

d-Logistics Seminar 2009 - Summary of the Conference

Date: 13th & 14th October 2009
**Venue: Republic Polytechnic,
Singapore**

d-Logistics Seminar 2009, organised by the Singapore Ministry of Defence (MINDEF) since 2001, evolved from a successful internal event into an International Conference organised by DTC Conferences in partnership with Singapore's Ministry of Defence, Singapore Technologies Engineering, The Logistics Institute - Asia Pacific (TLI-AP) and the Association of Aerospace Industries Singapore (AAIS) and in association with the Singapore Tourism Board.

d-Logistics Seminar 2009, designed under the theme "Full Spectrum Defence Logistics ~ Equipping the Force, Delivering the Outcomes" aimed to bring international and regional Logistics organisations and their domain experts in face-to-face interactions with the Regional Military and their decision makers to discuss new and emerging defence related logistics strategies and initiatives required to ensure readiness of today's evolving regional defence organisations in line with the latest demands on the defence forces.



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The Guest-of-Honour, Dr Tan Kim Siew, Permanent Secretary (Defence Development), Ministry of Defence, Singapore, delivered the Opening Address. The keynote addresses for d-Logistics Seminar 2009 were delivered by COL Tay Ee Learn, Head, Joint Logistics Department, Singapore Armed Forces and Mr Detlef Bartel, Senior Vice President, Customer Support, Krauss-Maffei Wegmann GmbH & Co, KG.



Guest-of-Honour, Dr Tan Kim Siew



Mr Detlef Bartel & COL Tay Ee Learn

d-Logistics Seminar 2009 also had four featured speakers over the two days: RADM (USN) (Ret) Bob Cowley, Senior Vice President, Global Defense and Aerospace Sector, SAP; CAPT M.H.J. Miko, Director Supply Chain Plans, Joint Logistics Command, Australian Armed Forces; COL Anders Brunnberg, Director of Logistics, FMV, Sweden and Mr Ratan Shrivastava, Director, Aerospace & Defence Practice, Frost & Sullivan.

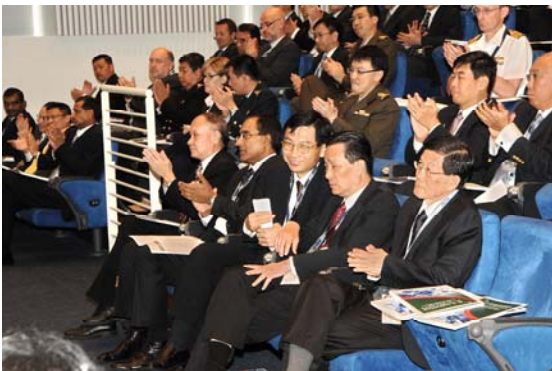


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Distinguished Participants at the d-Logistics Seminar 2009 included international delegates from Singapore, Australia, Brunei, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Sweden and USA.



After lunch on both days, the Conference broke up into its various sub themes: Challenges for Logistics Support Tools and Contracting Logistics Strategies.

In terms of Logistics Support Tools, the presentations centred on different tools and methodologies required for logistics



operations planning, control & execution in dynamic and complex operating environments. The presentations focused on support tools (be it IT tools or modelling techniques or simulation programs) which enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of logistics operations to support the warfighters.

The Contracting Logistics Strategies track focused on the military's reliance on contractor logistics which is a pervasive facet in many militaries. The presentations covered the strategies to acquire contractor logistics across the full spectrum of military operations. Performance-based Logistics, Contractor Logistics Support and Public-Private Partnerships to deliver cost-effective logistics.

In all, the conference saw a total of over 24 papers being presented.

Industry sponsors in this year's d-Logistics Seminar came from Krauss-Maffei Wegmann GmbH & Co, KG; SAP Asia Pte Ltd; Toll Asia/ST Logistics Pte Ltd and DCNS Far East Pte Ltd. Other participating organisations were Boeing, WASS and Gates Logistics.

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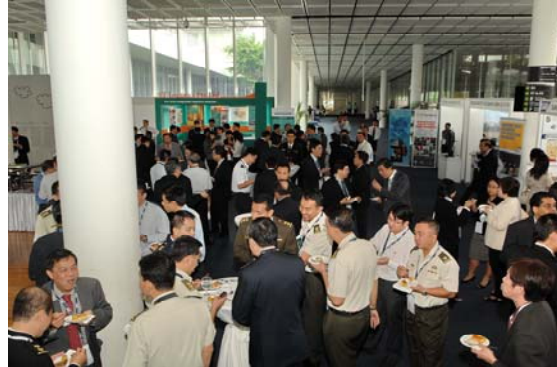
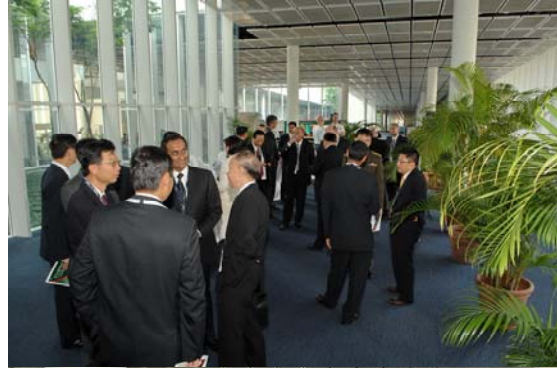
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Feedback from participants confirmed that the Seminar had indeed grown from its previous internal MINDEF event status. In addition, the commercial companies were appreciative of the crucial opportunity to network with senior military officers from the region and beyond. The many side discussions and networking which took place between delegates was a good indication of further future success for the d-Logistics Seminar.



Given the success of d-Logistics Seminar 2009, DTC Conferences is confident of continuing its tradition of providing another excellent and unique forum of conferences and exhibition in Defence Technology Asia 2010.

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