Introduction

The Inaugural International Institute of Obsolescence Management (IIOM) Conference & Exhibition is being held in Edinburgh, Scotland on 16th to 18th June 2015.

IIOM intends to carry on the great work that COG has accomplished in the past 17 years and enhance it by creating a professional body for those involved, or interested in, Obsolescence Management. The Institute will be for professionals who are dedicated to furthering their knowledge and understanding of Obsolescence Management.

This conference is the first to showcase the IIOM and to position the institute as THE organisation to represent Obsolescence Management practitioners worldwide.

Much of the Obsolescence Management activity up to now has concentrated on analysing and mitigating the risk to electronic parts. This has been the main focus, quite rightly, as there is a clear risk from these types of parts. Today, however, many organisations are now managing multiple types of parts, electronic and non-electronic. Software, materials, tools, processes and skills amongst others, are all areas where pro-active Obsolescence Management is a key activity.

Also, Obsolescence Management is not just an engineering function, or a procurement activity, it crosses the boundary of many sections of a business. To recognise this, the theme for the conference will be:

**OBsolescence – everythings affected; everyones involved**

The event will consist of a workshop, two day conference and exhibition. It will provide ample opportunity to network with key industry personnel with its full social programme.

Location

The 1st IIOM Conference will be held in the magnificent city of Edinburgh, Scotland. When it comes to inspirational cities, few can rival Edinburgh. The blend of UNESCO World Heritage architecture and world-class entertainment make Edinburgh a breath-taking city in which to have a conference.

With world-class hotels and venues, an international airport only eight miles from the city, good road and rail links and a compact city centre with almost everything within walking distance, it's easy to see why Edinburgh has earned its place as the world's most popular UK conference city after London.

Our main conference will be held in the Assembly Rooms, a unique, premier venue in the heart of Edinburgh’s new town offering unrivalled service and impressive, versatile spaces which will be perfect for our event. The exhibition space and conference venue are right next to each other which will allow maximum value for any branding and exhibition opportunities.

http://www.assemblyroomsedinburgh.co.uk/
Exhibitor

A trade exhibition will be held in the Assembly Rooms, adjacent to the conference venue. Conference refreshments, including lunches, will be taken in this area, maximising the opportunity for exhibitors and delegates to interact. Full details of the trade exhibition attached to the conference are included in the exhibition registration document which will be available on-line at www.cog.org.uk or by contacting IIOM Conference Administration at conference@cog.org.uk

Sponsorship Opportunities

There are a number of sponsorship opportunities available for organisations to enhance their visibility at the conference. This is a great way to raise profile and be recognised as an official event sponsor. Please contact IIOM Conference Administration on 01727 876029 for further details, or click here to download the Sponsorship document.

Networking Opportunities

The value of networking within a relaxed atmosphere has been recognised in the selection of the conference venues. There will be a welcome reception on the evening of 16th June 2015 at The Caves (a unique venue that makes up the sub-structure of the 18th Century South Bridge). Delegates will have the opportunity to network with other delegates whilst listening to the live band and enjoying traditional Scottish food.

The George Hotel will host our Gala Dinner and Award night on the 17th June 2015 in the magnificent Kings Hall. This grand evening will begin with delegates being piped into The Kings Hall for a four course dinner and wine. This provides a great opportunity to invite guests.

Partner Package

For those of you who wish to bring partners to the event, the partner package includes the Welcome Reception and the Gala Dinner. This central Edinburgh location offers great opportunities to explore the city attractions, shops and cafés on foot.

Tourism

Take this opportunity to extend your trip and admire stunning scenery, striking architecture and first-class attractions. Uncover some fantastic shopping opportunities and discover why Edinburgh is the world’s festival capital and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Further details of tourist attractions can be found on-line at www.visitscotland.com/edinburgh
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Workshop 1 - A Guide to Pro Active Obsolescence Management

Obsolescence issues continue to be an ever-growing problem throughout the manufacturing industry. The advantages of lower cost and increasing functionality are accompanied by shorter device life cycles and design for cost, not long life. The challenges posed by these changes can occur in any area of the modern product – device selection at the design stage, data storage for through life support, software skills, processes and tools for product improvement – the list goes on. Users are increasingly finding that whilst they are not unobtainable, the costs and lead times are increasing rapidly as fewer users require the high specifications demanded by use in demanding environments.

This workshop deals with the basics of obsolescence and to how these issues can be managed. Early planning allows obsolescence to be addressed to minimise the business disruption and limit the associated costs. It encompasses information on issues that drive manufactures to end life and obsolescence tools that can assist with obsolescence prediction.

Provisional Programme

09:30 Welcome
09:40 An Introduction to Obsolescence - Ian Davies, AWE
10.20 Market Drivers for Semiconductor Manufacturers - Peter Marston, Rochester Electronics
11.00 Coffee Break
11.20 Obsolescence – A Through Life Approach - Rob Hammond, GEIP
12.00 Obsolescence Monitoring Tools and Integration into the Business - TBC
12.40 Lunch
13.30 Managing Obsolescence Without In-House Resource - Joey Revette, AVCOM
14.10 Team Exercise Discussion Session and Q&A
15.30 Lessons Learned and Wrap up
15.45 Close

Workshops 1 and 2 are both full day workshops and will run concurrently.
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Workshop 2 - Managing Obsolescence in Legacy In-Service Equipment

Obsolescence is inevitable. It affects each and every product and its incidence has always been a significant factor in whole life planning. However, provisions considered adequate just a few years ago may fail to meet the demands of the current economic climate. Technology is advancing at an unprecedented rate and the marketplace is changing. Obsolescence timescales, once measured in decades, are now much shorter; just a few months in some cases.

Established, previously reliable, sources are disappearing and it’s not unusual to find that spare parts and servicing are no longer available. Maintainers struggle to satisfy the requirements of their internal and external end-users. And it’s up to us, the Obsolescence Management professionals, to be both inventive and innovative and provide solutions for this problem.

This workshop will give an insight into the requirements of an end user and then give detailed case studies from the rail industry, nuclear industry and aerospace industry giving their insight for handling the obsolescence issues, including options for retaining a supply of parts, materials and services in order to sustain the performance of legacy equipment.

Provisional Programme

09:30 Welcome
09:35 Managing Obsolescence in Legacy Equipment - A Customer’s Perspective - TBC
10.25 Alstom Case Study - Stuart Broadbent, Alstom
11.15 Coffee Break
11.35 Sellafield Legacy Support Case Study - Graeme Rumney, Sellafield
12.25 Lunch
13.10 Managing Obsolescence in Legacy Equipment: A Suppliers View
    David Shields, Thales Aerospace UK
14.00 Team Exercise
15.20 Discussion Session and Q&A
15.45 Close

Workshops 1 and 2 are both full day workshops and will run concurrently.
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09.00  Conference Opens
09.10  Event Sponsor Welcome – IHS Global Limited
09.30  Keynote Presentation

Session One – Practical Experience
10.10  Managing Obsolescence in a Typical ‘Contract for Availability’ in the Naval Domain. Martin Call, BAE Systems Maritime Services
10.40  Break
11.40  Cost Modelling is a Critical Requirement for Managing Obsolescence. David Williams, Through Life Support Ltd
12.10  A Real Options Approach to Quantity and Cost Optimization for Lifetime and Bridge Buys of Parts. Peter Sandborn, CALCE University of Maryland
12.40  Lunch

Session Two - Material Issues and Counterfeits
13.40  Supply Sourcing Resilience David Young, Atkins
14.10  REACH – Managing the Material Obsolescence Consequences Terry Rees-Pedlar, BAE Systems Munitions
14.40  Mitigating Against Counterfeit and Grey Market Components Mark Atton, EDIF ERA
15.10  Break
15.40  A Semiconductor Manufacturers Perspective on Obsolescence and Counterfeiting Peter Marston, Rochester Electronics
16.10  Conflict Minerals and Obsolescence. Scott Wilson, IHS Global Limited
16.40  Session Close
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09.00 Conference re-opens

Session Three – Management Perspectives

09.10  Procurement Life Cycle - Margaret Gilbert, Corporate Contracts Management Ltd
09.40  Obsolescence Management – a Communication Topic - Dr Christian Gerber, Siemens AG
10.10  Software Obsolescence Management Processes and Methodologies
       Timothy J Zitkevitz, Lockheed Martin MST Global Sustainment
10.40  Break

11.10  The Spectrum of DMSMS Part Management Activities
       Tracy Daubenspeck, NAVSEA NUWC
11.40  Software Obsolescence Cost Analysis Framework - Sanathanan Rajagopal
       Cranfield University
12.10  Discussion Group led by Stuart Kelly, IIOM Chairman
12.40  Lunch

Session Four - Technical Strategies

13.40  Recovery of ICs for Reuse as an Obsolescence Solution - Tony Boswell, Retronix
14.10  The Role of 3D Printing in Replacing Obsolete Parts - A Case Study
       Graham Bennett, 3D Systems
14.40  A Risk-based Approach for Prioritizing Obsolescence Management for Structural,
       Mechanical, and Electrical Items in Conjunction with Electronics
       Dr Jay Mandelbaum, Institute for Defense Analyses
15.10  Break
15.20  Augmented Reality Based Visualisation for Managing Obsolescence Risks
       Prof John Erkoyuncu, Cranfield University
15.50  Closing Remarks
16.00  Conference Closes
## Conference Registration Fees

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**Conference Delegate & Speaker fee includes:-**
- 16 June 2015 - Conference Welcome Reception including food.
- 17 June 2015 - Conference Sessions, Lunch & Drinks Reception & Gala Dinner.
- 18 June 2015 - Conference Sessions & Lunch.

**Workshop & Conference fee includes:-**
- 16 June 2015 - Workshop attendance including Lunch & Conference Welcome Reception including food.
- 17 June 2015 - Conference Sessions, Lunch & Drinks Reception & Gala Dinner.
- 18 June 2015 - Conference Sessions & Lunch.

**Workshop Delegate**
- 16 June 2015 - Workshop only including Lunch.

**Partner Package**
This package is designed for partners accompanying delegates on the trip and can only be booked when booked with a Conference delegate or Speaker package. This programme gives partners the opportunity to meet other partners and free time to explore this amazing city.
- 16 June 2015 - Conference Welcome Reception including food.
- 17 June 2015 - Drinks Reception & Gala Dinner.

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**
Magnificent and unique venues at the Conference

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