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Preface

Globally the news media, popular culture and private citizens are sensationalizing “drones.” The term “drone” alone implies unmanned and autonomous. The reader will note that the editors of this book went to great lengths to deemphasize the term drone in favor of the more accurate term, Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS). RPAS represent a system of systems that rely on human inputs, interactions and operations. RPAS have also been referred to as Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS), Unmanned Air Vehicles (UAV) and Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA). We chose the RPAS terminology to emphasize that these aircraft exist *within a system*, an incredibly complex system of systems. *Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems: A Human Systems Integration Perspective* sets forth to fuse the practices of Human Systems Integration (HSI) with the complexity of RPAS.

For at least a decade, the human factors of RPAS has been the continued focus of a community of scientists, engineers and practitioners. Their efforts have been highlighted in various workshops, conferences and books and range from the design of effective ground control stations to crew coordination, spatial disorientation, supervisory control of multiple vehicles, soda straw views of camera feed, and training and selection. Much progress has been made, but this progress has given way to a different, more complex set of new HSI problems. For example, current pressing issues include the integration of RPAS into the national airspace, training and certification of civilian pilots, and the exploitation of sensor data from these platforms and concomitant privacy concerns. We explore these issues in detail in this book.

Many people confuse the discipline of Human Factors with HSI. HSI is more than Human Factors; it is human-centered systems engineering. Human Factors are typically narrow in scope and the methods within the discipline are best suited for smaller systems. HSI encompasses multiple domains. It provides a framework in which human capabilities and limitations across various dimensions are considered in the context of a dynamic system of people, technology, environment, tasks, and other systems with the ultimate goal of achieving system resilience and adaptation, approaching joint optimization. The human dimensions include human factors, manpower, training, personnel, safety, survivability, and habitability.

HSI also considers large multi-layered sociotechnical systems which is more than just the RPAS as an air vehicle, but includes the ground control station and crew, the related systems for maintenance, take-off and landing, training, and all embedded in a larger organizational structure such as the Department of Defense or Federal Aviation Administration. HSI considers simultaneous constraints and interoperability of all layers of the system and complex interactions. When system development does not consider the larger context even though

development of a local component may be optimized, the larger system is poised for failure. For instance, an interface to support control of an RPAS should not be designed without consideration of the systems to support communications of its position and sensor information. The difficulty is that this kind of systems thinking requires teams of multidisciplinary individuals working together toward a solution.

The book highlights the importance of the systems approach. We offer that such considerations of tradeoffs, interactions within the system, unintended consequences, emergent behaviors of complex systems, systems embedded in context, and the reduction of stovepipes are keys to successful system development and operation. A systems approach requires personnel from a variety of fields to collaborate and communicate to accomplish a common goal – a fully integrated system.

The book also provides a baseline definition for RPAS framed by the tenets of HSI. The editors strived to identify and collaborate with those most skilled in both the fields of RPAS and HSI. The authors of the chapters have varied backgrounds and experience to include military and civilian RPAS operators, industry professionals, governmental agency subject matter experts, and professionals from academia. Our hope is that with the vast perspectives covered in the text we will be able to shed some light on the intricacies of the HSI issues within RPAS.

The chapters in this book are inter-related and the order of the chapters is deliberate. We strongly recommend starting with Chapter 1 as it sets the terms of reference and the baseline for the entire book and provides important operational definitions that will be referred to throughout the text. The compilation of this book was a true collaborative effort across multiple disciplines. The editors would like to express our sincere gratitude to the authors who participated in developing this manuscript. Each and every single author spent countless hours collaborating within and across the chapter teams. These experts in their respective fields were motivated to provide a common operating picture to improve the HSI components of RPAS today and moving forward.

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Human Systems Integration for Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems

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1.1 What is HSI?

Drones have received much attention in the press and the topic can stir up many debates about privacy, safety, and asymmetric warfare. Also referred to as Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) or Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) or Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS), they are not really unmanned, but instead, operated by many humans who serve as pilots, sensor operators, maintainers, and mission planners. As a possible side effect of the tendency to forget about these humans, the focus has too often been on the technology and not the human components of the system. The purpose of this edited volume is to highlight the human components of these systems, their interactions with the technology and each other, and the implications of human capabilities and limitations for the larger system. A Human Systems Integration (HSI) perspective is taken that considers humans as part of a large and interconnected system of technology, humans, and other systems.

In 2006 an edited volume was published by Elsevier on *Human Factors of Remotely Operated Vehicles* to which many of the authors of chapters in this volume contributed (Cooke *et al.* 2006). Topics included traditional human factors issues such as supervisory control, errors, human-machine interface issues, control of multiple vehicles, and team control. Nearly 10 years later we are revisiting some of these same topics, within a new landscape of RPAS that includes a much wider variety of systems and applications including civilian applications and plans to integrate these vehicles into the National Airspace System (NAS). It is acknowledged that the landscape has further changed between the completion of the writing of this book and its publication. In addition, many of the topics addressed in the 2006 volume were addressed in a piecemeal fashion. For example, a display may be designed with a synthetic overlay of target waypoints,

which is intended to enhance the operator's situation awareness, only to raise other issues such as increased screen clutter, increased workload, and new training and selection demands. In other words, failure to consider the whole system and the complex interactions of its human and machine components, along with many different aspects of human concerns, can have unintended consequences. This perspective is known as HSI.

HSI is a framework in which human capabilities and limitations across various dimensions are considered in the context of a dynamic system of people, technology, environment, tasks, and other systems with the ultimate goal of achieving system resilience and adaptation, approaching joint optimization. The human dimensions considered include human factors, manpower, training, personnel, safety, and occupational health, environment, survivability, and habitability (Durso et al. in press; US Air Force 2009). The HSI environment includes not only the physical, operational, and technological aspects of a mission but also the economic, political, and social components. For RPAS, these last three are critical as numerous and diverse civilian applications promise enhanced economic gain while being debated on safety and privacy concerns. Although survivability is less of a concern in the use of drones, rocket launch systems as well as manual recovery systems have resulted in injury to crews. HSI is not the same as human factors, though one dimension of HSI is human factors. The other dimensions are often not thought of as part of traditional human factors and bring other disciplines such as industrial organizational psychology, organizational management, and operations engineering into the mix. Importantly, HSI is not simply the consideration of each of these dimensions in the context of a problem, but it involves understanding the problem from a systems perspective. This means that one cannot attend to a problem in one part of the system without also considering how changes will impact upon other systems' components. For instance, one should not design a display for sensor data without considering the ways those data will be used by the sensor operator, or without integrating the display with other displays used by the sensor operator, or without considering other dimensions such as training and selection that may be related.

1.2 Why HSI of RPAS?

The history of HSI in the context of RPAS is one of neglect (see Chapter 2). RPAS for military use were developed as experimental platforms without consideration of HSI and fielded early before HSI could be addressed even as an afterthought. Accident and mishap data for RPAS suggest that there are a number of shortcomings that have resulted from this neglect (Asim *et al.* 2010). The focus on the technology took a front seat to human concerns, even though there are many humans on the ground involved in their operation. But RPAS goes beyond human-machine or human-cockpit interaction. The other part of RPAS, which makes HSI essential is the nature of the system itself. There are multiple components of the system including the aircraft and the Ground Control System (GCS), themselves two large and complex systems. Interestingly, the focus on the technology has tended to be on the aircraft itself, rather than the GCS. This is paramount to focusing on a plane, but excluding the cockpit.

Further, as we consider questions such as sensor data exploitation or integration of RPAS into the NAS it becomes clear that additional components of the system need to be considered including sites dedicated to imagery analysis, other manned aircraft, air traffic control, and multiple remotely piloted aircraft systems. In addition, there is significant diversity in terms of RPAS platforms. It is a challenge to consider the implications that change in one part of a complex system has on other parts. The field of HSI has developed some approaches to

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