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Dr Alan Partridge heads up the Manufacturing Services Department at Rolls-Royce, Derby. The role encompasses the provision of global technical In-Service Support to the Civil and Defence aero-engine fleets, and the technical management and control of the Rolls-Royce supply chain globally.

Prior to joining Rolls-Royce in 2011, Alan was the Chief Executive Officer of the National Metals Technology Centre for over 7 years, and had also held senior technical posts within Firth Rixson and the Defence Research Agency (subsequently QinetiQ). Alan graduated in Physics from the University of Liverpool, before completing a PhD in Materials Science at the same institution. He spent a number of years in academia in both Liverpool and Eindhoven, in the Netherlands, prior to entering industry.

Alan has had a long career in the metals and materials field, and has considerable experience of managing technology based businesses.