

# Helping Canada's Aerospace Industry Reach New Heights



AIAC

# Stronger Together

As an industry association, we are only as strong as our members — and I'm proud to say we've never been stronger.

It is an honour to represent such a diverse community of aerospace companies, and to advocate on your behalf both in Canada and abroad. Our sector is truly world-class and that is thanks to all of you, the people driving innovation and helping reach new heights.

In these challenging times, Canadian aerospace has a critical role to play. As our country commits to strengthening the defence industrial base and building sovereign capabilities, your work is essential to protecting Canadians and ensuring our nation's long-term prosperity.

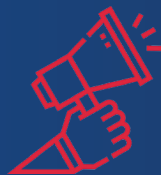
At AIAC, we know that together we are better — with a united voice and a shared commitment to advancing aerospace excellence. Thank you for being part of this community and for your continued leadership, collaboration and support.



**Mike Mueller,**  
President and CEO,  
Aerospace Industries  
Association of Canada



# Solution-Oriented Advocacy



Advocating for the needs and interests of Canada's aerospace industry is a **primary focus** for our AIAC team.

We are actively engaged in discussions and consultations on the policy issues that impact the growth, competitiveness and sustainability of companies working in defence, civil aviation, space and related sectors across the supply chain.

## • Industrial Aerospace Strategy

Advocate for comprehensive, long-term strategies for aerospace and for defence that strengthen Canada's industrial base, competitiveness, innovation and global leadership.

## • Defence Industrial Strategy (DIS), Defence Investment Agency (DIA) & Industrial and Technological Benefits (ITB) Policy

Advocate for a comprehensive Defence Industrial Strategy with clear implementation and operational guidance through the Defence Investment Agency (DIA), a modernized and more efficient Industrial and Technological Benefits (ITB) Policy, prioritization of key industrial capabilities, promotion of innovation, support for exports and enhancement of Canada's defence readiness.

## • Transport Canada's Certification Capacity

Advocate for the resourcing and expertise needed to accelerate aeronautical certification, enabling rapid adoption of emerging technologies and maintaining Canada's reputation for aviation excellence.

## • Domestic Taxation Policy

Protect Canadian aerospace jobs and supply chains by calling for the exemption of aircraft from the Select Luxury Items Tax.

## • Labour Market & Workforce Development

Advocate for the expansion of skilled labour programs, streamlined immigration processes and youth engagement to address skilled talent shortages.

## • Export Permits and Controls

Advocate for the simplification and harmonization of export processes with allied countries to improve market access and maintain global competitiveness.

## • Sustainable Aviation and Environmental Policy Development

Support the implementation of a government-industry plan to scale SAF production and achieve Canada's aviation decarbonization targets and provide industry leadership on environmental issues like PFAS and chemicals.

## • Innovation Funding

Advocate to maintain and enhance the Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) program to ensure companies are rewarded for conducting R&D in Canada and ensure that the newly announced Strategic Response Fund meets industry needs.



# Join an AIAC Committee

Committees provide a valuable **opportunity for members** to connect, share their experience and insights and benefit from informative briefings from government officials and other subject matter experts.

## Interested in joining?

Contact Bill Yetman to learn more:  
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## AIAC Committees

- Disruption & World Class-Ideas Committee
- Civil Aviation Committee (CAC)
- Technology and Innovation Committee, Aviation (TICA)
- Public Procurement and Defence Committee (PPDC)
- Sustainability Committee
- Small Business Committee (SBC)
- Academic Committee

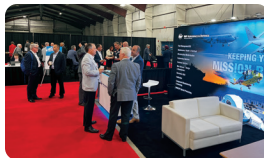
## Stay Connected

**AIAC events** help our members stay connected and maintain an active dialogue on the industry's pressing issues.



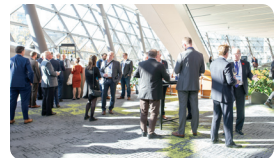
### Aerospace on the Hill

Held annually on Parliament Hill, the event brings together Canada's aerospace community and senior government officials for focused discussions on the sector's key challenges and priorities.



### Aerospace Defence and Security Expo (ADSE)

Canada's premier aerospace, defence, and security event, featuring the latest technologies, products and services and offering valuable networking opportunities with industry leaders, government officials and key decision-makers.



### Canadian Aerospace Summit

The aerospace event of the year in Canada, bringing together senior executives, government leaders and innovators to explore emerging technologies, policy priorities and business opportunities shaping the future of aerospace.