



Seeking Written Feedback for Budget 2021

The partnership between Government, Trade Associations and Chambers, and businesses is more critical than ever. In this spirit, the Ministry of Finance (MOF) is seeking industry feedback for Budget 2021.

AAIS is collecting inputs on behalf of Singapore-based Aerospace, Aviation and related businesses. We seek your views on the following:

- 1) What should be the priorities for government policy and support?
- 2) Do you/ your organisation have specific ideas or proposals?

Possible topics could include sustaining businesses through a prolonged crisis, investing in industry capabilities, positioning for recovery and the future, addressing new opportunities, building back better, aircraft leasing, supply chain, sustainability, etc.

Pls email covidtaskforce@aaiss.org.sg by 30 Sep 2020. We intend to follow up with Focus Group Discussions in October, culminating in final submission to MOF before 30 Oct 2020. Please book your time for Tue 6 Oct at 10.30am and a special session on Thu 8 Oct at 10.30am for SMEs.

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New Work-Study Diploma for RSAF NSFs

The Institute of Technical Education (ITE) and the Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) have launched a new Work-Study Diploma (WSDip) in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering. This is the first WSDip programme for NSFs – which allows them to work as Air Force Technicians, serve their National Service, and attain a Diploma at the same time.

Under a Memorandum of Understanding signed on 22 September, ITE and RSAF will be collaborating with AAIS, SIA Engineering Company, ST Engineering Aerospace to develop the training curriculum for the programme. Graduates of the programme may sign on as regulars or pursue career opportunities in aircraft maintenance in the aerospace industry.



[New programme for ITE graduates to earn a diploma while serving NS as airforce technicians](#)

The Straits Times

[More on WSDip \(ITE\)](#)

Industry Dialogue with Govt Agencies & Union

With the impact of COVID-19 to the air transport industry expected to last for some time, aerospace companies have been exploring ways to retain core capabilities, upskill their workforce, and reposition for the eventual recovery and upturn. To help members learn more about initiatives made available to help companies in the aerospace sector upskill their workers, AAIS organised a closed-door Industry Dialogue with government agencies and union representatives on 9 September 2020.

Representatives from the Economic Development Board (EDB), SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG), and Workforce Singapore (WSG) shared on manpower support initiatives including the new [Enhanced Training Support Package for Aerospace](#) and the [Aerospace Professional Conversion Programme](#). The National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) covered [Best practices for managing excess manpower and responsible retrenchment](#) and the Employment and Employability Institute (e2i) shared about [Outplacement support](#). We thank all the government and union representatives for their time and beneficial sharing.

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First Virtual Networking Session for Members

AAIS organised our first Virtual Networking session on 17 September 2020! Held in place of our traditional quarterly HOST Networking sessions, this web-based event provided the opportunity for members of the aerospace and UAS communities to meet and reconnect while in the comfort and safety of their own spaces. The event kicked off with a brief keynote on “The Agile Approach in COVID-19 times” by Ms Regina Chua, Chief Agile Designer at DD Consulting. Participants then joined break out rooms to network and share their thoughts on the Agile mindset and what it would mean for their organisations.

We thank Regina and all members for making our first Virtual Networking session a bustling and thought-provoking one! We welcome members and the community to join us for the next Virtual Networking in December.

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UPCOMING INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES



PRI Qualification: Shaping the Aerospace Workforce of the Future

Invitation by the Singapore Aerospace Quality Group

There is a critical shortfall of qualified special process personnel in the aerospace industry, as well as a skills gap created by an increasingly globalized workforce. This has increased pressure on all organisations to reduce the time required to train new personnel and ensure adequate standards of competency at all levels. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the aerospace industry is likely to now amplify these issues as in highly skilled and experienced personnel move on from the industry.

Join the Performance Review Institute (PRI), Collins Aerospace, AAIS, and other industry stakeholders for this event to learn more about the PRI Qualification Program.

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SSIA Summit 2020

Opportunities for the Semiconductor Industry in the Digitalisation Era

The global semiconductor market has remained largely resistant to the widespread economic disruptions caused by COVID-19. In Singapore, semiconductors is one of the largest industries within the manufacturing sector, accounting for 11 per cent of the global market share. Fuelled by fresh and resilient demand driven by new applications from the 5G market, cloud storage, data centres, artificial intelligence, autonomous and electric vehicles, the sector is expected to grow to over US\$58.5 billion by 2023.

Join this 2-day Summit, organised by the Singapore Semiconductor Industry Association (SSIA) for insightful discussions on the increasing global demand for automation and digitalization in the semiconductor industry. Learn about future trends, and how companies can seize new opportunities in this growing sector.

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AAIS 18th Annual General Meeting

In view of the ongoing pandemic, the 18th Annual General Meeting for the Association of Aerospace Industries (Singapore) will be held by electronic means on 29 October 2020 at 10.30am. We will adopt the measures set forth in the COVID 19 (Temporay Measures) (Alternative Arrangements for Meetings for Registered Societies) Order 2020. Official notice and relevant papers will be disseminated to Main and Alternate Reps of member companies soon. Please [log into your account](#) to verify your membership data and save the date.

AS 9100:2016 Internal Auditor Course

Date: 22 & 23 October 2020
Type: Classroom Training

The industry has moved towards requiring subcontractors and suppliers to be AS 9100 compliant and/or certified. By being certified and conforming to the standard, suppliers can gain a competitive advantage and benefit from the improved processes and continuous improvement that is the foundation of ISO 9001 certified Quality Management Systems. Gain a comprehensive understanding on the audit process and the skills to undertake effective audits within your organisation .

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Singapore Airworthiness Requirements (SAR) Part 21

Date: 26 & 27 October 2020
Type: Classroom Training

This course will discuss, in general terms, the legal and regulatory system as defined in Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) Singapore Airworthiness Requirements Part 21. It will address the CAAS Design and Production approval process and under which conditions a Supplemental Type Certificate and an Singapore Technical Standard Order is to be issued by CAAS. The classification of changes and repairs, and respective approving organisations will be explained.

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Fundamentals of AQMS (Aero Quality Management System)

Date: 26 to 28 October 2020
Type: Classroom Training

This course provides an introduction to the AQMS with reference to aviation regulations and aerospace customer requirements and expectations. Best practices in the aerospace industries will be discussed and extracted, and practical implementation for a quality management system explored. Find out about improving and creating an effective Quality Management System addressing Quality Escapes, Human Factors, Risks and Quality Costs.

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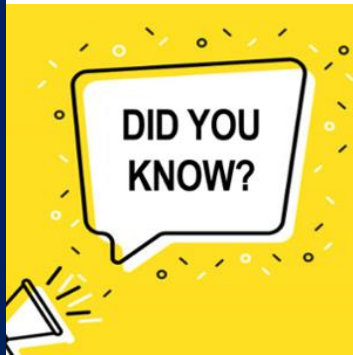
Certified Quality Engineer for Aerospace (CQEA)

Date: From 3 November 2020
Type: Classroom Training

This course aims to equip participants with a complete set of tools and techniques for control and improvement of product quality, reliability and safety. It covers aspects pertaining to the implementation of an effective quality control system as well as experimental design for investigation and quality improvement. The course also covers management planning, inspection and testing to achieve reliable and safe products to customer specifications.

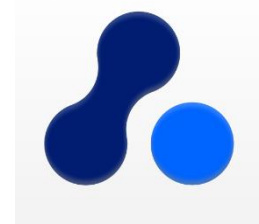
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