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Selex ES Chairman becomes Apprentice for the day

On Friday the 24th May Selex ES Chairman Allan Cook CBE will roll up his sleeves and work for the morning alongside a number of Selex ES apprentices including the company's current and former apprentices of the year.

Allan started his career as an apprentice and is a chartered engineer with more than 30 years' international experience in the automotive, aerospace and defence industries. As Chairman of Semta, the UK's Sector Skills Council for the advanced manufacturing and engineering sectors, Allan is a passionate advocate of apprenticeships and believes that they add tremendous value to industry. On the day, Allan will be joined by Alastair Morrison, Senior Vice President Radar and Advanced Targeting, who will also return to the shop floor to experience life as an apprentice first hand.

"It's always a pleasure to spend time with our apprentices, the dedication and focus they exhibit gives me great confidence in the future of the skilled trades in Scotland and the wider UK" said Allan Cook, adding "As a technology leader, Selex ES benefits strongly from the fresh talent brought into the company by our highly-rated apprenticeship schemes."

The activity forms the culmination of Selex ES's participation in Scottish Apprenticeship Week, which has seen current Selex ES apprentice Callum Anderson send out live tweets from internal and external events associated with the week-long celebration of apprenticeships' contribution to industry, including a special event at Scottish Parliament.

To arrange for a photographer or journalist to visit for Friday's event, please contact the press office; pressuk@selex-es.com