

Brian Wynne President and CEO



Brian Wynne is president and CEO of the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI), the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to the advancement of unmanned systems and robotics. AUVSI represents more than 7,000 members from more than 60 countries involved in the fields of government, industry and academia. AUVSI members work in the defense, civil and commercial markets.

As an influential industry thought leader, in September of 2017 Wynne was appointed by the Secretary of Transportation to a three-year term on the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Management Advisory Council (MAC), which provides counsel to the FAA on policy and regulatory matters, as well as the agency's management and spending. He is also a member of the Drone Advisory Committee (DAC), a federal advisory committee of key decision-makers formed by the FAA to support the safe introduction of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) into the nation's airspace.

Additionally, Wynne is a member of the FAA's Unmanned Aircraft Safety Team (UAST),

which is comprised of stakeholders from government and the aviation industry that gather and analyze data to enhance UAS safety and operations. He also served on the FAA's UAS Registration Task Force and Micro UAS Aviation Rulemaking Committee.

Wynne brings in-depth experience in transportation and technology applications gained through leadership roles with industry associations and public-private partnerships. Prior to joining AUVSI in 2015, he was president and CEO of the Electric Drive Transportation Association (EDTA), the trade association promoting battery, hybrid, plug-in hybrid, and fuel cell electric drive technologies and infrastructure.

Before being selected to lead EDTA in 2004, Wynne was senior vice president for business and trade at the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITSA). Previously, he led a global technology association as CEO of the Association for Automatic Identification and Mobility (AIM). He has also served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations. Wynne started his career as a legislative assistant to U.S. Sen. Charles Percy of Illinois.

Wynne earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Scranton and a master's degree from the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University. He was also a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Cologne in Germany.

For more than 20 years, Wynne has been an instrument-rated, general aviation pilot and recently received a commercial pilot certificate. He flies a Socata Trinidad. Wynne also holds a Remote Pilot License to operate small unmanned aircraft systems.

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