



UK Space Agency: Space Technology Advisory Committee

Call for Nominations for new Chairperson

The UK Space Agency seeks nominations for the Chair of its Space Technology Advisory Committee (STAC).

The STAC provides advice and support to the Agency on matters related to space technology development programmes, (principally UK involvement in UK technology developments, potential spin-out applications, BIS industrial strategy and priorities, UK, ESA and other mission priorities, the wider social and industrial context and potential for developing the UK skills base).

Membership of the STAC consists of representatives of the academic and industrial communities from across the breadth of relevant subject areas, covering the range of space technologies (both hardware and software) over the different space sectors addressed in the Space Technology roadmaps (communications, sensing, positioning, exploration and access to space) and from the differing perspectives of prime contractors, suppliers, SMEs and academia.

The Chair of the group plays an important role in guiding discussions, collating information regarding specific activities (e.g. roadmap updates) and reporting back outcomes to the Agency.

Nominations should be made no later than Friday **31st July 2015** by email to the below address. Please include the following information:

- Name
- Organisation
- Brief summary (200-300 words) of relevant experience

Suitable candidates are expected to have:

- a background of working in the space sector (for example: in a space technology role in either industry or academia)
- experience of working with international space programmes (e.g. with ESA or the EU)
- broad knowledge of the UK R+D landscape
- knowledge of the political and strategic challenges of work in this area, at both a national and international level
- experience of working in similar advisory positions for government or other public bodies (e.g. government agencies, Research Councils, other funding bodies.)

Chairmanship is on a two-year term, commencing from the **September 2015** meeting. Meetings are usually held quarterly. To submit a nomination (either for yourself or for a colleague) or for more information about the STAC and what membership entails, please contact Timothy Hudson, STAC secretariat: email - tim.hudson@ukspaceagency.bis.gsi.gov.uk