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BUREAU VERITAS joins the ASD-European Aerospace Quality Group (EAQG) Aerospace Performance Improvement Programme

Paris, 6 November 2007 - The ASD-European Aerospace Quality Group (EAQG) and Bureau Veritas, today signed an agreement confirming Bureau Veritas as ASD-EAQG's partner in France, which sees Bureau Veritas join three prominent European partners in ASD-EAQG's Aerospace Performance Improvement (API) platform.

The agreement will enable Bureau Veritas to provide a wide range of training programmes. Bureau Veritas, drawing on its experience and expertise in the Aerospace sector, has designed a full range of regulatory and standard training programmes for its clients' benefit.

The aim of the API programme is to enable API partners to improve the performance of the Aerospace and Defence industry by implementing the quality standards, requirements and guidelines developed by IAQG (International Aerospace Quality Group) for the benefit of the entire supply chain at national and international levels.

The agreement was signed by the President of EAQG, Mr. Guy Dion, and the CEO of Bureau Veritas Aerospace, Mr. Romain Petit. 'In an increasingly global, competitive and regulated environment, mastering standards and regulations is a major issue for all players in the aeronautics and space sector. We are proud of this partnership which will contribute to improve knowledge and to meet the highest quality and safety requirements.' said Mr Romain Petit, speaking at today's signing ceremony.

ASD-EAQG's Guy Dion stated: 'We are very happy to be cooperating with Bureau Veritas in the areas of quality and service provision. The API platform helps our industry supply chain both implement and improve the quality of standards in the Aerospace and Defence Industry.'

The services and training on offer will focus on activities related to the Aerospace industry meeting the requirements of AS/EN 9100 standard series (Aerospace Quality Management System requirements) and other released IAQG standards / guidelines. Sharing industry best practices, coaching and on site support aimed to improve the Aerospace Industry processes, is another key element of the programme, covering product development, processes improvement and supply chain management.



About ASD European Quality Group (EAQG):

EAQG (European Aerospace Quality Group) is the Quality community of ASD, the AeroSpace & Defence Industries Association of Europe and the European sector of IAQG, the International Aerospace Quality Group.

EAQG is a cooperative global organisation of companies (30 European major companies) providing Aviation, Space and Defence products and services. EAQG purpose is to implement initiatives that make significant improvements in Quality and reductions in cost throughout the value stream by establishing and maintaining dynamic co-operation based on trust between International Aerospace companies.

EAQG focus is to continuously improve the processes used by the Supply Chain to deliver consistently high Quality products, thereby reducing non - value added activities and cost.

ASD represents the aeronautics, space and defence industries in Europe. ASD has 32 member associations in 21 European countries and represents over 2,000 companies.

About BUREAU VERITAS:

Since its foundation in 1828, Bureau Veritas has consistently built recognized expertise, helping clients comply with standards and regulations relating to Quality, Health & Safety, Environment and Social Responsibility.

The Group's network of regional and local offices manages client relationship and delivers a comprehensive range of services: inspection, testing, auditing, certification and related technical assistance, training and outsourcing.

Large and small organizations, whether private or public, can rely on Bureau Veritas to support them in protecting their respective brands, assets and business. We play a key role in both risk management and performance improvement.

Bureau Veritas deploys multidisciplinary skills from over 26,000 employees in 700 offices and laboratories worldwide.



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