising Committee

This conference is being organised by the Royal Aeronautical Society's Weapon Systems & Technology Group. The Conference Committee responsible for planning the programme comprises:

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- Paul Schuricht
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- John Pearce
- Cliff Waldwyn
- David Pengilly
- John Walton

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Exhibition space will be available for material related to the Conference in addition to opportunities for insertion of corporate material into the delegate packs. For more information or to discuss these packages, please contact the Conference & Events Department at the address below.

Attendance

Attendance is open ONLY to personnel holding the necessary SECURITY CLEARANCE from the Ministry of Defence, representing the UK Defence Industry, Government Agencies, Ministry of Defence and Universities working in the field.

Attendance for speakers is free of charge. Delegate charges will range from UK £125 - £550 plus VAT for a 2 day conference and will be published in the printed programme. Special rates may be negotiated for groups and early bookings.

Secretariat

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