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The NDIA's Manufacturing Division aids industry/government/ academia interaction in technology areas directly related to manufacturing research, design, development, testing, and production. Through such interaction, these groups exchange information and views that benefit the development of advanced technology for the warfighter.

Agenda

Tuesday, May 20

7:30 am - 5:00 pm Registration

7:30 - 8:15 am Networking Breakfast

MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

8:15 - 9:00 am Welcome Remarks and Committee Overviews

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Jim Segelstrom

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Engineers

Brig Gen Guy Walsh, USAF (Ret)

Executive Vice President and COO, NDIA

9:00 - 9:45 am Keynote Speaker

AUDITORIUM

The Hon. Nazak Nikakhtar

Partner, Wiley

9:45 - 10:00 am **Networking Break**

MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

10:00 - 11:15 am Scaling Additive Manufacturing: Small & Medium Businesses Share

Their Journeys in Transition, Production, and Utilization **AUDITORIUM**

Ben DiMarco

Technology Transition Director, America Makes/NCDMM

Moderator

Chris Beck

Operations Manager/Owner, Innovative 3D Manufacturing

Charlie Phillips

Vice President, Penn United Technologies

Thomas Pomorski

Director of Additive Manufacturing, Ursa Major

Jonaaron Jones

President & GM External Parts, Beehive Industries

11:15 am - 12:00 pm

An Update on Statute and Policy Developments in Defense Acquisition

AUDITORIUM

Eric Lofgren

Professional Staff Member, U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee

12:00 - 1:00 pm

Networking Lunch

MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Fireside Chat - Rapid Explosives Production

AUDITORIUM

Marcus Jones, Ph.D.

Senior Fellow, Energetic Technologies Center

Moderator

The Hon. Mike Gallagher

Head of Defense, Palantir Technologies

2:00 - 2:45 pm

Fireside Chat - Accelerating and Scaling Private Investment

AUDITORIUM

Stacy Newstead

Co-Vice Chair, NDIA Manufacturing Division Chief Executive Officer, Evolution Energy Solutions Moderator

Moderator

Reza Nikfarjam

Deputy Director, Credit Program, Office of Strategic Capital

2:45 - 3:00 pm

Networking Break

MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

3:00 - 4:00 pm

Critical Materials – Bridging the Gap from Mine to Defense System

AUDITORIUM

Brian Gabriel

Co-Vice Chair, NDIA Manufacturing Division Senior Manager, Lockheed Martin Moderator

Del Renigar

Vice President for External Affairs, Rio Tinto

Zoe Oysul

Senior Policy Analyst, SAFE

Eric Bender

Vice President & General Manager Rare Earths, Tronox

Sam Stein

Chief of Strategic Planning, Defense Logistics Agency Strategic Materials

Sarah Whitten

Senior Vice President, China and Transformational Exports Program (CTEP), U.S. EXIM

4:00 - 5:00 pm Workforce Development

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Adele Ratcliff

Director, Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment (IBAS) Program

5:00 - 7:00 pm Networking Reception with Fireside Chat

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Stacy Newstead

Co-Vice Chair, NDIA Manufacturing Division Chief Executive Officer, Evolution Energy Solutions Moderator

Paul Burfield

Minister-Counsellor, Senior Trade & Investment Commissioner Australian Trade and Investment Commission

Wednesday, May 21

7:30 - 8:15 am Networking Breakfast

MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

8:15 - 8:20 am Welcome Remarks

AUDITORIUM

Brian Gabriel

Co-Vice Chair, NDIA Manufacturing Division Senior Manager, Lockheed Martin

8:20 - 9:05 am Keynote Speaker: OUSD - Industrial Base Policy

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William "Greg" Davis

Acting Director, Manufacturing Capability Expansion & Investment Prioritization (MCEIP)

9:05 - 9:20 am Networking Break

MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

9:20 - 10:00 am Contested Logistics—A Playbook For Investing in Surge Capacity

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John Matlik

Fellow-Digital Transformation Strategy, Northrop Grumman

Brench Boden

Digital Enterprise Lead, Air Force Research Lab Virtual

Michael McGrath

Co-Chair, NDIA's Digital Manufacturing Working Group Principal Consultant, McGrath Analytics

10:00 - 11:00 am

Al to Improve Manufacturing Competitiveness

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Stacy Newstead

Co-Vice Chair, NDIA Manufacturing Division Chief Executive Officer, Evolution Energy Solutions Moderator

Dr. Paul Deignan

Fellow, Lockheed Martin

Carolyn Mulhern

Executive Vice President Manufacturing, Palantir Technologies

Amir Abrari

Systems Engineer, SPEC Innovations

11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Reducing Burdens on Smaller Defense Manufacturers Panel

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Chris Peters

Senior Advisor, U.S. Partnership for Assured Electronics (USPAE) *Moderator*

Katharina McFarland

Former Assistant Secretary of Defense (Acquisition)

Daniele Kurze

Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)

Mitch Free

Chief Executive Officer & Founder, ZYCI CNC Machining

Dr. Steven Melnyk

Professor of Supply Chain and Operations Management, Michigan State University

12:30 - 12:35 pm

Closing Remarks

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Jim Segelstrom

Chair, NDIA's Manufacturing Division Chief Executive Officer, McNally Industries



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