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## Naval Group set to inspire the next generation

**Naval Group has partnered with Science Alive!, one of the country's largest single interactive science exhibitions to inspire, excite and encourage Australians to pursue pathways in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).**

Naval Group will be a platinum sponsor over the next three years and will have a large stand presence at this year's Science Alive! event in Adelaide which is expected to attract over 30,000 people, including around 6,000 high-school students from over 80 different schools.

Over 30 representatives from Naval Group Australia will man the stand over the three days and engage attendees via a number of interactive activities ranging from naval-themed colouring-in and puzzle-solving challenges to augmented reality showcasing how to build a submarine and the key components involved – from the crew's accommodation to the submarine's control room, diesel engines, propulsion and weapons systems.

The Future Submarine Program will be the largest and most complex Defence project in Australia's history and is a multi-generational program that will span over 50 years, creating employment for many generations of Australians for decades to come.

"To make this complex program a reality, the program will need thousands of Australians to get involved – from the Australians of today to the Australians of tomorrow," said John Davis, Chief Executive Officer, Naval Group Australia.

"To achieve our goals over the coming decades we will need a strong, skilled and reliable workforce. This is why we have partnered with Science Alive! to inspire the next generation of scientists, technologists, engineers and mathematicians."

The first Future Submarine will enter into service in the early 2030's with construction on the remainder of the fleet extending into the late 2040's, with the last of the boats likely to enter service in the early 2050's.

The Naval Group Australia workforce has already grown to 89 at the organisation's headquarters in Adelaide and is expected to grow by the end of this year.

Naval Group will be exhibiting at the Adelaide Showground, booth 24 from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August.

Science Alive! acts as a primer to National Science Week which will take place from the 11<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of August.



## About Naval Group

Naval Group is a European leader in naval defence. As an international high-tech company, Naval Group uses its extraordinary know-how, unique industrial resources and capacity to arrange innovative strategic partnerships to meet its customers' requirements. The group designs, builds and supports submarines and surface ships. It also supplies services to shipyards and naval bases. In addition, the group offers a wide range of marine renewable energy solutions. Attentive to corporate social responsibility, Naval Group adheres to the United Nations Global Compact. The group reports revenues of €3.7 billion and has a workforce of 13,429 (data for 2017).

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