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TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

General Session
10:00 – 11:55 am

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11:55 am – 12:10 pm

General Session
12:10 – 2:15 pm

Networking Chat Lobby
2:15 – 2:45 pm

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Thomas Harward
Chair, Fuze Section, Munitions Technology Division, NDIA
Lead Technologist, Fuzing & Safety Devices, Advanced Systems, Raytheon Missiles & Defense

MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY
FUZE SECTION

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AGENDA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

10:00 – 10:05 am
INTRODUCTION & ADMIN REMARKS
Thomas Harward
Lead Technologist, Fuzing & Safety Devices, Advanced Systems, Raytheon Missiles & Defense
Chair, Fuze Section, Munitions Technology Division, National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)

10:05 – 10:15 am
NDIA OPENING REMARKS
MG James Boozer, USA (Ret)
Executive Vice President, NDIA

10:15 – 10:45 am
KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Lt Col Brian A. “Hanzo” Stiles, USAF
Commander, 72d Test and Evaluation Squadron, Whiteman Air Force Base, U.S. Air Force

11:00 – 11:20 am
ARMY S&T STRATEGY
Mike Connolly
Electronics Engineer, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command (CCDC), Aviation and Missile Center

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11:35 – 11:55 am  NAVY S&T STRATEGY
Kevin Cochran
Technical Project Manager, Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center

11:55 am – 12:10 pm  NETWORKING CHAT LOBBY BREAK

12:10 – 12:30 pm  AIR FORCE S&T STRATEGY
George Jolly
Technical Advisor, Air Force Research Laboratory

12:45 – 1:05 pm  MEMS SHOCK ACCELEROMETER CHARACTERIZATION FOR HIGH G APPLICATIONS
Dr. Adriane Moura, PhD
Staff Mechanical Engineer 2, Applied Research Associates, Inc.

1:20 – 1:40 pm  MODULAR APPROACH TO THE MUNITION FUZE DEVELOPMENT FOR CASE TELESCOPED WEAPON SYSTEMS
Dr. Isabelle Delagrange, PhD
Lead Engineer, Ammunition, CTA International

1:55 – 2:15 pm  DEVELOPMENT IN METAL MEMS LATCHING SETBACK SENSING MECHANISM
Kevin O’Connor, Jr.
Mechanical Engineer, Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army CCDC

2:15 – 2:45 pm  NETWORKING CHAT LOBBY

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10:00 – 10:05 am

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Thomas Harward
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Chair, Fuze Section, Munitions Technology Division, NDIA

10:05 – 10:25 am

FUZE INCIDENT, SHOALWATER BAY, AUSTRALIA, 2014
Bernard Smith-Roberts
Manager, Engineering Systems, Explosive Materiel Branch, Joint Systems Division,
Capacity Acquisition and Sustainment Group, Australian Department of Defence

10:45 – 11:05 am

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Nick Malinoski
Supervisory Engineer, Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army CCDC

11:20 – 11:40 am

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11:55 am – 12:15 pm  **DOD JOINT FUZE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM (JFTP)**
Lawrence Fan  
Program Manager, Fuzing Technology & Development, Energetic Technologies,  
Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center

12:15 – 12:30 pm  **NETWORKING CHAT LOBBY**

12:30 – 12:50 pm  **FUZE TECHNOLOGY REFRESH**
Vincent Matrisciano  
Program Manager, Research & Development, Joint Program Executive Office Armaments & Ammunition

1:05 – 1:25 pm  **FULLY RESETTABLE MEMS SAFE/ARM WITH LOCK AND SLIDER POSITION FEEDBACK**
Dr. Daniel Jean  
Senior Microsystems Engineer, Army Research Laboratory, U.S. Army CCDC

1:40 – 2:00 pm  **NEXT-GENERATION LARGE CALIBER SETTER**
Maxim Keyler  
Electronic Engineer, Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army CCDC

2:00 – 2:30 pm  **NETWORKING CHAT LOBBY**

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BIOGRAPHIES

MG JAMES BOOZER, USA (RET)

Executive Vice President
National Defense Industrial Association


Boozer came to NDIA after a 35-year career in the U.S. Army, from which he retired as a two-star general in October 2015. His last assignment was as Commander, U.S. Army Japan at Camp Zama in Japan.

Prior to serving in Japan, Boozer was the Deputy Commanding General of U.S. Army in Europe, the Army component for U.S. European Command in Weisbaden, Germany. Prior to that assignment, Boozer was the Operations Director for the Assistant Chief of Staff for Army Installations at the Pentagon in Washington, DC.

Boozer has served in various operational and staff assignments throughout the Army and commanded at the Brigade and 2 Star level. He served as chief of plans at U.S. Central Command Forward in Baghdad and Qatar.

Boozer has also participated in multiple deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

Boozer was a field artilleryman and commanded a brigade in Operation Iraqi Freedom 1 as a part of the Task Force that secured Baghdad.

Boozer graduated from The Citadel in 1980 with a bachelor of arts degree in history. He received a master’s degree in strategic studies in 2001 from the U.S. Army War College.

KEVIN COCHRAN

Technical Project Manager
Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center

Kevin Cochran is a Technical Project Manager in the Fuze and Initiation Systems Branch at the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division. Since 1998, he has focused on developing miniaturized fuze/S&A systems and has worked on a variety of applications including underwater weapons, mine clearing systems, and guided mortars. He is currently the Project Manager for the High Reliability DPICM Replacement project that is tasked with developing a Cannon-Delivered Area Effect Munition that meets the requirements of the 2017 DoD Policy on Cluster Munitions. Mr. Cochran received a B.S. and M.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Maryland, College Park, in 1998 and 2003, respectively.

MIKE CONNOLLY

Electronics Engineer
U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command, Aviation and Missile Center

Michael Connolly is an electronics engineer at the U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command, Aviation and Missile Center (CCDC AvMC) at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. He earned a B.S. in Electrical Engineering with honors from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in 1995. Since then, he has worked for the Army in various duties as an engineer specializing in radar systems, missile test sets, air and missile defense systems, and—since 2001—conventional missile fuzing and rocket motor ignition safety systems. Mr. Connolly is a member of the Technical Steering Committee for the DoD/DOE Joint Munitions Program, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE), the Tau Beta Pi National Engineering Honor Society, and the Eta Kappa Nu Electrical Engineering Honor Society.
SHANE CURTIS
Senior Staff Member, Advanced Fuzing Technology
Sandia National Laboratories

Shane Curtis is a senior staff member of the Advanced Fuzing Technology (AFT) department at Sandia National Laboratories, which specializes in the research and development of advanced concepts for the DoD and DOE fuzing communities. Shane has a B.S. and M.S. in Mechanical Engineering, and has spent eight years in the department as the primary mechanical designer and researcher for hard target fuzing and data recorder applications.

DR. ISABELLE DELAGRANGE, PHD
Lead Engineer, Ammunition
CTA International

Dr. Isabelle Delagrange, PhD, is a research and development engineer with over 20 years experience in the armament industry. After graduating in engineering in 1995, Isabelle joined Giat Industries as a PhD student in gun barrels dynamics. This work was the subject of several publications and a presentation on the 10th U.S. Army gun dynamics in 2001. After being awarded her PhD in 1998, Isabelle continued working in R&D at Nexter as Lead Engineer on several cannons and turrets in medium and large caliber followed by Head of Engineering for weapon systems at Nexter Systems. Isabelle joined CTAI in 2009 as CT-Cannon Lead Engineer for the end of development and as 40CTA Qualification Technical Lead in charge of the specification, witnessing, analyzing, and reporting of qualification trials for both cannon and ammunition. Since 2014, she worked as Lead Engineer for ammunition development and has been Head of Ammunition Engineering since 2017.

LAWRENCE FAN
Program Manager, Fuzing Technology & Development
Energetic Technologies Department, Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center

Lawrence Fan is a project manager for fuzing technology and development programs in the Energetics Technology Department at the Naval Surface Warfare Center's Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Technology Division. Since entering government service in 1990, he has supported fuzing development for Navy gun projectile, mine clearance and torpedo applications. He has headed several fuze R&D projects, including the development of the S&A Device for the Navy's Countermeasure Anti-Torpedo Torpedo. Since 2010, Mr. Fan has served as the program manager for the OSD Joint Fuze Technology Program (JFTP). The JFTP selects, coordinates, and funds the execution of 6.2 and 6.3 fuzing technology projects with a portfolio of $13M annually. Mr. Fan is also the Navy lead in the DoD Fuze IPT.

THOMAS HARWARD
Lead Technologist, Fuzing & Safety Devices, Advanced Systems
Raytheon Missiles & Defense

Thomas Harward, an Engineering Fellow with 23 years of experience at Raytheon Missiles & Defense, is the Lead Technologist for Fuzing and Safety Devices. As Lead Technologist, Mr. Harward is the top reviewer for fuze designs, central point of contact for the fuze safety boards, and approver of estimates and solutions. He guides sourcing selection. Mr. Harward is also very active in the fuze industry as chair of the NDIA Fuze Conference Committee and panel member of the DoD Fuze IPT Advisory Panel. Mr. Harward is also the fuze tech council engineering representative, former Section Head for fuzing, and has held several leadership roles, including several payload IPT lead roles. He presented a paper at the 2011 NDIA Fuze Conference in Salt Lake City, "Enhanced Weapon Arming Safety by Controlled Accumulation of Arming Energy." Mr. Harward has a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Arizona and an M.S. in Systems Engineering from Johns Hopkins University.
DR. DANIEL JEAN

Senior Microsystems Engineer
Army Research Laboratory, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

Dr. Daniel Jean has worked for the past 20+ years in MEMS and fuzing for the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Indian Head, Maryland. Areas of research included MEMS design for miniature fuzes and packaging for high-G survivability. Recently, Dr. Jean moved to the Army Research Lab in Adelphi, Maryland, where he performs research in MEMS and additive manufacturing.

GEORGE JOLLY

Technical Advisor
Air Force Research Laboratory

George Jolly serves as the Technical Advisor for the Fuzes Branch, Ordinance Division, Munitions Directorate, Air Force Research Laboratory, Eglin Air Force Base, Fl. He acts as the subject matter expert for fuzing within the directorate to assist in all weapons development activities. As the Technical Advisor for the Fuzes Branch, he works with the branch personnel to assure the quality of research activities and its products and to set strategic goals. He also assists both the Ordinance Division Chief and the Directorate Chief Scientist in setting internal and external strategic research goals. Such goals include research in fuze system architecture, extreme environment survivability, end game sensing, initiation sciences, and the characterization and phenomenology of fuzes. In this role, he is responsible for solving the technical gaps for fuzing in the U.S. Air Force for future weapon requirements.

Mr. Jolly has had a broad career for more than 36 years as a technologist having begun as an Air Force officer at the Weapons Laboratory, Kirtland AFB, where he researched radiation hardened microelectronics for space vehicle application. After leaving the Air Force in 1988, Mr. Jolly worked as a support contractor at Eglin AFB focused on fuze technology for various weapon systems that includes JDAM, PAVWAY, CALCM, and the Sensor Fuzed Weapon. In 2003, he took the position of Director of Engineering for a company that designed and manufactured various avionic systems for both Air Force and Navy aircraft. In this position, he managed personnel in three locations around the country and was responsible for development programs for avionics on the F-15, FA-18, F-22, AC-130, and ACH-130 aircraft. In 2009, Mr. Jolly returned to Eglin AFB and technology development for weapon systems. Mr. Jolly became a Civil Servant and joined AFRL in 2010.
MAXIM KEYLER

Electronic Engineer

Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

Maxim Keyler is an Electronic Engineer in the U.S. Army CCDC-Armaments Center Fuze Division, Picatinny Arsenal, NJ, where he has worked since 2004. He obtained a Bachelor of Engineering / Computer Engineering and Master of Engineering / Electrical Engineering from Stevens Institute of Technology. He has experience in both designing and troubleshooting electronic hardware as well as in software and firmware development. He is part of a team that develops fuze setting technologies ranging from designing custom single board computers, developing applications for embedded systems, and researching ways to efficiently transfer information to increasingly more complex fuzes.

NICK MALINOSKI

Supervisory Engineer

Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

Nick Malinoski graduated in 2003 from Rutgers University in Mechanical Engineering and then worked for a couple years for the U.S. Navy at the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division (NSWCCD), providing modeling and simulation work for ship structures and propulsion. Then, he spent a couple of years working for General Dynamics AIS on undersea hardware design, analysis and thermal testing, and the analysis of electronic components and systems. Mr. Malinoski began employment with the U.S. Army at the Armaments Center in 2008 in the Fuze Division, beginning with hand grenade fuzing before transition to support mortar fuzing and then medium caliber fuzing. He became a Team Lead in 2013, overseeing hand grenade, medium-caliber, shoulder-launched, and artillery fuzing. In 2017, Mr. Malinoski became branch chief and has since been serving in that capacity.

VINCENT MATRISCIANO

Program Manager, Research & Development

Joint Program Executive Office Armaments & Ammunition

During his 30-year career, Vincent Matrisciano has worked many different weapon system programs from tanks, howitzers, mortars, and small arms to advanced systems like remotely operated weapons and advanced energy systems. Early in his career, he was the U.S. Army’s Technical Lead for the M95 Mortar Fire Control System development program, a very successful program providing never-before-seen position and navigation, weapon pointing, and ballistic calculation capability to the mounted mortar battalion. That system was also used as the baseline for the subsequently developed digital fire control system for towed artillery (M777 and M119). Mr. Matrisciano has spent the past 10 years in JPEO Armaments and Ammunition (formerly PEO Ammo), overseeing portfolios of technology and development projects. In this role, he is responsible for facilitating the transitions of technology into programs to be fielded to our warfighters. He is also an active representative of the DoD Fuze IPT, where he leads and supports multiple improvement efforts.

DR. ADRIANE MOURA, PHD

Staff Mechanical Engineer 2


Dr. Adriane Moura, PhD, is currently a mechanical engineer at Applied Research Associates, Inc., supporting the Air Force Research Laboratory at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. Dr. Moura received her PhD from the Georgia Institute of Technology and her B.S. from Florida State University, both in Mechanical Engineering. Dr. Moura’s technical interests include theoretical and experimental structural dynamics, linear/nonlinear vibration and modal analysis, smart structures, mechanics of materials, and microelectromechanical systems.
KEVIN O’CONNOR, JR.

Mechanical Engineer
Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

Kevin O’Connor, Jr., graduated in 2018 from the New Jersey Institute of Technology with a Bachelor in Mechanical Engineering. He has been working as a Mechanical Engineer in the U.S. Army CCDC-Armaments Center’s Fuze Division for the past two years. Kevin works on the research and development of mechanical Fuze S&A Technology, using specialized skills in Computer-Aided Design and Finite Element Analysis.

BERNARD SMITH-ROBERTS

Manager, Engineering Systems
Explosive Materiel Branch, Joint Systems Division, Capacity Acquisition and Sustainment Group, Australian Department of Defence

Manager for the Explosive Materiel Branch within the Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group of the Australian Department of Defence. In this role, he is responsible for the engineering system under which the safe, environmentally compliant, and effective performance of explosive ordnance is delivered to the Australian Defence Force.

Mr. Smith-Roberts’ career over the last 10 years within the Australian Public Service has spanned a number of roles within explosive ordnance and high-risk platform integration, systems safety, and regulatory organizations. He graduated from the Australian National University with a BEng in Systems Engineering with honors in 2010 and from the University of New South Wales (Australian Defence Force Academy) with an MEng in Systems Engineering in 2013.

LT COL BRIAN A. “HANZO” STILES, USAF

Commander

Lieutenant Colonel Brian A. “Hanzo” Stiles, USAF, is the Commander, 72d Test and Evaluation Squadron, Whiteman AFB in Missouri. The 72d is responsible for the planning and execution of B-2 operational test and evaluation, including force development evaluations, tactics development and evaluations, and software evaluations. He is an evaluator pilot in both the B-2A and T-38A.

Lt Col Stiles is from Roseville, CA, and received his commission in 2002 from the United States Air Force Academy where he was a distinguished graduate. He has served as an instructor pilot in the T-38A and B-2A. Prior to becoming the Director of Operations of the 72d, he was the Director of Plans and Programs for the 509th Bomb Wing, planning and executing all major exercises and readiness evaluations. Lt Col Stiles is a senior pilot with more than 2,200 flight hours.
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