

Annual INCOSE International Symposium

The 2015 International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) International Symposium (IS2015) will be held July 13-16, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency Bellevue in Seattle, Wash. The symposium returns to Seattle, the location of the first open symposium in 1992, to celebrate its 25th anniversary and highlight the progress that the past 25 years have wrought as fledgling INCOSE has grown into today's INCOSE. The original statement of goals has withstood the test of time, among them the goal to promote international collaboration in systems engineering practice, education, and research, which is exactly the goal of IS2015. INCOSE's Annual International Symposium is the largest annual gathering of systems engineers for four days of presentations, case studies, workshops, tutorials, and panel discussions. The program attracts an international mix of professionals at all levels, and includes practitioners in government and industry, as well as educators and researchers. The benefits for systems engineers attending the symposium include the opportunity to share ideas; network; build competency; pursue certification; contribute to the advancement of the profession through collaboration on tools, processes, and methodologies; learn about new offerings in training and education; and forge new partnerships. Register online at <http://events.incose.org/registrationFees>.

FITARA Implementation Symposium Series

The first offering of the Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA) Symposium series will be held June 30, 2015, at the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington, Va. The FITARA represents the most comprehensive overhaul of government information technology since Clinger-Cohen. The first offering will be Symposium Series I: Exploring the First Step to FITARA Implementation: Governance and the Challenges and Impact to Government and Industry. The Office of Management and Budget is currently preparing implementation guidance for the requirements of the law; however, each federal agency will need to develop its own implementation policies and processes. The Association for Enterprise Integration (AFEI) is hosting this series to help government agencies and their industry partners understand more about how the legislation affects them, examine the challenges they will face, and help agencies take steps to implement FITARA using an agile and outcome-driven approach. The events will showcase best practices and benefits, and help agencies develop a road map to successful implementation and demonstrable results. This series of events will also provide industry a better understanding of how to support agency efforts. For more information, contact Tammy Kicker at tkicker@ndia.org or register online at <http://www.afei.org/events/5A40/Pages/default.aspx>.

58th Annual Fuze Conference

The 58th Annual Fuze Conference will be held July 7-9, 2015, at the Hilton Baltimore in Baltimore, Md. The theme for the 2015 conference will be "Fuzing in a Challenging Environment." The 58th Annual NDIA Fuze Conference welcomes the participation of both domestic and allied fuze designers, manufacturers and component suppliers, and research organizations along with government representatives. This year's theme is "Fuzing in a Challenging Environment." This conference provides the opportunity to discuss and share ideas to help advance the state-of-the-art for the next generation of fuzing that meets the users' needs. For more information, contact Loey Bleich at lbleich@ndia.org or 703-247-2588. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/5560/Pages/default.aspx>.

NDIA Annual CBRN Defense Conference and Exhibition

The National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) Annual Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) Defense Conference and Exhibition will be held July 21-23, 2015, at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Edgewood, Md. The purpose of the NDIA Annual CBRN Defense Conference and Exhibition is to promote the positive exchange of information (scientific, technical, and operational) relating to the subject of defense against Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and the ever-growing CBRN threat around the world and in the nation's homeland. This conference will provide both government and industry the opportunity to understand and better support current and future CBRN joint program requirements and to identify potential business opportunities associated with each of them. The conference also will provide a venue by which to spotlight the emerging CBRN defense national and international technologies, along with promising research and development opportunities. For more information, contact Adrienne White at awhite@ndia.org or 703-247-2570. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/5300/Pages/default.aspx>.

How Washington Works®—Navigating the DoD

The "How Washington Works®—Navigating the DoD" two-day training course will be conducted July 22-23, 2015, at WBB, Inc., in Reston, Va. Ever wondered how the Department of Defense (DoD) goes about buying something from start to finish? The How Washington Works® training course gives those who attend the understanding and insights into the processes that guide DoD actions and decisions for the future. The two-day course is a fast-paced overview of the three principal DoD decision-making support systems and how they are used by the Army, Navy, Air

Force, Marine Corps, and U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) to provide an integrated approach to strategic planning, capabilities needs assessment, systems acquisition, and program and budget development. How Washington Works® is ideal for those who are new to or routinely do business with the DoD. Participants will be provided the fundamental concepts and background of the Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS), Defense Acquisition System (DAS), and the Planning, Programming, Budgeting and Execution (PPBE) process. Participants will then review how the individual Services and USSOCOM implement the DoD processes through their requirements generation and justification, and PPBE organizations through their tailored internal processes and their current strategic resource priorities. The course is taught by a cadre of highly qualified and experienced instructors who have extensive prior government service (military and civilian) as well as continued expertise through ongoing consulting and technical services. For more information, contact L. Bleich at bleich@ndia.org or 703-247-2588. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/543D/Pages/default.aspx>.

National Contract Management Association World Congress 2015

The National Contract Management Association (NCMA) World Congress 2015 will be held July 26–29, 2015, at the Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center in Grapevine, Tex. The theme of the 2015 Congress is “The Innovative Edge to Contract Management.” NCMA World Congress 2015 is the premier education event for contract management, procurement, and acquisition professionals. Individuals from government and industry come to conduct an open dialogue to exchange ideas, conquer challenges, and innovate for the future of the profession. Register online at <http://www.ncmaworldcongress.org/registration>.

Global Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Symposium & Exhibition

The Global Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Symposium & Exhibition will be held July 27–28, 2015, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center in Bethesda, Md. The theme for the 2015 symposium will be “Technology and Training Enablers for EOD 2025.” Join the National Defense Industrial Association, in partnership with the EOD Warrior Foundation, and recognized experts from government, military, and industry in thought-provoking presentations and panels to address the training and technology requirements for the Joint Service EOD force into 2025. This symposium will examine EOD operational needs, supported by industry’s advances in training and technology, as the nation’s warfighters encounter ever-evolving, more complex improvised explosive devices, weapons of mass destruction, and

unexploded ordnance threats. Sessions will also address emerging maritime and interagency missions as the EOD force transitions following a decade of sustained land combat. For more information, contact Molly Holt at mholt@ndia.org or 703-247-2572. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/5950/Pages/default.aspx>.

2015 Warheads & Ballistics Classified Symposium

The 2015 Warheads & Ballistics Classified Symposium will be held Aug. 3–8, 2015, at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. This jointly sponsored symposium combines the Ballistic Division’s 16th Classified Ballistics Symposium with the Bomb & Warhead Division’s 63rd Annual Bomb & Warhead Technical Symposium. The meeting provides a forum for classified, export-controlled, and limited distribution papers in the areas of ballistics, weapons effectiveness, and bomb and warhead technology. The symposium is classified at the SECRET/NOFORN level and is limited to the following U.S. agencies: Department of Defense (DoD), DoD contractors, Department of Energy, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Central Intelligence Agency, and Department of Homeland Security. The objective of the Warheads and Ballistics Classified Symposium is to provide researchers, developers, and program managers (from government, academia, and industry) a forum for the exchange of information on current work related to the advancement of the technology and application of ballistics and weapon systems. For security clearance information, contact Kristi Rehor at 540-644-2075. For other conference information, contact Loey Bleich at lbleich@ndia.org or 703-247-2588. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/5480/Pages/default.aspx>.

12th Annual National Convention of Service Disabled Veteran and Small Businesses

The 12th Annual National Convention of Service Disabled Veteran and Small Businesses will be held Aug. 19–21, 2015, at the Hotel Maya (DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton) in Long Beach, Calif. The Elite Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Business Network is a Nationwide 501(c)(19) Veterans Organization with the mission of assisting Service-Disabled Veterans to start and grow their businesses. The goal of this conference is to further that cause and provide Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOB) opportunities to meet and partner with government agencies and prime vendors who understand the value of utilizing SDVOB partners. The Elite SDVOB Conference promises to bring SDVOBs together with the corporations and government agencies that believe in the unique value-added our nation’s veterans bring to the table. The Elite SDVOB Network has built a national organization that has been able to guide thousands of veterans toward the possibility of achieving

the American Dream which they have sacrificed so much to protect. Register online at <http://sdvobconference.com/>.

2015 Joint Service Power Expo

The 2015 Joint Service Power Expo will be held Aug. 24-27, 2015, at the Duke Energy Convention Center in Cincinnati, Oh. The theme for the Power Expo will be "Smarter, Faster, Cheaper Power for the Future." This Expo focuses on near-term energy technologies that can enhance warfighter capabilities, reduce the dependence on energy, and minimize the logistics burden associated with energy in the battlespace. It is an interactive forum dedicated to discussing the challenges and demonstrating the solutions of all forms of portable and mobile power and energy technologies. This three-day event also brings together an audience of those in industry and DoD who are responsible for the design, development, and usage of portable & mobile power, in addition to the decision makers who influence the acquisition of power and energy-related products and services. There is no more productive venue available to showcase existing power products, demonstrate new power products and technologies, network with industry and government officials, and provide power-related solutions to customers. For more information, contact Angie R. DeKleine at adekleine@ndia.org or 703-247-2599. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/5670/Pages/default.aspx>.

2015 Annual Tactical Wheeled Vehicles Conference

The 2015 Annual Tactical Wheeled Vehicles Conference will be held Aug. 24-26, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency Reston in Reston, Va. This year's conference theme will be "Tactical Wheeled Vehicles: Looking to the Future." The primary objective of the Tactical Wheeled Vehicle Division of the National Defense Industrial Association is to enhance the security of the United States by promoting communications and interaction between defense industry, government, and military in the area of automotive activities. The specific charter of the Tactical Wheeled Vehicle Division is to conduct conferences in technology areas directly related to automotive research, design, development, test, and production. This conference is intended to present advanced technology and provide for an exchange of information and an interchange of views between defense industry, government and military representatives. The effective cooperation between these three groups is vital to the nation's defense effort in the tactical wheeled vehicle area. Each group will bring unique inputs to the 2015 conference. For more information, contact Angie R. DeKleine at adekleine@ndia.org or 703-247-2599. Register online at <http://www.ndia.org/meetings/5530/Pages/default.aspx>.

TECHNET Augusta 2015

TECHNET Augusta 2015, sponsored by the Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association (AFCEA) International, will be held Aug. 25-27, 2015, at the Augusta Marriott in Augusta, Ga. TECHNET Augusta 2015 provides a forum for key military professionals from the U.S. Defense Department, armed services, and U.S. Coast Guard to discuss issues and share ideas. Government, industry, and academic speakers address a broad range of topics and focus on the importance of the network, security issues, and training to enable operational forces to modernize and be ready to meet emerging challenges in 2025 and beyond. In addition to high-level military speakers and panelists, this three-day interactive forum offers industry the opportunity to meet with potential partners and clients on the convention center exhibit floor. Register online at <http://events.jspargo.com/Augusta15/Public/Enter.aspx>.

NDIA 27th Navy Gold Coast Small Business Procurement Event

The National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) 27th Navy Gold Coast Small Business Procurement Event will be held Aug. 25-26, 2015, at the San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, Calif. The theme for the 2015 event will be "Building Our Future Together, Through Innovation and Technology." The Gold Coast Conference is to provide a forum to educate, guide, and assist businesses, especially small businesses, in working with the government, primarily the Department of Defense. NDIA is working to bring Informative and motivating speakers to present topics of interest regarding working with the government, specifically the Department of the Navy. Plan on attending exciting and relevant general/plenary and break-out sessions. Register online at <http://www.navygoldcoast.org/>.