

An Update on the India Chapter's Current Activities



The India Chapter is the youngest Chapter of the Association of Old Crows and appears in the International Region I. However, it has enrolled more than 250 EW Professionals and two industrial members in the short span since its inauguration during the First EW Conference in India – EWCI 2010 in February 2010 in Bangalore, India and is growing. AOC India Chapter is acting like an umbrella organisation for Indian EW Stake Holders who include Indian Armed Services, Defence R&D Organisations, Defence PSUs and Ordnance Factories and Private EW Industry.

AOC India Chapter has started its activities at an appropriate time, as Indian Defence thinkers are convinced that control and use of Electromagnetic Spectrum (EMS) is the key to victory in future wars, especially for the country like India which is a victim of Low Intensity Warfare by the neighbourhood and Organised Terrorism. The ground situation is that the whole EMS including the spectrum for mobile and cellular communications also needs to be controlled and utilised. To cater for such a situation, the Chapter has undertaken many activities including national level workshops and educational talks, which are well appreciated by the EW Community in India and abroad. Consequently, the Indian Chapter was awarded the “Fastest Growing International Chapter” award during the 48th AOC International Convention, in Nov 2011.

The India Chapter continued to carry on its outstanding activities. It had taken the lead to organise the hugely successful Second International Conference on Electronic Warfare in India – EWCI 2012 at



Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore in February this year. The EWCI 2012 was attended by more than 400 national and international delegates. Over 80 technical papers were presented (25 of which were from abroad) and 50 EW Organisations from 9 countries

displayed their products in the accompanying Technical Exhibition. The highly interactive Technical sessions and the tutorials of the EWCI 2012 Conference were well appreciated for the in depth technical coverage of topics from the field of EW and Information Operations.

AOC India Chapter works with a vision to bring international EW Organisations together to facilitate collaboration and mutual exchange of technical expertise. In near future, the Chapter has plans to expand its member base, organise national workshops and courses, announce the AOC India Chapter Annual Award and organise technical talks along with its Annual General Body Meeting.