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Professional Profile

Highly experienced Export & Trade Compliance Consultant specialising in UK, EU, and US (EAR/ITAR) regulations, dual-use controls, and licensing strategy. I provide clear, practical guidance to organisations on customs procedures, export documentation, risk management and licence applications. As an accomplished trainer and presenter, I deliver engaging programmes on customs processes, strategic export controls and compliance best practice.

Core Competencies

- Export Controls (UK Strategic Controls, Dual-Use, EAR & ITAR, AUKUS 126.7)
- Customs & International Trade Compliance (UK & EU)
- Export Licensing (SIEL, OGEL, EAR99, ECCN) – Application & Advisory
- Customs Procedures, Special Regimes & Documentation Standards
- Training Design & Delivery (Customs, Export Controls, Compliance)
- Compliance Governance, Data Integrity & Record-Keeping
- Supply Chain, Logistics & Asset Control
- Stakeholder Engagement & Government/Industry Representation

Professional Experience

Chartered Institute of Export & International Trade — Customs & Trade Specialist (Jan 2021 – Present)

Deliver consultancy and training across customs compliance, export controls and licensing. Develop authoritative materials and represent the organisation across industry and government.

Jacobs Engineering Consultancy — Integrated Logistics Manager (Mar 2020 – Nov 2020)

Supported defence-linked programmes with strong focus on data integrity and controlled-item process alignment.

DHL Freight Clearance — Operations Manager (Apr 2019 – Mar 2020)

Managed customs clearance operations for non-EU shipments, specialist tax-relief procedures and regulatory accuracy.

Fastinox Ltd — Operations Manager (Feb 2016 – Apr 2019)

Led global import/export operations for automotive clients, overseeing customs documentation and logistics compliance.

GKN Aerospace — Stores Manager (Oct 2015 – Jan 2016)

Managed controlled-parts logistics and global distribution of aerospace materials.

Airbus UK — Stores Liaison / Ordering Officer (May 2013 – Oct 2015)

Improved transit performance and supported materials handling within regulated aerospace supply chains.

Cargill Meats Europe — Transport Planning Coordinator & Purchaser (Jan 2010 – Apr 2013)

Coordinated logistics and cost-efficiency programmes across complex supply routes.

General Dynamics UK Ltd — Warehouse Operations Manager (Feb 2003 – Mar 2009)

Oversaw asset control for defence programmes, managing classified materials and high-value inventory.

Professional Tagline / LinkedIn Summary

Export & Trade Compliance Consultant | Specialist in UK/EU Customs, Dual-Use Controls, EAR/ITAR & Licensing Strategy | Trainer and Presenter in Customs Procedures, Documentation & Export Controls

- UK Trade Compliance & Export Controls (Export Control Act, Dual-use, OP UKIMS)
- Country of Origin Assessment & Certificates of Origin
- Inward and Outward Processing
- Export Controls Trainer
- AEO Accreditation Trainer
- ITAR/EAR and EAR99 familiar
- Restricted Party & Embargo Screening
- Licensing & Regulatory Submissions (HMRC, BIS, Export Licensing)
- Internal & External Audit Management

- Cross-Functional Compliance Training
- Trade Compliance Program Development & Continuous Improvement
- Data Analysis & Reporting for Trade & Customs Compliance

Executive Bio

Andy Bridges is a senior Export & Trade Compliance Consultant with extensive expertise across UK/EU customs law, strategic export controls, dual-use regulations and US EAR/ITAR frameworks. Known for transforming complex regulatory requirements into practical, operationally sound solutions, he advises organisations across defence, aerospace, engineering and advanced manufacturing. Andy is also a highly regarded trainer and presenter, delivering clear, engaging programmes on customs procedures, export documentation and licensing strategy for global businesses and government-linked sectors.