



## INCOSE Past President Samantha F. Robitaille (2010 – 2011)

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**Samantha F. Robitaille** is a former President of INCOSE. She has been an INCOSE member since 1999, serving initially as Corporate Advisory Board member for BAE Systems. In 2004 she was appointed as Technical Director, a position she retained until she was elected to the presidency at the end of 2007.

After starting her career in Royal Ordnance as a student engineer, Samantha developed a broad understanding of UK defence industry and specifically military vehicles business through a wide range of roles spanning business winning, research, development, manufacturing, facilities management and engineering process development before formally moving into systems engineering on the Terrier armoured engineering vehicle programme.

In 1999 she was appointed Deputy Chairman of the BAE Systems 'Systems Engineering Council', a role in which she was responsible for the coordination of global Systems Engineering capability development across BAE Systems and its joint venture companies. She received a BAE Systems SPIRE award for her service to Systems Engineering education & training within the company in 2004.

Samantha holds a Bachelors degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Bath, UK; Masters degrees in Gun Systems Design from the Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, UK and in Engineering Management from the University of Bristol, UK, and an Engineering Doctorate in Systems Engineering from Loughborough University, UK. She is a Chartered Engineer and Fellow of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

In 2010 Samantha transferred to BAE Systems Land and Armaments business in Sterling Heights, Michigan, USA, where she is a Systems Engineering Fellow.