



INCOSE Past President David Wright (2014-2015)

David Wright was Business Development Director with Lockheed Martin UK, working in the corporate offices in London until his untimely death in July 2012.

He joined INCOSE in early 1995, becoming a regular attendee at UK Chapter events, and served on the Board of the UK Chapter as Events Technical Chair. In 2002, he stood for election as one of two representatives from Region III to the new INCOSE Member Board. He was then elected to become Co-Chair and then Chair of that new Board with a seat on the Board of Directors representing all INCOSE members and chapters. For a time he then worked as Associate Director for Leadership Development, before taking on the role of INCOSE Treasurer.

David had been interested in a range of INCOSE activities. He joined the Intelligent Enterprises Working Group at its formation, and had been active in exploring soft systems ideas and concepts. He had been involved looking at logistics and support engineering as systems challenges. He presented papers at both UK and international symposia, and took part in a number of panels.

David Wright had a first degree in Physics. He spent 30 years as a member of the British Army's Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, retiring as a Colonel in 2004. He held a variety of regimental appointments in England, Cyprus, Germany and the Outer Hebrides, and commanded units at all levels in the field force. He spent a number of years at the Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, gaining an MSc in Guided Weapon Systems and later both teaching there and creating a new MSc Course in Defence Technology. He held a wide variety of staff appointments in UK MOD and in the Procurement Executive. In the latter part of his military career, he was involved in the management and delivery of large-scale information systems for the UK MOD. He gained an MPhil degree for a programme of part-time research into the application of systems thinking to the problems of UK Defence acquisition. He was a Chartered Engineer, and a Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology.