## INCOSE Honors Two Members with Prestigious Founders Award Recipients Recognized for Significant Contributions in Leadership and Organizational Development

**SAN DIEGO** (July 17, 2015) – The International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) has honored two of its members – Paul Davies and Arthur Pyster, Ph.D. – with its prestigious Founders Award for their outstanding individual contributions to the organization.

"As a nonprofit organization, INCOSE's success is due to the efforts of its leaders and the many other volunteers who share their time, expertise and knowledge to nurture the organization and advance the profession," said INCOSE President David Long. "Both Paul and Art have worked tirelessly to advance systems engineering through their ongoing leadership and commitment to INCOSE'S development and success."

Davies – director for outreach for INCOSE and former systems engineering discipline manager at Network Rail – has made major contributions to INCOSE at international and national levels over two decades. An active member since 1994, Davies was a founding member of the U.K. Chapter, where his leadership and wise judgment have contributed to the organization's international growth and the chapter's success.

After first working in mathematical modelling of engineering systems, Davies became a systems engineer in the mid-1980s. As site head of systems engineering at what is now Thales – where he worked for 20 years – Davies was responsible for overhauling systems engineering processes for various programmes for U.K. and overseas customers, including international collaborative teams. Over the course of his career, he has worked in sectors including nuclear power, defence electronics command and control, and rail.

In addition to his service with INCOSE, Davies acts as a part-time visiting professor in integrated systems design at Loughborough University, where he delivers training on systems engineering processes.

Pyster – a distinguished research professor in the School of Systems and Enterprises at the Stevens Institute of Technology and COO of the Systems Engineering Research Center (SERC) – has advanced INCOSE's professional status and recognition among other organizations through his long-term service in various leadership roles. Dedicated to the profession and fellow systems engineers, he has led INCOSE's Washington Metro Area Chapter, chaired the Corporate Advisory Board and is currently director for academic matters.

As COO, Pyster has helped build and lead the SERC – the largest research unit at Stevens and the largest academic research center devoted to systems engineering in the U.S.A. He also teaches and conducts research on systems and software engineering and enterprise systems.

Davies and Pyster were presented with The Founders Awards on July 13 at INCOSE's International Symposium, the organization's annual flagship event for systems engineers worldwide. This year's event also marks INCOSE's 25th anniversary.

## **About the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE)**

The International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) is a not-for-profit membership organization that promotes international collaboration in systems engineering practice, education and research. INCOSE's mission is to "share, promote and advance the best of systems engineering from across the globe for the benefit of humanity and the planet." Founded in 1990, INCOSE marks its 25th anniversary with more than 70 chapters and over 10,000 members worldwide.

INCOSE acts as a source for systems engineering knowledge, helps establish professional standards, works to improve the professional status of systems engineers and offers a <u>certification</u> program to formally recognize

the knowledge and experience of industry professionals. The organization also produces a range of products, publications and events, including the Systems Engineering Handbook and International Symposium.

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