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INCOSE UK NEWS

INCOSE in the News



Following the recent “interesting times” at Heathrow Terminal 5, BBC’s Newsnight ran a feature on the difficulties inherent in building large complex systems. BBC contacted INCOSE and asked for an expert to join Heinz Wolff and talk to Gavin Essler as part of the feature.

Allen Fairbairn responded to the request and took part in an interesting discussion. The programme is available on BBC’s iPlayer for the next few days: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/page/item/b009ny9v.shtml> (wind forward to 18 mins 25 seconds for the start of the article). Well done Allen for making himself available at short notice and flying the SE flag.

Registration Now Open for International Symposium

Registration for the INCOSE Symposium in the Netherlands in June is now open. Visit the website at <http://www.incose.org/symp2008/> now for more information and to book your place (registration is via the link in the menu on the left of the page).



INCOSE UK Continues to Grow in Strength



New heights have been reached for individual membership as we recently sailed through 700 members.



In addition, the formal signing of AWE on March 18th brings UKAB membership up to a total of 22.

Contributions for Next Preview: 1st May Deadline

The Early Summer edition of our quarterly newsletter, Preview, is due out towards the end of May / beginning of June. All contributions are welcome and should be sent to the Editor at malcolmg@obsigroup.uk.com before 1st May. Give Malcolm a call on 01582 713737 if you have an idea and want to discuss it before committing fingers to keyboard.



EVENTS DIARY

- 26 Apr 08 **Systems Thinking Workshop**
This workshop at the University of Bristol will share different perspectives on systems thinking and bring together systems thinkers from different industries. The aim is to produce a statement on the future directions and challenges for researchers and practitioners through to 2030. If interested contact joanna.allsop@bristol.ac.uk.
- 22 May 08 **INCOSE UK 1 Day Event in Midlands: Technology Lifecycle Management**
Venue: SEIC & CEMMNT facilities at Loughborough, UK. Event will address issues relating to technologies in the context of product and services lifecycles: insertion, maturity and obsolescence. (Registration is from <http://www.incoseonline.org.uk/>.)
- 28 May 08 **Programme Management in a Systems Engineering Environment**
INCOSE UK Bristol Local Group, in association with the APM.
Details: www.incose.org.uk/bristol.htm.
- 11 Jun 08 **BCS: Scenarios and Use Cases**
At City University, London. Information from the BCS: www.resg.org.uk/events.html.
- 15 to
19 Jun 08 **Systems Engineering for the Planet**
The eighteenth International Symposium of the International Council on Systems Engineering will be held 15-19 June 2008 in the Netherlands. Details and registration: <http://www.incose.org/symp2008/>.
- 16 Jul 08 **F111 Case Study Workshop**
INCOSE UK Bristol Local Group, UWE, Bristol. Details: www.incose.org.uk/bristol.htm.

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