



Biography

Rod Equid is the Air Warfare Destroyer Program Executive for Raytheon Australia. Within the AWD Alliance Rod is the General Manager – Business, and a member of the Alliance Executive Leadership Team.

Rod is responsible for Raytheon's contractual scope of work on AWD as Combat Systems – Systems Engineer. Within his Alliance role, Rod is jointly responsible with the Alliance CEO and two other General Managers for AWD Program Outcomes including the Hobart Class baseline, the Support System, and Project Cost and Schedule.

Rod has been engaged on the SEA4000 program since 2006. He led the Evolved Design Team and successfully presented the Evolved Design as an offer to government for second pass consideration at the culmination of Phase 2 of AWD. This required the establishment of an Alliance culture and an integrated team – now executing Phase 3 of the AWD program with the selected MOTS design.

Rod is an experienced executive leader and general manager. His previous roles with Raytheon Australia include GM Aerospace, GM Major Programs and GM Business Development and Strategy.

Prior to joining Raytheon Australia, Rod accumulated 20 years experience within the Department of Defence – 15 years as a serving RAAF officer, and a further five years as a senior Defence public servant. He is a highly qualified test and evaluation specialist, a member of the Society of Flight Test Engineers (Lancaster, CA USA), and a member of the International Test and Evaluation Association (Virginia, USA).

Rod gained a Master of Science in Aerosystems Engineering from Loughborough University of Technology (UK) after completion of the Advanced Systems Engineering Course at the RAF College. He also completed a Bachelor Degree in Electrical Engineering (Honours) at Monash University (Victoria), and has studied several short courses in Systems Engineering, Test and Evaluation, Telemetry, Hornet Maintenance and Armament, and Laser Systems Technology.