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**Adapting Today's Sustainment Partnerships to Support
Tomorrow's Integrated Deterrence**

Breakout Sessions

April 23 – 24, 2024 | Columbus, OH | NDIA.org/DLA24

April 23 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Room C150

Coffee with Contracting

Presented by both DLA Land, Maritime, and Aviation Small Business leadership

The DLA Land and Maritime and Aviation Offices of Small Business Programs (OSBP) will facilitate an opportunity for contractors to engage Contracting Officers from Aviation, Land, and Maritime for a question-and-answer session related to contracting. An experienced panel from Pre-Award, Post-Award, and the Strategic Acquisition Programs Directorate will be available for an interactive discussion with the audience. Bring your coffee if you have it and join the panel with those questions you have always wanted to ask DLA.

April 23 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Room C151

Diminishing Manufacturing Sources and Material Shortages

Presented by Stephen Foster, DMSMS Branch Chief

The DLA DMSMS is a strategic partner with the Service Programs in their overall DMSMS and Parts Management strategy for their weapons systems. The office manages DMSMS items, researches the initial Government-Industry Data Exchange Program (GIDEP) and Product Discontinuance Notifications (PDN), and coordinates across DoD on NSNs that have PDN or aging back orders. DLA is always looking for industry support for its obsolescence parts issues. 85% of the DLA Land and Maritime DMSMS items are electronic in nature, with Microcircuits and Semi-Conductors at the top. Within the DMSMS Program, we also house the Generalized Emulation of Microcircuits (GEM) program, which is a small batch, targeted technology, microcircuit production fabrication facility with a contracted industry partner. GEM has provided obsolescent microcircuit solutions to over 630 different weapons systems for 35 years. This training session will focus on entry into the DMSMS program and the processes used to manage, support, and potentially perform End of Life buys for items that will soon be unattainable.

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Supplier Assessment and Supplier Performance Risk (SPRS)

Presented by Kevin Devers, Procurement Analyst

The Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS) is the authoritative source to retrieve supplier and product (performance information) assessments for the Department of Defense (DoD) acquisition community to use in identifying, assessing, and monitoring performance. Acquisition Specialists and Contracting Officers use this Federal repository as part of their official source selection determinations. It is important for vendors to understand how performance is scored and how that score affects future awards/business. This breakout will provide awareness and education of the SPRS application, performance scoring, as well as a working knowledge of how to gain access and navigate through the system.

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Source Approval Request and Replenishment Parts Purchase or Borrow

Presented by Eric Wilde, Value Management Branch Chief and Jamie Spangler, Procurement Analyst

Source Approval Request (SAR) is an assembly of information required of a prospective new supplier for a specific item that is currently procured as other than full-and-open. A SAR contains all technical data needed to demonstrate that the prospective contractor can competently manufacture the item to the same level of quality or better than the approved source.

Replenishment Parts Purchase or Borrow (RPPOB) Program allows a U.S. Domestic business to visually inspect, borrow, or purchase government owned material to reverse engineer the item to become an alternate source of supply via a SAR. This forum will cover the SAR and RPPOB programs' processes and procedures to help both government and industry partners understand how these programs work and how to best utilize them.

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DLA Mentor-Protégé Program Learning Session

Presented by DLA HQC, Land & Maritime, and Aviation Small Business Offices

This session will provide an overview of the DLA Mentor-Protégé Program and solicitation. Included will be guidance on the DoD MPP Mentor approval process and the importance of starting the process early. This session will include guidance on the proposal submission process as well. Do not miss an opportunity to ask questions and gain valuable information regarding the program.

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Forecasting and Supplier Collaboration

Presented by Chrissy Schall, Director of Business Process Support

During this session, Business Process Support will look ahead over the remainder of FY24 and FY25 at what we are expecting for focus areas and DLA investments. The session will also include an opportunity for Q&A to address questions or topics of concern with our industry partners.

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Cost and Pricing

Presented by Matt Kirk, Pricing Division Chief

Gain information and insights on current supply chain issues driving price volatility and instability, pricing alternatives and opportunities for collaboration to achieve best value. Hear from pricing representatives from different areas within DLA, who will discuss the current regulation and policy environment and pricing factors, and share experiences. This would be an opportunity to have an open discussion between industry and government acquisition professionals on how to achieve a higher level of support for the warfighter. This is a high-level discussion provided to talk through cost and pricing issues impacts.

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This in-person matchmaking event will bring together Small Business Professionals from Land, Maritime, Aviation, and Troop Support OSBPs, large prime contractors, and small businesses for 10 minute face-to-face meetings. Please complete the questions below to provide the required information to assist the OSBPs in successfully matching small businesses with large primes and OSBP representatives. Walk-up meeting requests may be accepted on day-of-event basis if space is available.

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Provisioning

Presented by Will Holmes, Branch Chief, DLS Provisioning

Provisioning is defined as the MILSVC management process of determining and acquiring the range and quantity of support items necessary to operate and maintain an end item of material for an initial period of service. DLA Logistics Information Services (DLIS) is capable of providing direct assistance to Provisioning stakeholders from the pre-award phase through lifecycle sustainment. This assistance takes the form of comparative analysis of logistics product data recorded in Provisioning Parts Lists (PPLs) against the Federal Logistics Information System (FLIS) catalog and evaluating Engineering Data for Provisioning (EDFP) contractual deliverables from a DLA sustainment perspective. In a nutshell, DLIS Provisioning Support serves as a metaphorical bridge from Fielding to Sustainment.

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DLA Qualifications Program

Presented by Michael Adams, Custom Devices Branch Chief

The DLA Sourcing and Qualifications Division establishes and maintains a known-good supplier base that has successfully demonstrated its products meet the specified performance, quality, and reliability levels of established military specifications. This session will provide the background for the Qualification Program, the process used to establish a known-good supplier base, the process used to maintain suppliers on Qualified Products/Qualified Manufacturers Lists, the scope of the program, the requirements needed to participate in the program, and the tools used to maintain the program. Participants should attend this session if they are interested in becoming a qualified manufacturer on any of the military specifications managed by the Defense Logistics Agency that contain a qualification requirement.

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Cast & Forge

Presented by Eric Wilde, Value Management Branch Chief

DLA's Casting and Forging (CF) Program is managed by both Aviation and Land & Maritime teams and supported by both the American Metalcasting Consortium (AMC) and the Forging Defense Manufacturing Consortium (FMDC). This forum will cover the multitude of services that this government funded program provides and how they support both government and industry partners. These services include locating tooling, providing technical assistance to government and industry, identifying foundry and forging sources for DLA buyers and end item suppliers, creating training content, and contributing to the other casting and forging research and development efforts.

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Acquisition and Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC)

Presented by Shivane Patel

This breakout session will focus on the DFARS contractual requirements related to cybersecurity including DFARS 252.204-7012, Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting, 252.204-7019, Notice of NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Requirements, 252.204-7020, Notice of NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Requirements, and 252.204-7021, Contractor Compliance with the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification Level Requirement. Cyber threats and attacks are increasing daily, the risk has never been higher for the Defense Industrial Base. Join us to discuss policies and procedures related to cybersecurity and safeguarding information.

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DLA Internet Bid Board System (DIBBS)

**Presented by Luci Maldonado,
Procurement Systems Branch Chief**

The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Internet Bid Board System (DIBBS) is a web-based application that enables the supplier community to search for, view, and submit secure quotes on Request for Quotations (RFQs) for DLA items of supply. Through DIBBS, users can also search for, view, and upload proposals for Requests for Proposal (RFPs) and Invitations for Bid (IFB). Additionally, suppliers can submit Post Award Requests (PAR) and view other procurement information related to DLA. Gain information and insight on DIBBS. This presentation will provide participants information on how to access and navigate the application highlighting key functionalities.

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Q&A Session with Conference Keynote

**Presented by Peter Steen, Global Strategy
& Economics Advisor, Joint Staff J5**

Please join us for an open Q&A session with Mr. Steen. Mr. Peter Steen is a Global Strategy and Economics Advisor at the US Department of Defense, Joint Staff Strategy, Plans and Policy Directorate, Director's Advisory Group. He provides the Joint Staff with analysis of the nexus of economy/energy/finance and US national security. This is a tremendous opportunity to interact with a top thought leader and have your question(s) addressed directly.

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Doing Business with DLA & EDI (Includes APEX)

Presented by both DLA Land, Maritime, and Aviation Small Business leadership as well as APEX Accelerator (formerly PTAC) and the Small Business Administration (SBA)

The session will provide an overview of DLA, APEX Accelerators, and SBA along with more specific guidance on how to start working with DLA or how to expand your business with DLA. Do not miss an opportunity to gain valuable information and points of contact to be shared that will assist all small businesses working with DLA. Included in this breakout session will be a brief overview on common Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) transactions for vendors. It will also discuss the importance of becoming EDI capable and establishing access to value-added networks (VANs), necessary to facilitate the data transfers between business entities for a specified business process.

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DLA Packaging

**Represented by Jennifer Smith,
DLA Packaging Program Manager**

This breakout session will provide attendees with the basics in understanding packaging requirements, packaging codes, Military standards, the standard practice for commercial packaging, and what happens when there is a packaging and/or marking discrepancy. Tips, tools, and other valuable information will be provided.

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Warstopper Program and Defense Priorities and Allocation System

**Presented by Eugene Mitchell,
Industrial Support Branch Chief**

The Warstopper Program is tasked with identifying industrial base vulnerabilities and implementing mitigation strategies to sustain a healthy and robust supplier base capable of delivering Warfighter readiness and cost-effective solutions in at-risk industries. This program develops and monitors DoD investment strategies to gain a level of readiness that would otherwise not be available especially when capacity and/or capability concerns have been identified.

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Vendor Shipment Module

Presented by Janet Hern, VSM Analyst

The Vendor Shipment Module presentation explains the role of VSM in managing transportation for shipments of DLA material from vendors to DLA customers and warehouses.

This presentation is geared toward new users, but even vintage VSM users will benefit by learning how to avoid the most common order processing errors and obtain valuable insights about DLA's transportation program.

April 24 | 10:15 - 11:15 am | Room D284

Call Your Attorney

Presented by Anita Doran, Senior Fraud Counsel

Please join the DLA Office of General Counsel, we will share information on the procurement fraud prevention tools and programs DLA has and assist with questions.

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The Suicide and Trauma Reduction Initiative for Veterans (STRIVE)

Presented by Dr. Craig Bryant

STRIVE is the only research institute in the U.S. that explicitly focuses on developing, refining, and treating in the areas of suicide, trauma, and gun related violence risk reduction.

STRIVE moved its globally recognized programs and operations to The Ohio State University in 2020 and continues to conduct research, education, outreach, and advocacy for improving the lives of veterans and military service members everywhere. STRIVE also works closely with the Defense Suicide Prevention Office contributing to DoD's efforts focused on veteran suicide.