

Airframe Procurement

Airframe Procurement deals with the sourcing of suppliers, awarding of contracts and managing external supplier deliveries of standard components of the Airframe that Airbus in the UK control. All areas of Procurement work closely with a large number of different departments within Airbus.

The Airframe Procurement teams deal with a large number of suppliers in different countries and travel to these suppliers is encouraged to build stronger relationships and to discuss issues and implement improvements. Planning, project management and personal time management are important factors to keep suppliers on schedule in order to meet delivery and programme requirements. Due to the nature of the assemblies being manufactured, all phases of the process from initial negotiation to final delivery are time consuming. Airbus focuses on three main indicators, which it considers extremely important, in order to monitor its suppliers and products - quality, cost and delivery.