

PROCUREMENT



Ian B. - Head of Procurement, Landing Gear Systems

"The programme allows DEG's to understand the Airbus business, policies and procedures during their training. It means that, as employees, they would be able "hit the ground running" with the relevant experience."

Procurement has undergone a fundamental shift in the development of people, skills and competencies in recent years. A key component of this change programme has been the recruitment of DEGs, with many going on to fill first line management roles, with direct responsibilities typically for a portfolio of high value contracts.

The format of the programme provides an ideal opportunity for graduates to experience many of the different facets of the relationship between procurement and its internal customers, as well as its suppliers."

Entry Requirements

You will need to have a relevant Bachelors or Masters degree or equivalent. Relevant degree subjects include:

Economics, Business Studies, Business and Economics, Business and Law, International Business Economics and Law.

Other non-related degrees may be considered.

Additional Requirements

Applicants following CIPS programmes would be desirable.

About Procurement

The Procurement Function is responsible for securing all external resources to support Airbus business operations.

As a company Airbus procures a significant proportion (> 75% by value) of each aircraft it builds, from suppliers across the globe. Commodities required to directly produce an aircraft include everything from nuts and bolts to high value cutting edge computers for flight control systems. Furthermore the Procurement Function also secures Raw Materials for use in our factories, the equipment and buildings on our sites as well as all the materials and services required to continue our business operations.

In short a significant proportion of Airbus annual turnover (>75% of turnover p.a.) is defined through the contracts that Procurement negotiates and manages and as such this function is a key contributor to the financial success of the company and, specifically, bottom line performance.