

26th Annual National Test & Evaluation Conference

The 26th Annual National Test & Evaluation Conference will be held March 1-4, 2010, at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay in San Diego, Calif. The conference is sponsored by the National Defense Industrial Association Test & Evaluation Division, and supported by the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, and the Director, Operational Test & Evaluation. The theme is "Defense Test & Evaluation in a Net-Centric World." This national conference will address how test and evaluation can assure that those systems destined to function in such a net-centric highly interconnected combat environment will function as required. Recent policy initiatives to systematically apply Design of Experiments methodology to test and evaluation activities of the Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security will also be presented and discussed. For more information, contact Taryn Crowder at tcrowder@ndia.org or 703-247-2566; or register online at www.ndia.org/meetings/0910/Pages/default.aspx.

2010 IEEE Aerospace Conference

The International Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Aerospace Conference, with the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) as technical co-sponsor, will be held March 6-13, 2010, in Big Sky, Mont. The conference is organized to promote interdisciplinary understanding of aerospace systems, their underlying science and technology, and their applications to government and commercial endeavors. It is an annual, week-long conference designed for aerospace experts, academics, military personnel, and industry leaders, and is set in a stimulating and thought-provoking environment. The 2010 conference is the 31st conference since its inception in 1980. Register online at www.aeroconf.org/.

2010 Ground Robotics Capabilities Conference & Exhibition

The 2010 Ground Robotics Capabilities Conference & Exhibition will be held March 16-18, 2010, at the Doral in Miami, Fla. This conference will also provide a forum for the exchange of information, ideas, and methodologies to provide U.S. forces with unmanned ground technologies. Robot evolution is at an important crossroads—developers need a better appreciation for "mission relation" and operators want to better understand the technology. This year's theme is "Dual Role of Robotics Technologies—Public and Private Sector." This annual event will bring together warfighters and homeland security users, technology developers (government, industry, and academia), and acquisition professionals to address increased responsiveness to user needs. A series of panels and speakers will present a wide array of thought-provoking insights from diverse perspectives. For more in-

formation, contact Mary Katherine Saladino at msaladino@ndia.org or 703-247-2540; or register online at www.ndia.org/meetings/0380/Pages/default.aspx.

DTIC to Host 36th Annual Conference

The Defense Technical Information Center will be holding its annual conference March 22-24, 2010, at the Hilton Alexandria Old Town, Alexandria, Va. This is a significant year for DTIC. With the theme of "Celebrating 65 Years of Providing Access to Defense Information," the 2010 conference will address DTIC's important role since World War II as a repository of scientific and technical information and an information broker for the Department of Defense.

Throughout the years, DTIC has moved from microfiche and paper documents to searchable online resources available 24/7 from the user's desktop. Speakers from government, industry, and DTIC will address these evolving information technologies and discuss important topics during the three-day conference. The first two days of the conference will feature a number of government and commercial exhibitors demonstrating and discussing their information services and technologies.

DTIC's customers include scientists, engineers, and professionals in the federal technology research, development, information science, and acquisition communities. Conference participants represent the Department of Defense, other federal agencies, their contractors, and potential contractors.

Hands-on training will be located at DTIC's Headquarters Building, Ft. Belvoir, Va., March 25-26, 2010. Complimentary shuttle service between the conference hotel and the training site will be available both days. The conference Web site is located at www.dtic.mil/dtic/annualconf/2010/2010Home.html, and a handy fact sheet is available for reference at www.dtic.mil/dtic/annualconf/2010/AtGlanceSheet.pdf. For more information, contact DTIC's Conference Coordinator at 703-767-8236/DSN 427-8236, confinfo@dtic.mil.

8th Annual U.S. Missile Defense Conference and Exhibit (SECRET/U.S. Only)

The 8th Annual U.S. Missile Defense Conference and Exhibit (SECRET/U.S. Only) will be held March 22-24, 2010, at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C. The conference—hosted by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) in cooperation with Raytheon Corporation, and supported by the U.S. Missile Defense Agency (MDA)—provides delegates access to the current state of the worldwide Ballistic Missile Defense System, including a review of national policies,

service priorities, technical advances, and related issues that may support or affect the deployment of the BMDS. Discussions will provide views of the evolutionary development of a worldwide, layered, integrated BMDS; the integration and testing of BMDS capabilities; the status of key BMDS elements; and the current political/policy environment, including the status of allied programs in support of BMDS forward-deployed elements. Conference topics relate to the current and future issues such as integrated air and missile defense and the need for and merits of missile defense technology innovation. Register online at <www.aiaa.org/content.cfm?pageid=230&lumeetingid=2335>.

2010 IEEE International Symposium on Performance Analysis of Systems & Software (ISPASS)

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) International Symposium on Performance Analysis of Systems and Software will be held March 28-30, 2010, at the Crowne Plaza in White Plains, N.Y. This event provides a forum for sharing advanced academic and industrial research work focused on performance analysis in the design of computer systems and software. Register online at <www.ispass.org/ispass2010/>.

2010 Marine Corps Systems Command Advanced Planning Briefing to Industry (APBI)

The 2010 Marine Corps Systems Command Advanced Planning Briefing to Industry (APBI) will be held April 5-7, 2010, at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront in Baltimore, Md. The theme of the 2010 event will be "Equipping and Sustaining the Nation's Expeditionary Force of Choice." The goal is to increase industry awareness of the critical requirements for innovation that will ultimately protect warfighters and the nation's freedom. For more information, contact Meredith Geary, mgeary@ndia.org or 703-247-9476. Register online at <www.ndia.org/meetings/0900/Pages/default.aspx>.

2010 4th Annual IEEE Systems Conference

The 2010 4th Annual Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Systems Conference will be held April 5-8, 2010, at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay Hotel in San Diego, Calif. The theme of the IEEE Systems Conference is "Engineering Complex Integrated Systems and Systems-of-Systems Implications for Systems Engineering, Systems Integration, and Systems Thinking." Register online at <iee-systemscouncil.org/main/index.php>.

26th Annual National Logistics Conference & Exhibition

The 26th Annual National Logistics Conference & Exhibition will be held April 12-15, 2010, at the Hyatt Regency Miami in Miami, Fla. The theme of the 26th conference is "De-

fense Logistics in an Era of Change: Strategically Focused, Operationally Engaged, and Committed to Professional Development." The National Defense Industrial Association's Annual National Logistics Conference & Exhibition has become the premier national-level forum for exchanging ideas and sharing insights into improving support to the nation's warfighters across the spectrum of military operations. The conference brings together senior logistics policy officials and senior practitioners, attracting high-caliber government and industry participants. In addition, the expanded exhibit forum will highlight the best cutting-edge technologies being developed to support the nation's warfighters in an efficient, interoperable manner. For more information, contact Kelly A. Seymour at kseymour@ndia.org or 703-247-2583. Register online at <www.ndia.org/meetings/0730/Pages/default.aspx>.

DAU Acquisition Community Conference Information

The Defense Acquisition University 2010 Acquisition Community Conference will be held April 13, 2010, at the Defense Acquisition University Headquarters campus, Fort Belvoir, Va. The theme of the 2010 conference will be "Achieving Excellence in a Changing Acquisition Environment." Participants will engage with key top-level DoD, congressional, and industry speakers to:

- Examine impact of the Quadrennial Defense Review on acquisition and workforce implications
- Provide Service-level and industry perspectives on implementing new direction
- Address acquisition technical maturity and cost challenges
- Conclude with evening dinner honoring DAU Hall of Fame inductees, Acker Award recipient, and Hirsch Research Award winners.

This training seminar qualifies for four Continuous Learning Points (CLP). Register at <www.dauaa.org>.

11th Annual Science & Engineering Technology Conference/DoD Tech Exposition

The 11th Annual Science & Engineering Technology Conference/DoD Tech Exposition will be held April 13-15, 2010, at the Embassy Suites Hotel Charleston Convention Center in North Charleston, S.C. The theme of this year's event will be "Enabling Technologies to Fight Current & Future Conflicts." The mission of the Science & Engineering Technology Division of the National Defense Industrial Association is to foster science and technology affecting national defense. In pursuing this mission, the S&ETD will provide a forum for discussion of the nation's defense needs by reviewing existing capabilities and suggesting appropriate measures to overcome deficiencies in defense research and develop-

ment. An important part of this activity is the opportunity for individuals from industry, government, and academia to provide and assess vital information in an open forum on technical needs and planned efforts. The S&ETD will be dedicated to fostering an increased interest in meeting Department of Defense technology requirements by creative research and advanced development throughout industry, government, and academia. For more information, contact Mary Anna Christiansen at mchristiansen@ndia.org or 703-247-2596. Register online at www.ndia.org/meetings/0720/Pages/default.aspx.

2010 IEEE International Conference on Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)

The 2010 Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers International Conference on Radio Frequency Identification (IEEE RFID 2010) will be held April 14-15, 2010, at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Fla. This event is the fourth in a series of conferences addressing the theoretical, technical, and implementation issues related to RF-based identification and communications systems. The conference is sponsored by the IEEE Technical Committee on RFID, a new technical committee in IEEE specially chartered to address RFID. Register online at www.ieee-rfid.org/2010.

2010 IEEE Green Technologies Conference (IEEE-Green-2010)

The 2010 Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Green Technologies Conference (IEEE-Green-2010) will be held April 15-16, 2010, at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center in Grapevine, Texas. This event provides a forum for engineers, technicians, and practitioners to consider all aspects of Green technologies and their applications: alternative energy; energy usage and conservation; requirements and standards; and ecological, economical, and political impacts and effects. Register online at www.ieeegreentech.org/.

Precision Strike Association Annual Programs Review

The Precision Strike Association Annual Programs Review will be held April 20-21, 2010, at The Waterford at Springfield in Springfield, Va. The theme of this event will be "Iron Discipline in Acquisition to meet Precision Engagement Requirements." The 2010 annual review will focus on the review and way forward of important precision strike weapons systems and capabilities essential to meet the joint warfighters' needs—particularly those weapons systems in development and procurement. The acquisition community and the international arena are important elements of this review. More detailed information will be posted online as it becomes available at www.precisionstrike.org/events.htm.

22nd Annual Systems & Software Technology Conference (SSTC 2010)

The 22nd Annual Systems & Software Technology Conference (SSTC 2010) will be held April 26-29, 2010, in Salt Lake City, Utah. The theme of the 2010 event is "Technology: Changing the Game." Again, the International Council on Systems Engineering and SSTC have established an INCOSE Track as part of the SSTC 2010. Participants will explore the tools, the processes, and the ideas that will "change the game" and make the way the SSTC community has done things in the past obsolete. Register online at www.sstc-online.org/.

Global Explosive Ordnance Disposal Conference & Exhibition

The National Defense Industrial Association has partnered with the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Under Secretary for Policy, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations Low Intensity Conflict & Interdependent Capabilities, and the Global Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Memorial Foundation to sponsor the Global Explosive Ordnance Disposal Conference & Exhibition. This event will be held April 27-30, 2010, at the Emerald Coast Conference Center in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. The theme of the 2010 conference will be "Combating Terrorist Use of Explosives." The conference will provide a public forum to discuss the utility of Army, Navy, Marine, and Air Force EOD forces across the full spectrum of conflict, particularly in those areas of homeland defense, irregular warfare, stability operations and security force assistance, and major combat operations. For more information, contact Mary Anna Christiansen at mchristiansen@ndia.org or 703-247-2596. Register online at www.ndia.org/meetings/0950/Pages/default.aspx.

May 2010 DoD Procurement Conference

The Office of the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, will partner with the Defense Acquisition University to host a training conference for the contracting community during the week of May 10-14, 2010, in Orlando, Fla. The targeted population for the May 2010 event will be larger than in years past, and will include entry and journeyman-level members of the contracting workforce as well as the traditional senior-level attendees. The 2010 Conference Planning Committee, consisting of representatives from the DoD Components, is currently developing a draft agenda that includes a contracting senior leader offsite, and also distributing attendance quotas. Watch for more information regarding the details of this event at www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/ops/news/index.html.