The American, British, Canadian, and Australian defense industries are underpinned by a strong and longstanding history of cooperation and collaboration. Despite this strong foundation, the government and defence industries of Quadrilateral countries are facing an external environment of increasing uncertainty and accelerating change.

In light of these external challenges, what opportunities does closer collaboration offer – be it in capability development, making greater use of the National Technology and Industrial Base, or through reforming export controls.

By sharing our common knowledge and experiences, our industries can learn from each other, better anticipate challenges, identify leading practices, and develop collaborative solutions. Senior industry and government officials of the four nations will address these themes and questions at this Quadrilateral Defense & Security Conference to be held in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada on Tuesday 30 May 2017.

This conference is hosted by the Canadian Association of Defence & Security Industries (CADSI), the Australian Industry & Defence Network (AIDN), ADS (UK), and NDIA (USA).

**CONFERENCE CHAIRPERSONS:**

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- Mr. Nicolas Todd  
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- Mr. Brinley Salzmann  
  *Director, Overseas and Exports, ADS*

United States

- CAPT Frank Michael, USN (Ret)  
  *Vice President, Program Development, NDIA*
10:00am - 10:25am  
Registration Check-in

10:25am - 10:30am  
Welcoming Remarks  
Ms. Christyn Cianfarani, President, Canadian Association of Defence and Security Industries

10:30am - 12:00pm  
Military Capability in a Changing International Environment Panel

Over the past few years, amongst other things, there has been a significant increase in terrorism and a widespread escalation in fundamentalists seeking to impose their ideologies indiscriminately. At the same time there is a new U.S. Administration exploring new approaches to global security and alliance norms and the UK is in the process of leaving the European Union. The global environment is one of continuous change and uncertainty. This panel will begin by discussing the ever-broadening range of threats to national security, together with some of the decisive factors and political milestones on which those involved in Defence should focus. The Panel will then turn to how Defence Industry Strategies might be developed to support the emerging needs facing the Quadrilateral Countries and how these might become more supportive to capability outputs in an age where “more for less” is increasingly vital. Collaboration is an essential ingredient if interoperability and more effective working are to be enhanced. Included will be an UK industry perspective of the evolving European Defence landscape.

Moderator: Mr. William Hockin, Director – Defence, ADS

- Gen Craig McKinley, USAF (Ret), President & CEO, National Defense Industrial Association
- Mr. Colin Robertson, Former Canadian Diplomat, Senior Advisor to Dentons LLP, and Vice President at the Canadian Global Affairs Institute
- Mr. Nathan Rufus, Director Industry Policy & Governance, Defence Industry Policy Division, Department of Defence of Australia
- Dr. Craig Stone, Canadian Forces College, Department of National Defence

12:00 pm - 1:00pm  
Networking Lunch

1:00pm - 2:45pm  
Buy American and Hire American – What does this Mean for the National Technology and Industrial Base (NTIB)? Panel

With the passage into law of the 2017 National Defense Authorization Act, the definition of the National Technology and Industrial Base was expanded to include Australia and the UK – all Quad countries. This panel will focus on the practical impacts for Quad defence industries as they navigate the impact of the Trump’s Buy American impact for the U.S. Department of Defense procurement.

Moderator: Ms. Jennifer Hubbard, Director General, International and Industry Programs Division, Department of National Defence

- Mr. William Greenwalt, Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council
- Mr. Roger Grose, Counsellor, Defence Materiel, Australian Embassy, Washington
- Mr. Gregory Sanders, Deputy Director and Fellow, Defense-Industrial Initiatives Group, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- Mr. Michael Slack, Former Director – Continental Materiel Cooperation, Department of National Defence
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