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TGIC Exchange Briefing June 2nd “Acquisition Workforce Opportunities and Challenges”

The next Tidewater Government Industry Council (TGIC) Exchange Brief is scheduled for June 2, 2009, 0830-1130, at the Meyera Oberndorf (formerly Central) Library in Virginia Beach. A distinguished panel and the audience will discuss “Acquisition Workforce Opportunities and Challenges” from the Government and Industry viewpoints, both from Government and Industry’s respective internal perspectives as well as the competition for resources and interaction between Government and Industry acquisition professionals.

Confirmed panelists include Mr. Elliott Branch, Chief of Staff for Policy in the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Acquisition and Logistics Management (DASN ALM), and Mr. Stan Soloway, President of the Professional Services Council. Mr. Branch served most recently as the Executive Director of Contracts for the Naval Sea Systems Command, and Mr. Soloway served previously as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition Reform (USD AT&L). The panel moderator will be Mr. Jeff Brunner, Contract and Acquisition Management Officer (CAMO) at the U. S. Joint Forces and former Executive Director of the Naval Center for Acquisition Training and Associate Dean of the Norfolk Campus of the Defense Acquisition University. Their considerable and varied acquisition experience and insight into workforce challenges promise a highly informative and lively discussion among the panel and our Government and Industry audience.

The topic for our quarterly Exchange Brief was the result of recurring discussion at TGIC meetings the past several months led by TGIC's Acquisition Workforce Working Group co-chaired by Mr. Al Diaz, Director of Corporate Contracts at NEXCOM, and Mr. Don Remy, a professor at Tidewater Community College, both of whom have extensive Government contracting backgrounds. All TGIC activities focus on mutual education and training as well as policy and process improvements to Warfighter support and stewardship to the Taxpayer.

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President's Corner

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Josh Jackson of SAIC for his informative presentation on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). It was a great presentation that created a lot of discussion from our members on the challenges we face with the severe shortfalls of professionals anticipated in the area of STEM and how we can work together to improve our current situation.

We have a great year ahead of us, and we hope you are able to join us for some of our upcoming events. The Joint Warfighting Conference is in full swing at the Virginia Beach Convention Center from May 12-14, and the Charleston Defense Contractors Association (CDCA) is holding its Third Annual Government and Industry Conference: "C5ISR Innovations, Initiatives, and Technology Insertion in Support of Global Netcentric Operations" at the North Charleston, SC Convention Center December 1-4, 2009. Sponsorship opportunities are available by contacting Bob Hayes at Robert.hayes@mantechech.com or at 843-566-9755.

Upcoming monthly TASC luncheons will include guest speakers Captain Matthews, Mayor Will Sessoms, and Representative Glenn Nye. Also, please join us for our monthly TGIC meetings which are held the 2nd Thursday of each month at UNISYS, 600 Lynnhaven Parkway, Suite 101, Virginia Beach, VA 23452-7319 at 8:00. No reservations are required to attend. TGIC will host our next exchange briefing "Acquisition Workforce Opportunities and Challenges" on June 2nd at the Meyera A. Oberndorf Central Library, so be sure to save the date.

I ask that all members of TASC recommend membership to your business associates and colleagues that are active in the service contracting community. As you know, as a non-profit, volunteer organization, we are totally dependent on the dues we receive from memberships to sustain our activities in the local community. For more information, please contact the TASC Membership Chairperson, Mary White at mary.b.white@saic.com. As always, we are looking for feedback on what you want to hear about at our monthly luncheons, on our website, or in our newsletters. Please send feedback to our TASC Publicity Chairperson, Triffy Erickson at terickson@zenetex.com.

Thank you for supporting TASC, and we look forward to seeing you at future events.

Beverly Arviso

ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE

Welcome New Members

Individual Members

Andrew Carnell	ICF International
Clynton Caines	VStarz Corp
Eldon Griggs	Halo-8
James Whitus	Albo & Oblon, LLP

Corporate Members

Accenture

Michael Byrd
Julie Swartz

Upcoming Speakers

June: Capt Mathieu, Commanding officer of the USCG C2CEN in Portsmouth, VA (Confirmed)

July: Mayor Will Sessoms, Virginia Beach, VA (Confirmed)

August: Representative Nye, (Tentative)

September: LtCol Robert Darling, USMC. (Tentative)

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Joint
Warfighting
Conference 09
Scheduled for
May 12-14,
2009

Joint Warfighting 09 Building a Balance Joint Force:

How to best meet the demands of Future Security Environment?

May 12-14, Virginia Beach Convention Center



Co-sponsored by AFCEA International and the U.S. Naval Institute, in coordination with U.S. Joint Forces Command and with support of the NDIA Greater Hampton Roads Chapter and the AFCEA Hampton Roads and Tidewater Chapters.



Joint Warfighting Conference 2009 will be firmly centered on considering two recently-released military documents – the Joint Operating Environment (JOE) and the Capstone Concept for Joint Operations (CCJO).

The [Joint Operating Environment \(JOE\) 2008](#) lays out the problem statement, describes future operational environments the Joint Force may encounter and sets demand signals for future challenges. The JOE is a companion to the [Capstone Concept for Joint Operations \(CCJO\)](#). The CCJO, signed by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, articulates his vision for how the future Joint Force will operate to address the challenges and meet the demands of future operating environments.

Conference attendees and participants are encouraged to read the JOE and CCJO in preparation for Joint Warfighting Conference 2009.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION IS FREE*!

REGISTER NOW! (<https://reg.ispargo.com/jw09/reg/>)

Join us for the third annual Joint Warfighting conference and exposition at the Virginia Beach Convention Center. This event offers an East Coast companion to the popular AFCEA-USNI West conference held each year for the past 18 years in San Diego, CA. It will provide a premier venue for engaging the military professionals and industry leaders who are shaping the nation's military strategies and warfighting platforms.

The Joint Warfighting Conference will also host:
Department of the Navy CIO IM and IT Conference, May 11-14
Third annual Navy Blue Coast Small Business Conference, May 12-14**
AFCEA Education Summit at the 2009 Joint Warfighting Conference, May 11

**Separate Registration is required.

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Joint WARFIGHTING 09

May 12 – 14, 2009 • Virginia Beach, VA Convention Center

Building a Balanced Joint Force: How Best to Meet Demands of the Future Security Environment?

Featuring:

- The Honorable Dr. Robert Gates, Secretary of Defense (invited)
- Gen James N. Mattis, USMC, Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command, NATO Supreme Allied Commander Transformation
- ADM Eric T. Olson, USN, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command
- Mr. Eric Schmidt, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Google (invited)
- Department of the Navy CIO IM and IT Conference
- U.S. Marine Corps Education and Training Engagement Theater
- Third annual Navy Blue Coast Small Business Conference
- Third annual Military Officers Association of America Spouse Symposium
- Over 200 IT and defense exhibitors

Panel Sessions:

- What Will the World Look Like for Future Joint Force Commanders?
- Hybrid Warfare: What are the Implications for Future Joint Force Commanders?
- The Cyber Factor: What is the Impact on Future Joint Operations?
- Beyond the Military: How Do We Foster and Employ a More Comprehensive Approach in the Future Security Environment?
- The Human Dimension: How Do We Develop Our People?
- Building a Balanced Joint Force: How Does the U.S. Military Adapt?
- Innovative Acquisition: What Will It Take?

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***“There’s No Such Thing As a FREE Lunch?”
For TASC Members, Yes There Is!***

TASC is again sponsoring lunch for members on Wednesday, May 13th at the Joint Warfighting Conference. Members should still sign up on the TASC website and can pick up their tickets at the TASC booth on Wednesday May 13th at the Joint Warfighting Conference. The speaker this years is ADM Eric T. Olson, USN Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command. Lunch is served at Noon.



TGIC Exchange Brief

“Acquisition Workforce Opportunities and Challenges”

‘Government and Industry Perspectives for Acquisition and Human Resources Professionals’



Tuesday, June 2, 2009

8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

**Location : The Meyera Oberndorf Library
Auditorium
4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.
Virginia Beach, VA 23452**

Panelists:

1. ***Mr. Elliott Branch, Chief of Staff/Policy, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Acquisition and Logistics Management (Confirmed)***
2. ***Mr. Stan Soloway, President and CEO, Professional Services Council (Confirmed)***
3. ***Mr. Peter Bonner, Senior Vice President, Human Capital Solutions, ICF International (Confirmed)***
4. ***Dr. Mike Echols, Director, Bellevue University Human Capital Lab (Invited)***

Our program will feature brief presentations by each of our distinguished panelists and extensive discussion among our guests and audience.

- **CLP Certificates Awarded by NCMA Norfolk**
- **8:30 a.m. Free admission, sign in, and networking**
- **9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Program**
- **Reservations please, by Friday May 29th .**
- **Make reservations at www.tasc-tgic.org**



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The TGIC also has standing committees and working groups that address Small Business Affairs, Legislative Affairs, and Contracting Approaches and Techniques. To learn more about TGIC, please visit TASC and TGIC’s shared website at www.tasc-tgic.org.

TGIC Exchange Briefings are educational events jointly sponsored by the TASC and the TGIC, free of charge, and open to all Government and Industry partners. NCMA Norfolk Chapter awards CEU's which can also be applied as points for Continuous Learning required by members of the Defense Acquisition Workforce. While the Government half of the audience is largely contracting professionals, we encourage them to bring their customers to better understand the acquisition process and our primary emphasis on service contracting. For this particular event, we also encourage them and their Industry counterparts to invite the Human Resources professionals who support them.

Articles of Interest

TASC Members Instruct at 3rd Annual Navy Blue Coast Conference

TASC President Beverly Arviso and TASC member Jeff Brunner will deliver a training module entitled “Preparing for a DCAA Audit and FAR Part 31 Cost Principles” on May 13, 2009. Their presentation will be given at the 3rd Annual Navy Blue Coast Conference conducted in conjunction with the Joint Warfighting Conference at the Virginia Beach Convention Center. This East Coast Small Business Conference is sponsored by the Small Business Programs Office of the Office of the Secretary of the Navy.

Ms. Arviso is the founder of Arviso, Inc. She is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Certified Professional Contracts Manager (CPCM), and Certified Federal Contracts Manager (CFCM). She has over 16 years of progressive accounting and finance experience and extensive knowledge of the government contracting industry. Ms. Arviso has private sector experience as the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Director of Contracts for a variety of industries working with Government Contracts. Ms. Arviso has also served as the Partner-in-Charge of the Hampton Roads Government Contract Consulting Group in a regional public accounting firm.

Mr. Brunner currently serves as the Contract and Acquisition Management Officer (CAMO) at the United States Joint Forces Command Headquarters in Norfolk, Virginia. He spent several years as the Executive Director of the Naval Center for Acquisition Training in Norfolk, and as the Associate Dean of the Norfolk Campus of the Defense Acquisition University. In addition, Mr. Brunner has extensive experience as a Contracting Officer, Competition Advocate, and Contracts Division Director. Mr. Brunner is a charter member of the Tidewater Association of Service Contractors (TASC), and is currently serving as Government Co-Moderator for the Tidewater Government Industry Council (TGIC).

U.S. Joint Forces Command Industry Outreach Program

Captain John Polowczyk, U.S. Joint Forces Command’s Business Manager, has announced a new initiative to conduct quarterly Industry Outreach meetings with all firms interested in potentially supporting USJFCOM requirements. Similar to the sessions conducted annually at the Joint Warfighting Conference, these sessions will provide useful information on doing business with USJFCOM, understanding the enterprise’s overall acquisition strategy and its incorporation of Federal and Defense policy, and becoming aware of upcoming opportunities. Both the Contract and Acquisition Management Office (CAMO) and the Office of Research and Technology Applications (ORTA) segments of the Business Office will be featured.

When scheduled, these sessions will be advertised in FedBizOps and other industry and professional organizations’ newsletters.

Articles of Interest

From Washington Technology

Senate Bill Would Suspend Competitive Sourcing

By Alice Lipowicz

May 04, 2009

Federal agencies would be required to review their service contracts and to bring some types of previously contracted work in-house under new legislation authored by Sen. Barbara Mikulski.

Mikulski (D-Md.) introduced on April 29 the Clean-Up Act, also known as the Correction of Longstanding Errors in Agencies Unsustainable Procurements Act, or S. 924. The bill would indefinitely suspend the Bush administration's competitive-sourcing competitions under Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76 and would make permanent changes to those rules.

The legislation builds on several provisions restricting competitive sourcing that were inserted into the recent fiscal 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act, which put a hold on the A-76 privatization process.

Under the competitive-sourcing rules, agencies hold competitions to consider bids to contract work previously performed by federal employees. Under Mikulski's bill, those public-private competitions would be delayed indefinitely until the OMB and inspectors general put new policies in place and ensure there is a level playing field for federal employees.

"Federal employees deserve to be treated fairly," Mikulski said in a statement. "This bill will be a major step toward cleaning up the contracting abuses of the last eight years and bringing jobs that were wrongly awarded to private contractors back to where they belong: with our first-rate federal employees."

The legislation would require agencies to return in-house all inherently governmental work that had been wrongly contracted out. It also includes those instructions for work that is closely related to inherently governmental work and to mission essential work.

Agencies must determine where they are experiencing workforce shortages and develop strategies to reduce those shortages. They also must keep inventories of service contracts.