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South Australia secures world's largest systems engineering event

South Australia will host the International Council on Systems Engineering International Symposium in 2017, which is expected to inject \$4.69 million into the economy.

Minister for Defence Industries Martin Hamilton-Smith said IS2017 is the largest annual gathering of systems engineers in the world and will attract 1000 international delegates.

“This is a major coup for South Australia. From a Defence and defence industry perspective, systems engineering and integration is the backbone of what we do in this State.

“South Australia is home to some of the country’s most complex defence systems projects, including the Collins Class Submarines, Air Warfare Destroyer and the Jindalee Operational Radar Network.

“IS2017 will present an unprecedented chance to showcase the state’s credentials.”

The International Council on Systems Engineering is the leading systems engineering body in the world, with almost 10,000 members.

Shaun Wilson, President of Systems Engineering Society of Australia welcomed the announcement.

“Systems engineering is at the heart of all large and complex projects, and is vital to not only the defence industry but to mining, oil and gas, health, telecommunications, civil infrastructure, emergency services, transport and rail.

“The symposium will bring together complex systems practitioners across industries, looking to grow the non-defence interest in systems engineering,” he said.

Mr Wilson thanked the State Government and Adelaide Convention Bureau for their contributions in securing the symposium.

The symposium will be one of the first events to take place at the Adelaide Convention Centre after the completion of a \$350 million redevelopment.

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