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FOREWORD: REVIEWING 2018 AND LOOKING AHEAD TO 2019

The 4th and 5th iterations of Defence IQ's ISR and C2 Battle Management conference charted the development of multi-domain command and control as a transformative concept for the US and its Five Eyes partners. In 2017, the conference looked at ISR 'today and tomorrow', conducting a forward-leaning assessment of the threats to a previously unchallenged information dominance, and identifying those disruptive technologies that had the potential to deliver decision advantage for the future warfighter. Last November, the conference moved on, refining the MDC2 concept and applying it to accelerate the development of next-generation ISR capability.

The 2019 conference will pick up where the last conference left off, engaging more explicitly with the operationalization of MDC2 and those capabilities that the concept has driven forward. As the demands of long-term strategic competition urge readiness for a peer-level fight – where adversarial capabilities match or even outstrip our own – the Five Eyes nations have accepted that there may not be time fully to develop and field those technologies which are considered intrinsic to sustaining decisive information assurance. With adversaries focused on targeting battle networks, the challenge for industry and for uniformed leaders at every level – strategic, operational and tactical – is to sustain the integrity of assured C2 even when information superiority cannot be guaranteed. The priority, in other words, is to assure the mission, no matter how contested or degraded the operational environment becomes.

With this direction in mind, ISR and C2 Battle Management USA 2019 will engage with the following key subject areas:

- Integrating cyber within the MDC2 concept, and delivering a defence information architecture which is robust enough to sustain force integration and reach back in a CDO environment
- Accelerating doctrinal transformation and updating TTPS to enable the joint warfighter to sustain and exploit decision advantage for future contested operations
- Exploring the limits of distributed command and control and supporting effective real-time decision-making at the tactical edge
- Driving the development of space - and counter-space - capabilities and embedding them within the multi-domain operational concept
- Pushing forward the application of AI, big data and machine learning to support the advanced processing and exploitation of data for the complex battlespace



"I found the conference extremely valuable for direct contact and insights from senior DoD leadership"

– A 2018 attendee, Raytheon

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"Very good conference. The conceptual delivery of the briefs was clearly given and it is always interesting to see where different militaries and industry partners are heading"

– 2018 attendee, UK MoD



PAST ATTENDEES

PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT AND MILITARY ATTENDEES INCLUDE:

- Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance
- A2, HQ USAF
- Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Emerging Capability & Prototyping)
- Assistant Chief of Staff C2ISR, HQ Air Command
- Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence
- Branch Chief
- Branch Chief & Director Military Intelligence Air
- Branch Head Navy Plans & Requirements
- C2 Requirements Branch Chief
- C4 ISR Department Head
- Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence, G-2
- Deputy Chief, Aerospace Warning Branch
- Deputy Chief, Air Force GEOINT and Targeting Division - AF/A2CG
- Deputy Chief, ISR Collection Capabilities
- Deputy Chief, ISR Requirements Branch
- Deputy Joint IC and Coalition ISR Interoperability
- Director of Information Warfare, Director of Intelligence - HQ Air Combat Command
- Director, Advanced Space, Multi-Domain Command and Control and Nuclear Enterprise
- Director, Advanced Strategy
- Division Director, Cyber Security Division (CSD) & SVIP
- J2 Director, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance
- Senior Cyber Analyst - C4ISR Dept
- Under Secretary Of Defense For Intelligence

PREVIOUS INDUSTRY ATTENDEES INCLUDE:



2018 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS



Actualizing MDC2 Technology: Priorities for Enabling Multi Domain C2 & ISR

Mr. Jack Blackhurst SES, Executive Director, **Air Force Research Laboratory**

In his 2018 presentation, Mr Blackhurst reiterated the view of the USAF Chief of Staff, General Goldfein, that modern deterrence depends on an ability to globally create multi-domain dilemmas at high-speed, and the outcome of the future fight will be decided by which side possesses an information advantage. Although we are currently conducting multi-domain operations, they are manpower intensive, not fast enough and commanders have to call and request support from other domains, to name a few challenges.

Mr Blackhurst shared three priorities which were the outcome of the 2017 MDC2 ECCT Technology Team:

1. The need to secure data-sharing across distributed teams
2. Generating the ability to tactically change analytic and planning tools
3. Creating assured, resilient communications

Through the SDPE Global Lightning Experiment, the Air Force is looking to lease commercial space internet services to the warfighters, in a bid to provide them with an affordable solution for high bandwidth, low latency and jam/cyber resilience. Mr Blackhurst also highlighted the Air Force's need for an LEO constellation for missions such as Communications, ISR and PNT. Live-fly testing was due to start in December 2018 and should continue through to 2022 until Operational Capability is achieved.

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**MR BLACKHURST WILL BE RETURNING
TO THIS YEAR'S ISR & C2 BATTLE
MANAGEMENT USA CONFERENCE.**

To view the full speaker panel and sessions,
download the agenda [here](#).

"This conference offers valuable insight
on current and future ISR challenges"

— 2018 attendee, US Navy

2018 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS



U.S. ARMY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING COMMAND Network / C3I S&T Strategy

Michael Monteleone SES, Director of Space & Terrestrial Communications
Directorate, **U.S. Army CERDEC**

The network and C3I S&T Strategy of the U.S. Army aims to respond to the following problem statement: the current network is too complex, fragile, not sufficiently mobile nor expeditionary, and will not survive against a peer adversary, especially in a contested and congested environment.

In order to fix the issue, the U.S. Army needs to find adapt and buy new solutions to improve the current network by implementing these action points:

- Halt programs that do not meet operational requirements
- Fix capabilities required to be used quickly
- Pivot towards a new modernization approach, leveraging innovations in the commercial sector and using proven joint/SOF solutions

Mr Monteleone defined the following lines of effort for U.S. Army:

- Unified network
- Common Operating Environment
- Joint/Coalition Interoperability
- Command Post Mobility and Survivability

He sees the future network as a complex set of diverse systems that are integrated and easy to operate continuously, and which will enable the U.S. Army to retain tactical advantage in a near-peer environment.

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Want to know more? Join us at this year's ISR and C2 Battle Management USA conference to hear from:

Brigadier General Johnny K Davis, Commanding General, Joint Modernization Command, U.S Army will deliver a keynote presentation on modernizing the Army to enhance multi-domain Command and Control.

Vice Admiral Frank Pandolfe (Ret.), former Assistant to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (2015-2017) will moderate a panel on delivering an agile, resilient network to enable multi-domain Command and Control.

To view the full speaker panel and sessions, download the [agenda here](#).



2018 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS



DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE INNOVATION & THE IT ENTERPRISE

Lieutenant General Bradford Shwedo, Director, C4 / Cyber;
Chief Information Officer, **Joint Staff, J6**

Lieutenant General Shwedo highlighted during his presentation the National Defense Strategy's focus on the high-end fight and the shift towards winning in all scenarios against potential adversaries that have been observed for the past 20-30 years.

He presented the following as necessary to enable global information sharing:

- Secure communications between nodes
- Global Secure Access – smart data & credentials
- Common C2 and real-time situational awareness
- DoD Foundational Services & Apps – shared applications, data and capabilities

Today's strategic environment has evolved through the proliferation of advanced technologies, conflicts involved in all domains, adversaries searching for asymmetric attack axis against the U.S. and a global demand for forces that exceeds the inventory.

[VIEW THE FULL PRESENTATION HERE](#)



"The U.S. Government, industry, and Coalition presentations were excellent. It drives the need to have a continued partnership into the future"

– 2018 attendee, U.S. Air Force

2018 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The U.S. Armed Forces are looking to achieve global military integration for J6, which is an iterative process to integrate planning, prioritize resources and assess progress towards strategic objectives. Its intent is to strategically integrate operations worldwide, enabling decision-making and supporting an advantage against any adversary.

Lieutenant General Shwedo defined some of the near-term targets of global integration as follows:

- Shifting the focus to the Contested Environment
- Broadening the cyber focus to incorporate a larger Information Warfare enterprise
- Enhancing communications across all services
- Implementing a partnership with the DoD CIO
- Fostering an environment of innovation

Want to know more? Join us at this year's ISR and C2 Battle Management USA conference to hear from:

Mr Kenneth Bray SES, Acting Associate Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, Headquarters U.S. Air Force.

Rear Admiral Scott Bishop, Commander, Canadian Forces Intelligence Command

Lieutenant General David A. Deptula, Dean, Mitchell Institute of Aerospace Power Studies will moderate a senior leaders panel on intelligence and C2 in a multi-domain era, with the current confirmed panelists:

- Brigadier General James Cluff, Director of Remotely Piloted Aircraft and Big Wing Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, US Air Force
- Dr Charles Perkins, Principal Deputy to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Emerging Capability & Prototyping), Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering (ASD(R&E))



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LightSpace Technologies are the global leader in development of a 3-dimensional real-time volumetric imaging display that delivers physically deep images that can be used without glasses, or helmets, and with no visual fatigue. They are truly Field of Light displays providing real-time video bandwidth, wide field of view multi-plane images with precise detail and high spatial resolution in three coordinates. LightSpace Technologies 3D image displays are developed in traditional Front View architecture with 19 to 27 inch screens to be used for workstations, as well as new Augmented Reality "Sand Box" S-series 39 to 54 inch bench top architecture. They are able to visualize of complex data states relative to geography, create easy to perceive 3D imagery. The key use areas for volumetric 3D image display technology are expected to be: Airspace Management, Command and Control systems 3D displays, Satellite orbit analysis, Underwater 3D sonar, 3D radar, Command and Control systems 3D displays, general computational graphics, scientific 3D visualization, medical data imaging (X-ray / MRI CT and ultrasonic 3D data image), gaming and augmented reality in various applications.

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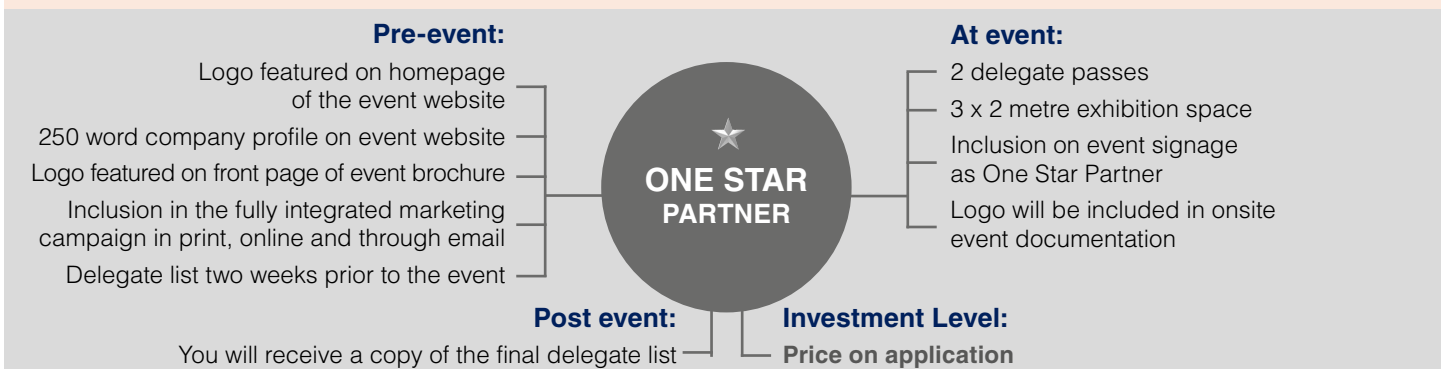
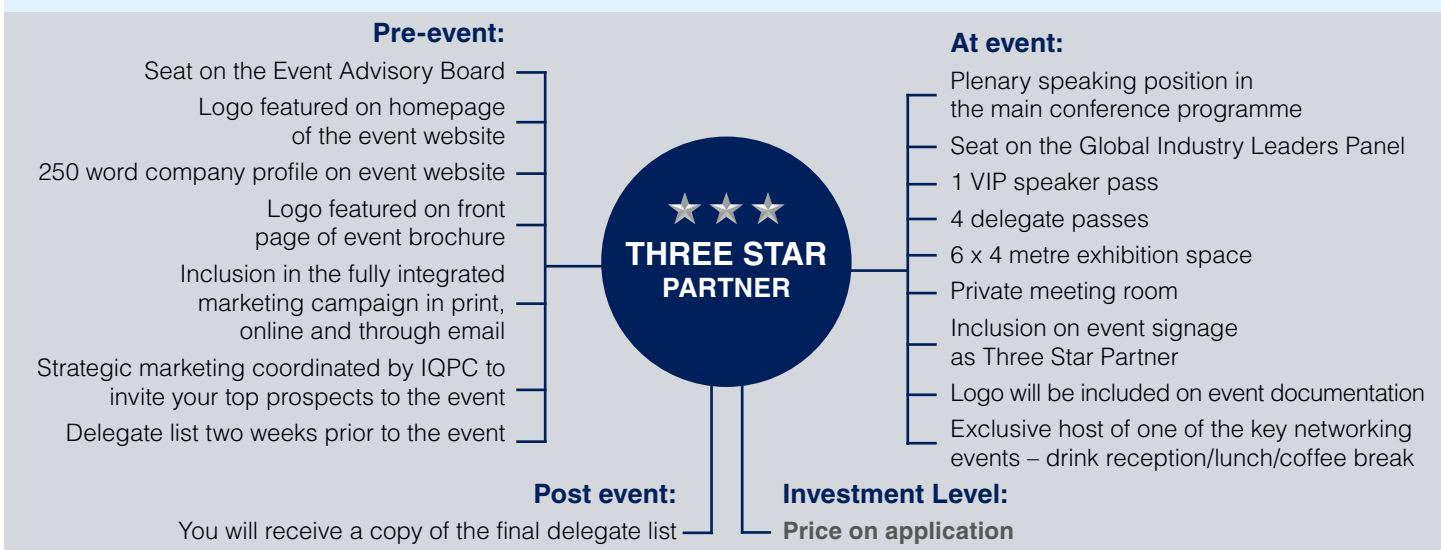
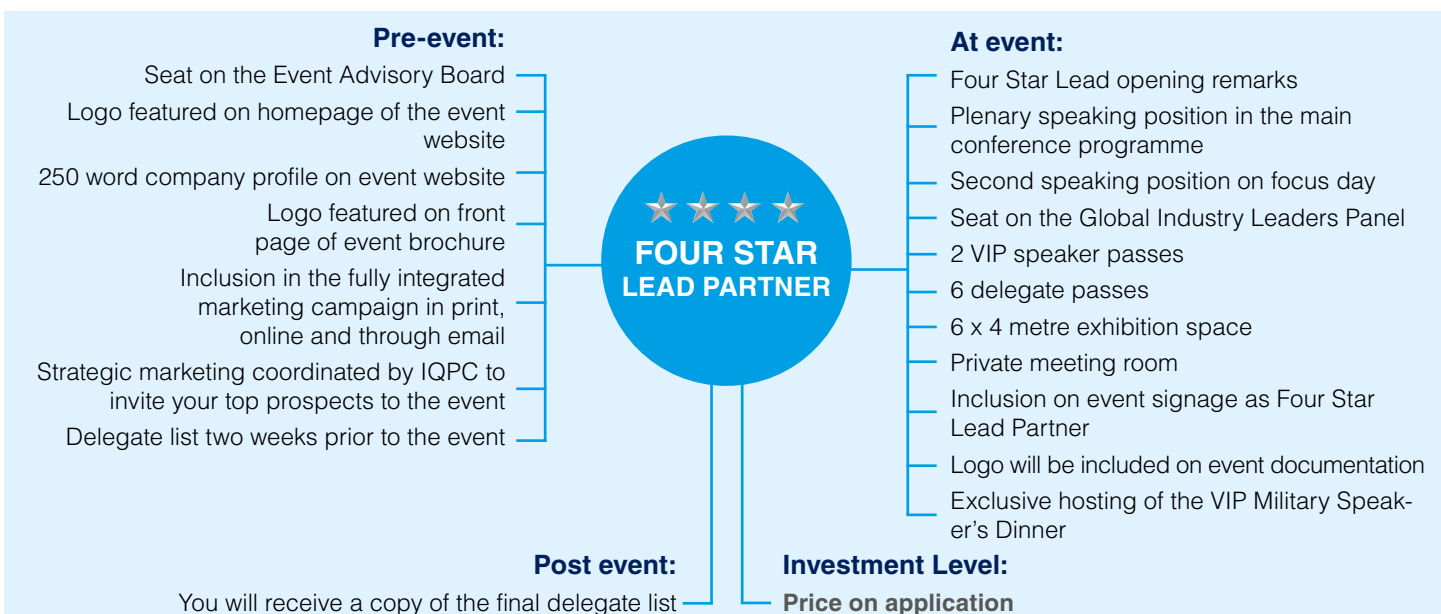


"I enjoyed the panel discussions and the mix of government and industry"

– 2018 attendee, Modus Operandi



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2019 speakers:

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Rear Admiral Scott Bishop, Commander, **Canadian Forces Intelligence Command**

Randall G. Walden SES, Director and Program Executive Officer, Rapid Capabilities Office, **US Air Force**

Brigadier General James Cluff, Director of Remotely Piloted Aircraft and Big Wing Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, **US Air Force**

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Mr Rob Murray, Head of Section, Intelligence, Land and Maritime, Defence Investment Division, **NATO**

Mr Patrick J O'Neill, Director, C5ISR Center, **US Army Combat Capabilities Development Command**

Mr. Thomas "Shotgun" Browning, Director, Adaptive Capabilities Office (ACO), **DARPA**

Captain Matthew Fraenzimmer, Chief Information and Technology Officer, Patrol and Reconnaissance Group, **US Navy**

Colonel Mike McGinley, Defence Engagement Team Lead, Defense Innovation Unit, **US Department of Defense**

Colonel Max Pearson, Commander, 480th Wing, **US Air Force**

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