

## Royal Air force to speak at Air Mission Planning and Support conference in April 2018

SMi Reports: Group Captain Richard J Yates MBE, Chief of Staff Air Battle Staff, RAF to discuss the future of British Air Power at a conference held in London.

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, March 6, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In recent news, UK Defence Secretary Gavin Williamson announced "Britain set to launch Combat Air Strategy" in an effort to maintain world-leading combat air capability and power. Chief of the Air Staff, Air Chief Marshal Sir Stephen Hillier stated that this strategy will "ensure that the RAF can continue to remain at the forefront of the high-end airpower technology and innovation we need to deal with future threats" [GOV.UK].

Group Captain Richard J Yates MBE, Chief of Staff Air Battle Staff, RAF, will be speaking at SMi's 9th annual Air Mission Planning and Support conference, taking



place in London on the 17th and 18th April 2018. Group Captain Yates will provide insight into the future of <u>British Air Power</u> in relation to Air Mission Planning and Support, as well as air capability delivery and development.

At the two-day conference, additional expert speakers from the Royal Jordanian Air Force, Swedish Defence Research Agency, Royal Norwegian Air Force, Belgian Air Component, NATO and many others will be discussing technological upgrades and advancements for 5th generation air power and systems, as well as the emerging global threats through maximising joint air power and capabilities.

## Key Areas of Discussion:

- National Updates to Air Mission Planning
- Network-Centric Capabilities and C2
- Strategic-Level Analysis of Planning Support
- 5th Generation Air Power and Development
- Air Mission Planning and Power in all Operations
- Simulation and Virtual Training for Effective Mission Planning and Support

## Latest Attendees Include:

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There is a brochure available to download, which includes the full agenda and speaker line-up at: <a href="https://www.airmissionplanning.co.uk/ein">www.airmissionplanning.co.uk/ein</a>

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