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Invitation to an RAeS lecture in cooperation with the DGLR and VDI

Some Memories of a Test Flying Career

David Eagles AFC

Lecture
followed by discussion

Entry free !
No registration required !



Date: Thursday, 1st March 2012, 18:00
Location: HAW Hamburg
Berliner Tor 5, (Neubau), Hörsaal 01.12



During the Cold War years the resulting need for the UK to keep a strong military meant that there were many opportunities for young men to take up exciting careers. Dave Eagles joined the Fleet Air Arm at the age of 17 in 1953 to train as a fighter pilot, and he describes the aircraft in use in the American Navy Flying Training programme, and his subsequent career in the Fleet Air Arm in carrier-borne squadrons and in the Naval Test Squadron at Boscombe Down. He describes his move into Industry as a test pilot at British Aerospace Warton, and his activities as Chief Test pilot there during the development of Tornado and later of the EAP, demonstrator and fore-runner of the Typhoon.

David Eagles joined the Royal Navy in 1953 and carried out his flying training with the US Navy. After serving 2 years with the Royal Australian Navy flying Sea Furies, he trained as a Night-Fighter pilot flying De Havilland Sea Venom and Sea Vixen aircraft from various British aircraft carriers. In 1963 he completed the Empire Test Pilots' Course at Farnborough and for the next 3 years he served as a test pilot at the Naval Test Squadron, Boscombe Down. In 1968 he retired after 15 years with the Navy, and joined British Aerospace at Warton, as an experimental test pilot. He was made project pilot for the Tornado aircraft in 1972 and played a major role in the development of that aircraft. He was appointed Chief Test Pilot of BAe (Military) in 1977 and Director Flight Operations in 1983. In 1986 he made the first flight of the EAP, the demonstrator of the Eurofighter Typhoon aircraft. He retired from Test flying in 1987 having flown over 6,000 hours in 61 aircraft types. David was awarded the Air Force Cross in 1966 and is a Fellow of the RAeS (FRAeS).

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