

# **SCAF Workshop**

## **“Affordable Defence”**

**Tuesday 24th November 2009**  
**BAWA Centre, Filton, Bristol**

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## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

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Maintaining a defence capability within the current financial climate is both a dilemma and a challenge. The need to provide security is expensive therefore mapping the most cost-effective force structure with budgets and equipment procurement is of paramount importance.

The defence budget as well as other Government spending is coming under intense pressure and scrutiny. Strategies that were agreed several years ago are still impinging on current spending. Cost growth in defence equipment is well ahead of inflation due to necessity to gain a technological advantage.

The question of “Can the UK afford its Armed Forces?” is not an esoteric thought. It begs the debate on:

- ◇ How much do we need to spend for defence?
- ◇ How much can we afford to spend?
- ◇ Can we reduce the cost of defence by changing the way we do things?

Presentations are invited on the following topics:

**Cost-Capability Trade off Analysis**  
**Strategic Cost Forecasting & Affordability Analysis**  
**Design to Cost/Decision Analysis**  
**Cost Benefit Analysis**  
**Portfolio Analysis**  
**Risk Analysis**  
**Cost Methodologies & Applications**  
**Through Life Management and Support Strategies**

This is a great opportunity to demonstrate your expertise and contribute to the advancement of the profession.

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### **Deadline**

Please let us know if you plan on submitting a paper and what your planned topic will be no later than 14th August 2009. Forward details to Max Murray-Brooks at [mmbrooks@dstl.gov.uk](mailto:mmbrooks@dstl.gov.uk) or call 01252-455839.

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The Society for Cost Analysis and Forecasting was formed in September 1984 following a recognition of the need for a forum where those with interests and experience in cost analysis could meet and discuss problems and techniques.

The formation was the initiative of the UK members of the International Society of Parametric Analysts with the support of the Ministry of Defence and The Royal Aeronautical Society. Due to the background and experience of the founder members, the Society has tended towards defence oriented industries, however, it is the intention to cover as broad a field as possible.

The objects of the Society are to promote the best interests of its members and to improve and disseminate knowledge of cost analysis and forecasting methods. SCAF is a not-for-profit organisation and has no political affiliations or commercial bias but encourages sponsorship by organisations with declared mutual interest.

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Please accept notification that I plan to submit a paper for the Workshop on “Affordable Defence” being held on 24th November 2009 at the BAWA Centre, Filton, Bristol.

Title of Paper:.....

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