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**"Solving Aerospace Challenges in  
Today's Global Environment:  
Bell Helicopter's R&D Strategy"**

**Guest Presenter:**

**Vince D'Arienzo**

**Director, Engineering Operations  
Bell Helicopter Textron**

Dallas-Ft. Worth Chapter

Thursday, January 14, 2016

Registration, Breakfast & Networking: 7:00-7:30am

Meeting: 7:30-9:00am

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\$40 - Non-member after January 7

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## "Solving Aerospace Challenges in Today's Global Environment: Bell Helicopter's R&D Strategy"

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Vince will discuss Bell Helicopter's approach with respect to North American Aerospace reduction in R&D funding and lack of skill sets entering today's aerospace industry. He will describe a program format to help focus our industry's R&D effort towards a common pre-competitive approach in the aerospace industry. Some successes will be highlighted based on Colleges, Government, Industry, and Universities cost sharing and partnering.

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### January 14, 2016 Meeting

- Attire is business casual.
- Parking is free - located in front of the building.
- Please check-in on arrival.
- Bring a business card - they will be duplicated and copies of all attendee's cards will be available at the end of the meeting.
- Flyers and other material may be placed on the table designated for that purpose for pickup before and after the meeting. Please do not distribute anything during the meeting.
- Introductions will be minimal - your

## Guest Presenter

### Vince D'Arienzo



Vince D'Arienzo is currently Director, Engineering Operations, at Bell Helicopter Textron. As such he is responsible for the following areas: Eng design tools [ie: ENOVIA, CATIA, etc], Project Engineering, Systems Eng, Materials & Process Eng and Labs, Manufacturing Research and Development.

Vince was a Technical Fellow responsible for the health of this discipline and the technology roadmap, ensuring that new technology is being evaluated and developed to a level of readiness for implementation on Bell's helicopters or tilt-

rotors.

Vince has worked on many development programs and production support, including the development of new materials with suppliers and other OEMs such as Boeing and Lockheed Martin, such as the present BMI materials used today in most aircraft including our helicopters and the recently developed US jet fighters.

Vince was Chief of Materials & Process group and Labs comprising of engineers and technicians in the fields of metallurgy and non metallic materials. The tasks were for Bell's facilities and internationally: R & D, design, analysis, quality control, production support, supplier integration, sub-contractor support, and customer support.

In his younger years he was a pit mechanic on motorcycle race teams, Yamaha and Honda; which led to design/analysis and manufacture of different components of race motorcycles and cars, including Indy and F1.

## Upcoming A&D Forum Chapter Meetings

**"The Super Supply Chain is Coming"**, Gavin Brown, Executive Director, Michigan Aerospace Manufacturing Association, Orange County Chapter, Jan 7 (webstreamed)

**"Lessons Learned in A&D Sales & Marketing"**, Panel, Jason Childs, Esterline Technologies, David Conrad, Zodiac Aerospace, Jon Chakerian, Aerospace Engineering Corp., South Bay Chapter, January 13

**"Exploring the Business of Space"**, Panel, San Diego Chapter,

name, company, industry, and a 5 word "elevator speech". We encourage you to be creative!

- You are welcome to stay around and network and have refreshments after the meeting.

**Feel free to pass this invitation on to others you think would be interested.**

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University of Texas at Arlington Research Institute (UTARI)  
7300 Jack Newell Blvd S  
Fort Worth, TX 76118**

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January 19 (Evening)

**Tour of General Atomics UAV Flight Test Facility**, Palmdale, CA, Los Angeles Chapter (US citizens only), January 22

### **Recently Available Recordings on the A&D Forum website**

**"Aerospace can be Fun"**, Lt. Col. (Ret) Bill Gregory, Former NASA Astronaut, Advanced Instructor Pilot, Aviation Performance Solutions LLC, Arizona Chapter, November 10, 2015

**"Launching the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Program"**, Edward G. Linhart, Former Vice President of Global Production, Lockheed Martin, Dallas-Ft. Worth Chapter, November 12, 2015

**"Life in the Universe and the Breakthrough Initiatives"**, Pete Worden, former Director NASA Ames Research Center and currently Chairman for the Breakthrough Prize Foundation, Los Angeles Chapter, November 20

**"UK's Harwell Space Cluster: Why you need to be there!"**, Steve Ringler, Oxfordshire Space Cluster Development Manager, UK Science Technology and Facilities Council, Orange County Chapter, December 3

**"Aviation Provides a Roadmap for Where Space is Headed"**, John H. (Jay) Gibson, II, President, CEO, XCOR Aerospace, Inc., Dallas-Ft. Worth Chapter, December 10

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