



# **NDIA Automatic Testing Committee**

## **DoD ATS Liaison**

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# DoD Automatic Test Systems Executive Directorate (ATS ED)

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- DoD ATS Management Board (AMB) will meet at Picatinny Arsenal 30 March
  - Chairman of the Board, Capt Belcher, will be relieved by Capt Fred Hepler with COC 9 June 2011
  - We are working with the organizers of the Nov 2011 DoD Maintenance Symposium to add “Automatic Test Systems” as a topic
    - Made it through the first round of consideration – has high Navy endorsement
    - Format uncertain – expect some sort of panel discussion
  - AUTOTESTCON Plenary Session time slot this year likely to be filled with Keynote Speakers

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# Technical IPTs Initiatives

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- TPS MIL-PRF-32070 update being processed through Specification and Standards team -- anticipate publishing May 2011
  - This is the version already reviewed by this Committee
- Met in December 2010 to harmonize joint Services TPS processes:
  - Development approaches – future plans and requirements of each Service
  - Working towards common acquisition and sustainment processes
  - Working towards a common library of hardware
- Framework Working Group:
  - Continues to define DoD's ATS key interfaces in spite of being downsized
  - Five SBIR/STTR (3 Navy and 2 Air Force) projects contributing
  - Working a Coalition Warfare Program (CWP) proposal with UK MOD focused on interoperability using signal modeling/ATML/Next Gen TPS Language
  - Considering another AUTOTESTCON demonstration focused on "Tools"

# Technical IPTs Initiatives (cont)

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- NxOMS, the joint service Net-Centric ATE functions initiative is progressing well
  - Phase II development underway
  - Government testing planned for April 2011
- Still planning an “ATS Industry Week”
  - Probably in the May timeframe
  - Focus area will be TPS Improvements
    - But all ATS technologies will be welcome

# Continuing Resolution (CR)

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- Legislation (joint resolution) that allows obligations of funds until the regular FY Appropriation Bills are enacted by Congress
- Incremental CRs:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> CR thru 3 Dec 2010
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> CR thru 18 Dec 2010
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> CR thru 21 Dec 2011
  - 4<sup>th</sup> CR thru 4 March 2011
  - 5<sup>th</sup> CR thru 18 March 2011
  - 6<sup>th</sup> CR ????????????????
- Restrictions of CR funds:
  - There must have been an appropriation for the program in the previous FY – “No new starts”
  - Can not exceed the production rate from the previous FY
  - Can not exceed the previous FY funding level

# Other News

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