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SC21 AT A GLANCE

ACHIEVING SUPPLY CHAIN EXCELLENCE

Supply Chains for the 21st Century (SC21) is an improvement programme designed to accelerate the competitiveness of the Aerospace and Defence industry by raising the performance of its supply chains.

The programme is endorsed by all major UK Aerospace and Defence companies, it is overseen by the Aerospace Growth Partnership (AGP) and delivered by ADS at a national level working with SC21 participants, prime contractors, Regional Aerospace Associations, strategic partners, accredited practitioners and training partners.

The SC21 programme defines performance goals, standardising the approach and the tools for continuous sustainable improvement. SC21 participants are identified in the SC21 National Status Report (NSR) and receive regular invitations to “Achieving Supply Chain Excellence” events, where industry best practice is shared and SC21 performance standard awards are presented.

Participating in the SC21 programme delivers recognised benefits across your business:

Benefits of deployment

Productivity:

- Improved delivery performance (OTIF)
- Lead time reduction
- Better cash flow
- Reduced inventory
- Labour and set-up time reduction
- Greater focus on “fit for purpose” equipment
- Consistent forecasting
- Increased return on capital employed
- Reduced number of overdue/backlog orders
- Accurate planned vs. actual labour cost
- Floor space utilisation

Quality

- Quality cost reduction
- Reduced cost of scrap and rework
- Reduced dispatch cost (re-delivery)

Relationships

- Cross-company team working
- Better contract management
- Long-term planning between customers and suppliers
- Communication before and during the manufacturing process
- Less customer complaints

Stakeholder Benefits

- Sharing resources
- Industry training and development for employees
- UK focus on improvement and competitiveness
- SME support and communication
- Cross-fertilisation between Customers, Suppliers and key stakeholders
- Sustainability / sustainable procurement

How to join

Firstly visit the SC21 website www.sc21.org.uk to register your interest to join the programme. We shall then contact you with details of how to start your improvement journey and achieve recognition.

SC21 – improve your business for FREE

SC21 is a voluntary programme, and becoming a participant is free. The programme follows a simple 4-step framework, culminating in the achievement of industry-recognised performance standard awards.

4-Step Framework



SC21 is part of a ladder of Aerospace and Defence Supply Chain improvement programmes:

- **SC21 – Improving operational effectiveness and achieving supply chain excellence.**
- **NMCL SC21 C+G – Increasing competitiveness and improved organisational capability.**
- **Sharing in Growth – Developing leadership and accelerating growth.**

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Competitive and sustainable supply chains are vital to the future growth and success of our industries; through the SC21 programme, companies benefit from a clear and practical framework that enables greater efficiency and productivity.

Paul Everitt – Chief Executive



To find out more about the programme or how to join it visit:
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