

Squadron Leader Douglas Vine RAF Ret'd – Vineyard Consultancy Services

Douglas Vine spent 40 years in the Royal Air Force and during this time was a key member for the introduction of the Chinook Helicopter into RAF Service in 1980. Having flown more than 4000hrs he has served in operational theatres including the Falklands, Northern Ireland, Lebanon, the Gulf & Bosnia.

In 1998 he became a member of the RAF Reserve and was appointed as the Night Vision Electro-optics and Spatial Disorientation Training Specialist at the RAF Centre of Aviation Medicine responsible for all aspects of NVEO training. Students from 14 nations attended his bespoke courses to meet a broad spectrum of military and non-military operations. He is involved in future Night Vision developments and provides advice to NATO and other forces on night operations CRM and Operational Risk Management

Vine retired from the MOD and the RAF in June 2007 and formed Vineyard Consultancy Services(VCS). He provides Human Factors specialist advice to international key-players in the defence simulation and aeromedical industry. Currently, he is working closely with AMST Systemtechnik GmbH in Austria to develop training solutions that are used internationally.

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