



before attending a one-year engineering course at RAF Cosford in Shropshire. This is similar to the training given to young British technicians in the RAF.

Institute, and a further 300 Naval Personnel." "Furthermore, we provide training and career development for many of the 2,300 Saudis in our own workforce," he said.

Photo below shows: RSAF technicians in Dhahran prior to leaving for the UK with senior RSAF officers, BAE Systems management and Saudi Development and Training assessors.

The final phase of the programme will see the technicians spend 15 weeks at BAE Systems' Technical Academy in the Northwest, where they will receive hands-on training on Tornado aircraft.

"This is a significant step towards helping the RSAF develop its skill base in support of its future operational requirements," said Damian Turner, Managing Director of BAE Systems Middle East.

"It is part of a much wider commitment to training that has seen us participate in the training of over 2,000 pilots and about the same number of ground based officers. We have helped in the training of nearly 19,000 Saudis at the Technical Studies

