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MAN AND THE MOON... 50 YEARS ON

At 12.56 pm on 21 July 1969 Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) a truly momentous event occurred when Neil Armstrong stepped out of Apollo 11 onto the surface of the Moon. According to history, this significant achievement for mankind was enabled by nearly 400,000 scientists, technicians and engineers drawn from more than 20,000 companies and universities across the globe.

“The Space Industry Association of Australia is proud to have many members who are involved in various endeavours that enable and support ongoing space activities. I am sure that many of our members have been inspired to pursue careers in space as a direct result of man landing on the moon 50 years ago” said Mr Drury CSC, Chair of the Space Industry Association of Australia (SIAA).

The diverse membership of the SIAA includes organisations undertaking a wide range of space related activities, including education, research, development, design, production, operations and sustainment. The SIAA [capability database](#) provides a comprehensive source of information about many and varied space activity being undertaken across Australia.

The SIAA hopes that all Australians will be able to celebrate the anniversary in some way – a listing of celebration activities is available on our [website](#).

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