

Newsletter

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A word from the President

With the opening of our website, a new step is made in the SPACE development. This will be a powerful tool to help us meet our targets to and improve the supply chain. It has been designed mainly to enable us to communicate between members, to provide useful information such as training sessions, SPACE news as well as standard industrial and Supply Chain tools, to give a private access in benchmark results. The SPACE development continues with the suppliers, at a rate close to the objective. We are also studying a reinforcement of our improvement management team, to boost the activity.

Maurice PERRAULT

Just go to www.space-aero.org

Our website has been implemented since the end of September. All the members' logos are displayed (fixed or running). It's currently published in English however it will be available in German and French in a few days.

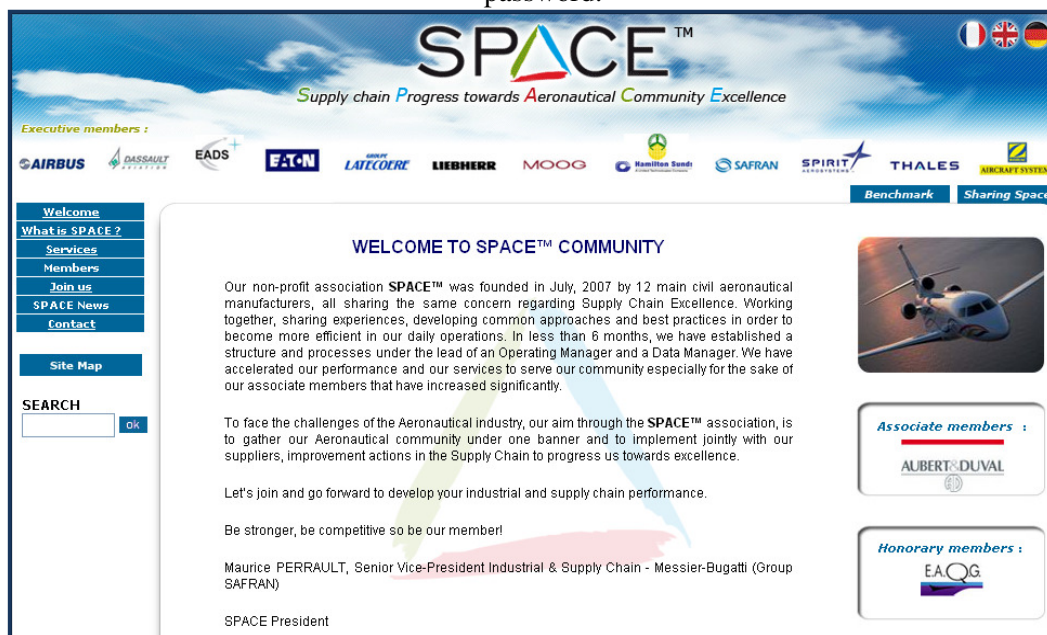
The "public area" on the left side allow you

to find detailed information about the Space organization, description of the services offered to the members, our current membership as well as the latest news and events.

On the top right side is the "members' area", where a login and personal password is required. This area gives you an access to the improvement project status, benchmark data, tool descriptions, our library and Industrial

and Supply Chain learning tools that members are able to borrow.

If you are a member, just contact Chidkae SERVILLE to obtain a user name and a password.



Since the website is still under construction, please don't hesitate to share your comments or ideas referring to the information and materials for which you expect. This will contribute us our site's development.

To promote SPACE and increase our communication, we'd like to ask you a favour to add a link of SPACE website into your own website.

New members

Associate members



We proudly welcome **TRONICO**. It provides electronic solutions from circuit board design through to global turnkey solutions. It focuses on activities around high technologies for providing high



precision mechanical parts. **CHATAL** has completed its expertise and skills by acquiring **MECACOATING**, a firm specialized in surface treatments.

CAZENAVE is specialized in precision mechanical manufacturing. From prototype up to 500 piece series, the company is a subcontractor for machining, surface and thermal treatment. We also welcome **CIREP (Group CIRE)**: a supplier of aeronautical flex-rigid and multi-layer circuits.



SBAC SC21 and SPACE partnership

In Farnborough, during the Air Show, on July 17th, Andy Leather, Head of the SC21 program initiated by the



SBAC (Society of British Aerospace Companies) and Maurice Perrault, SPACE president, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding. The purpose is to combine our forces and activities to support our mutual goal of improving top to bottom performance in the global supply chain in Aerospace and Defense.

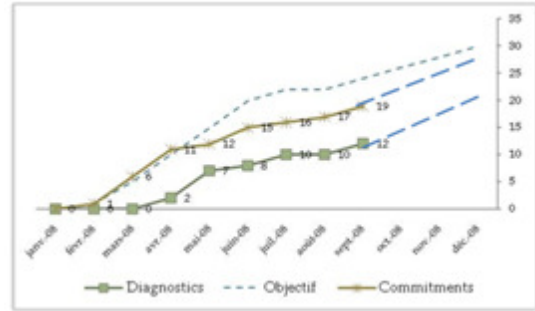
Benchmark

At the beginning of October, we will launch our annual benchmark. Data relating to 8 logistic indicators will be requested from European suppliers. All the data is collected and processed by the fully independent organization, ICARE. The anonymous results will be communicated to all members and suppliers who have replied to the questionnaire. Please join us with this free service to know your positioning in aeronautical sector. Its value cannot be derived from a few replies!

Projects Status

By the end of September, we have almost 20 projects committed with suppliers, and 12 of them are already in progress. We still

maintain our objective of 30 committed projects by the end of the year.



These projects mainly concern:

- Planning system (long and medium term)
- Shop floor control, logistics and flow management (lean concepts)
- Quality and problem solving methodologies.

In the near future we will be able to report the first results of these projects.

JC BOUY--“positive changes”-

Located in west area of France, JC Bouy SAS is a company



specialized in high precision machining. At the beginning of this year, we started an improvement project. They rapidly joined SPACE. We have met Marc Moreuil, general manager: *“SPACE represents an opportunity to link our action plan in line with the current issues of the Aerospace industry. With SPACE, we can share experiences and have the benefits of skilled and suited consulting“.*

Training

In August, we received the results of our first BASICS session. 75% of the candidates have passed the 300 required points and been certified by APICS. A diploma will be distributed to the successors. Congratulations to the new experts!

We have now started a new session of 25 candidates divided from 2 groups: Paris and Toulouse and will take the exam on Saturday the 13th of December, in Paris. More than 50% of the candidates come from associate’s members.

No doubt that these participants will boost the improvement projects that are in progress in their own companies.

At the beginning of 2009, we plan to open a certification session in Lean Manufacturing and one in Green Belt and 6 Sigma at very fair prices. Contact us if you are interested, details are coming soon on our website.

