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## Skilling, Sustainment & Force Protection: Major focus in this month's ADM

### Skilling and Training

Skills, training and recruitment have become defining issues for both the Department of Defence and the Australian defence industry. The issues will be thrown into even sharper relief by the Government's selection of the Navy's Air Warfare Destroyer, Amphibious Landing Ship (LHD) and plans for a fleet of 12 Future Submarines: building, delivering and sustaining these will be major, national projects with significant implications for Australia's engineering workforce.

Competition is also hotting up for flying training under the Interim Basic Flying Training (IBFT) project that will shape AIR5428 in turn.

This edition of ADM will be circulated at the sixth annual ADM Defence Skilling Summit in Adelaide where top industry players will address the major Defence and Industry training issues.

### Sustainment

The readiness and sustainability of modern combat equipment and platforms is a key determinant of ADF warfighting capability. The DMO has identified this key area will have greater attention in its planning and budgeting processes under the Smart Sustainment stream of the Strategic Reform Program (SRP).

This edition of ADM will examine some of the major platform and equipment maintenance, sustainment and upgrade programs currently under way across all three services and how it plans to sustain and support current and future platforms such as the JSE, AWD and fleet management.

### Force Protection

What capabilities does the ADF have in place to manage a CBRN (chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear) threat? What role do special purpose vehicles and robots play in mine protection and countermeasures across the services? How are the efforts for IED protection faring?

ADM will examine each of these elements with respect to DCP flagged projects, defence related research and agencies (DSTO, RPDE) and what industry is doing on these fronts. The solutions are coming from around the globe and local industry. This special editorial feature will look both Defence and Defence industry solutions in service and those on the horizon thanks to emerging technologies.

#### FROM THE SOURCE INTERVIEW

Key industry figure: name to be confirmed.

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