

INTO SOMERSET CASE STUDY – *ADVANCED ENGINEERING*

Aerosystems International

Aerosystems International, a wholly owned subsidiary of BAE Systems, is a world leader in the analysis, design, development and delivery of highly complex software intensive systems for the aerospace, defence and transport sectors.

Among clients of the Yeovil-based company are Boeing, L3 Communications, Lockheed Martin and AgustaWestland. Its technically advanced, innovative and cost effective solutions are in operation with the UK Armed Forces and many other allied / NATO Forces and defence industry partners around the globe.



Many of its employees enjoy the best of what Somerset has to offer as they work for a large international company, with all its associated benefits, whilst living in a beautiful rural location.

Managing Director Scott Roy says, "Aerosystems International is a knowledge-based industry which has grown from 20 people to over 400 in the space of 20 years. Our location in the South West is one factor that helps attract and retain the talent and expertise which underpin our success as an international business."

The company is attracting further skilled labour to the area as well as expanding its successful Trainee Software Developer Programme, which ensures that a steady stream of skilled local young people is entering the workforce. This is achieved through structured on-the-job work experience and technical training through Yeovil College, which can lead to a Foundation Degree.

Gemma Hann, who went through the apprenticeship, says, "It not only offers you the chance to learn and earn within a friendly environment, but to also be part of an international company where the opportunities are endless."

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