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Tony is a Rolls-Royce apprenticed engineer who has led a number of engineering-based companies in the USA, Denmark, Canada and the UK. Later, he was seconded to the MoD where he served as Head of DESO (Defence Export Services Organisation). He has led much fundraising activity in aid of military aviation charities. He is a Freeman of the City of London, Senior Warden to the Court of the Worshipful Company of Coachmakers and Coach Harness Makers, Liveryman of the Honourable Company of Air Pilots and Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Engineers. He attended Abingdon School and then gained an engineering degree from the University of Birmingham and an MBA with Distinction from the Harvard Business School. He then joined the Harvard University Faculty as a Lecturer. More recently he was a Visiting Professor at the UK Defence Academy, Shrivenham. He is President of the British Aviation Preservation Council and, uniquely, he was elected President of the SBAC (Society of British Aerospace Companies), President of the Royal Aeronautical Society and Chairman of the Air League. HRH the Duke of Edinburgh presented him with The Air League Gold Medal for Services to the Cause of Aviation.