

The Next Level

Following years of developing, distilling and delivering collaboration that's scalable and innovative, ZenithGroup is ascending to the *Next Level*.

What is the Next Level.

An Australian supply chain with broad manufacturing expertise and experience that provides build to print solutions from miniature to massive, multilayered to multifaceted.

Why Now

AUKUS, the DSR23 and Force Posture Initiatives have created fundamental change to existing and future defence arrangements with major shocks to local and international supply chains.

Since the 2016 Defence White Paper and 2020 Defence Strategic Update, the 10-year funding model for Australian Defence totalled around \$447.6 billion. Since the DSR23 2.3% of Australia's annual GDP through until 2027 is planned to fund defence, a significant uplift in supply chain demand.

Human resources are globally scarce, yet paradoxically local SME manufacturing expertise and experience remains surprisingly untapped, this is due to Defence supply chain projects being:

- o complex
- demanding
- rapidly changing

and SME's are limited with:

- o Time, to play the long game
- o Investment, for the long term
- Patience, to jump compliance hurdles
- o Resources for capability investment

ZenithGroup has exploited this conundrum by releasing hidden SME capability into current and future projects within the defence and industrial supply chain.



A current example of programs where ZenithGroup is participating is The Darwin Ship Lift Facility.



NAIF's \$300 million loan to the Northern Territory Government is for the construction of a new Shiplift, and associated marine infrastructure in Darwin harbour which will consolidate Darwin's position as a hub for marine maintenance and servicing in Northern Australia. Contractual close on the deal was announced in November 2020.

ZenithGroup successes into a portfolio of programs

- i. Howitzer Sustainment, LAND Program DoD (CASG)
- ii. AEROSPACE (CLASSIFIED)
- iii. Heavy Transport, LAND Program 121 (Rheinmetall)
- iv. Boxer, LAND 400 P2 (Rheinmetall Electronics RME)
- v. Hunter, DH36 Ballistic Steel Plates Sea5000 (Defence Science & Technology)
- vi. JORN Radar Network, AIR 2025 P6 (BAE Systems)
- vii. NOTUS Emergency Invasive Ventilator (Covid Program) Commonwealth Of Australia sponsored
- viii. Cummins Inc. Alstom Rail Program
- ix. Spee3d Deployable Metal Manufacturing

More projects are currently in the ZenithGroup pipeline.