

LAUNCHPAD LATEST and GREATEST

LEAPING FORWARD TOGETHER

Thanks for reading this quarter's LaunchPad update. We're thrilled to let you know about the progress we're making on our enterprise software journey. We recently replaced the Monthly User Touchbase with this communication as the go-to source for LaunchPad user info. This change keeps the community in sync as it continues to grow at lightning speed. Stay tuned for exciting developments ahead!

WHAT'S NEW

Introducing SolidWorks CAD on IL-5

We're happy to announce that we now have access to SolidWorks CAD on LaunchPad IL-5. This powerful tool can help you create detailed 3D models and designs for a variety of projects.

To access SolidWorks, log into LaunchPad and select the MS Sandbox. This sandbox is specifically designed for more graphics-intensive applications, making it the perfect environment for running SolidWorks.

Once you're in the MS Sandbox, you'll see the SolidWorks icon. Click on the icon to launch the program and start creating your designs. And don't worry about saving your work—you can save your files to your own folder and then open them up in the DES Sandbox to continue working on them.

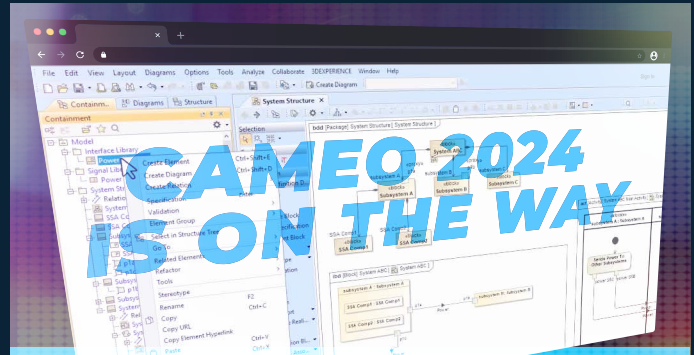
If you have any questions or need assistance using SolidWorks, don't hesitate to email the helpdesk at aflcmc.hnii.launchpad@us.af.mil. We're here to help you get the most out of this powerful tool.

Creo CAD is coming soon!

Opening up access to IL-6

We're now accepting and processing applications for LaunchPad IL-6! Please note that the onboarding process for IL-6 differs from that of IL-5.

To learn more and find details on how to apply, visit our Teams site under the ["helpful links" tab](#).



MORE GOOD NEWS

We'll soon be upgrading to Cameo 2024!

Due to Cameo 2021 reaching its end of life in February and the associated costs of maintaining both platforms, we've decided to switch entirely to Cameo 2024 in the coming weeks. Our current goal is to go live on IL-5 in December and on IL-6 in February.

Please note: When we make this change, Cameo 2021 and Cameo 2024 will NOT be running at the same time.

To prevent complications, users must update Cameo UAF models from version 1.1 to version 1.2 and unlock models by COB November 27th. This upgrade is crucial to ensure your models remain functional and compatible with Cameo 2024.

We've created two desktop shortcut icons—"CameoEA UAF 1.1" and "CameoEA UAF 1.2"—to assist you with this process. You'll use the latter icon to access the upgraded version of the UAF models. We realize this change may be inconvenient, and we apologize for any disruption. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in completing the upgrade before the deadline.

It's also important to note that, while Cameo is backward-compatible, when you upgrade to a newer version, you're unable to revert to an older one. This could potentially cause issues if you need to work on a model from an older version of Cameo and send it to a contractor who's still using the older version.

If you encounter any problems, don't hesitate to contact our support team at aflcmc.hnii.launchpad@us.af.mil. We're here to assist you and ensure a smooth transition to Cameo 2024!



BY THE NUMBERS

\$150MM+

cost avoidance for the enterprise

2,500+

account registrants

500+

three-letter organizations represented

300+

project spaces created



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PAD LAB**
virtual event

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DOWNLOAD**

Listening to the user community

In early August, the DTO hosted the LaunchPad Lab, a virtual event with over 200 DAF participants who joined to learn about the long-term vision for LaunchPad, our optimization and expansion plans, and what's up next.

Following the event, participants and the broader LaunchPad user community were invited to weigh in on which software capabilities they'd like us to prioritize moving forward. To date, we've counted over 2,800 votes across 75 tools.

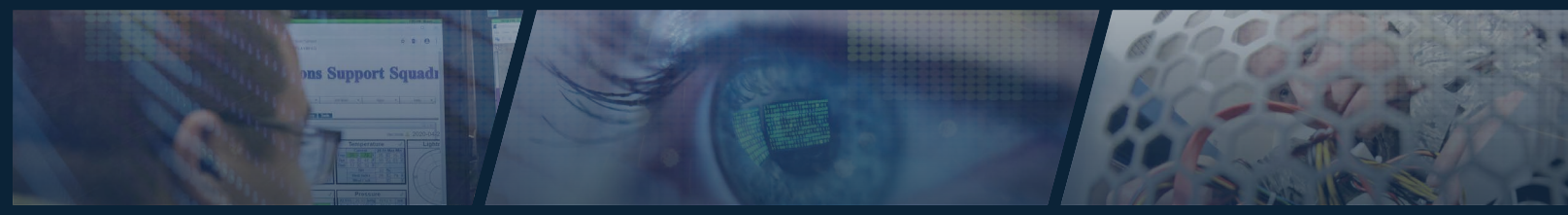
Thank you to all who shared this valuable input! If you'd like to revisit the LaunchPad Lab event, a recording is available [here](#).

Teaming up with industry

In late September, the DTO hosted the LaunchPad Industry Download, a virtual event tailored to current and potential software providers. Over 180 participants joined to hear about capabilities the DTO is seeking and the process to become a LaunchPad software provider.

After the event, we invited participants to share info on their capabilities with us via a questionnaire. If you're working with a software provider that you think should be considered for LaunchPad, please pass [our questionnaire](#) along to your contact and encourage them to submit as soon as possible.

A recording of the LaunchPad Industry Download is available [here](#).



ENABLING BETTER COLLABORATION



CV-22 Program Office (AFLCMC/WIB)

Specific to Airborne Mission Networking (AbMN), the CV-22 team is confronting a unique set of challenges as it works on the Navy Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) and collaborates with Air Force Special Operations Command (AFSOC)/SOACS for B-Kit Development and with MITRE for MBSE.

“LaunchPad has been the most helpful software environment for our efforts. It’s a better option than alternatives we’ve explored because it’s rapidly deployable to the full team and provides the specific features we care about. We’ve gotten stakeholders from all organizations into LaunchPad easily, and are now setting it up to improve collaboration. LaunchPad staff have been very responsive and helpful in providing support.”

– Jon Anisko, Systems Engineer, AFLCMC/WIB | PMA-275



Medium-Altitude UAS Division (AFLCMC/WII)

The Medium-Altitude Unmanned Aerial Systems (MAUAS) Digital Integrated Product Team (IPT) is pushing the fundamentals and edges of the evolving DMM domain. This includes being an early LaunchPad adopter. The team immediately found LaunchPad to be more reliable, easier to access, and simpler to navigate than established alternatives.


“It was like taking the training wheels off—we quickly expanded tool access to accelerate a major cultural shift to digital, a cornerstone of our DMM strategy. Over a year later, LaunchPad is enabling us to envision, start, and support major new initiatives on both IL-5 and IL-6. We’re bringing our users, customers, and partners together on LaunchPad to collaborate with greater efficiency and impact.”


– Craig Murray, System Architect, AFMC AFLCMC/WIIE


TRAINING


Be sure to check out this lineup of AFIT MBSE workshops:



 **DMM in a Model-Based Environment—WKMBSE 101**
2 hours | Online/in-person

 **Introduction to MBSE and SysML—WKMBSE 201**
1 day | Online/in-person

 **Applied MBSE using SysML—WKMBSE 301**
12 hours | Online/in-person

 **SysML Model Analysis and Evaluation—WKMBSE 401**
12 hours | Online/in-person

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