
Conferences, Workshops & Symposia

34TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM FOR TESTING AND FAILURE ANALYSIS

The 34th International Symposium for Testing and Failure Analysis will be held Nov. 2–6, 2008, in Portland, Ore. Technical symposia, user groups, seminars, short courses, and the largest equipment exposition in the industry make ISTFA the best place to learn, network, and accelerate your career. Original, unpublished, and novel material will be presented on testing, analysis, characterization, and metrology of electronic devices and systems from nanoscale to macroscale. For additional conference information, e-mail ASM International at customer.service@asminternational.org; call 440-338-5151, ext. 0; or fax 440-338-4634.

FALL PEO/SYSCOM COMMANDERS' CONFERENCE

The fall 2008 Program Executive Officer/Systems Command (PEO/SYSCOM) Commanders' Conference, will be held Nov. 4–5, 2008, at the Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va. The PEO/SYSCOM Commanders' conferences are a series of senior-level, invitation-only, non-attribution events that host approximately 300 Department of Defense and industry participants at each event. The annual forum provides a good opportunity for senior leadership from DoD and industry to meet and share their views and priorities. The point of contact for the 2008 conference is Alphronzo "Al" Moseley at alphronzo.moseley@dau.mil or call 703-805-4639.

22ND INTERNATIONAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION WORLD CONGRESS

The 22nd International Project Management Association World Congress will be held Nov. 9–11, 2008, in Rome, Italy. Project Management skills are closely connected with business development and management skills, delivery skills, and economic performance. The simple truth is that more project-oriented employees better support the company strategy. Portfolio and program management must be based on the real strategic goals of the enterprise. It takes several years to develop a company culture that is truly project-oriented. The 22nd IPMA World Congress has taken up the challenge of accelerating that pace of development. For more information, go to <www.ipmaroma2008.it> .

NATIONAL NANO ENGINEERING CONFERENCE (NNEC 2008)

The National Nano Engineering Conference (NNEC) 2008 will be held Nov. 12–13, 2008, in Boston, Mass. NNEC is the premier event focused on current and future develop-

ments in engineering innovations at the nanoscale, as well as the commercialization of nanotechnology. For more information e-mail Luke Schnirring at luke@abpi.net; call 212-490-3999; or fax 212-986-7864.

7TH ANNUAL LIGHT ARMORED VEHICLES AND STRYKER SUMMIT

The 7th Annual Light Armored Vehicles and Stryker Summit will be held Nov. 17–20, 2008, at the Sheraton Premier at Tysons Corner in Vienna, Va. The theme of the 2008 summit is "Extending the Life and Capabilities of a Proven Force Multiplier." This year's event will examine areas of opportunity in the family of LAV vehicles; newly fielded models; and explore aspects of the vehicle, including armor, communications, firepower, drive trains, battery power, and other important components. For more information on the summit, e-mail the Institute for Defense Government Advancement at info@igda.org; call 800-882-8684; or fax 646-378-6026.

AIAA MISSILE SCIENCES CONFERENCE

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Missile Sciences Conference will be held Nov. 18–20, 2008, at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. The AIAA Missile Sciences Conference provides a forum to present and discuss technical subjects related to missile systems and subsystems. **This conference is classified SECRET U.S. ONLY.** Take advantage of this comprehensive conference agenda to share your missile science technologies with the missile defense community. For more information on the conference, e-mail Cathy Chenevey at custserv@aiaa.org; call 703-264-7500; or fax 703-264-7551.

AEROTEST AMERICA 2008

AeroTest America 2008 will be held Nov. 18–20, 2008, in Fort Worth, Texas. Participants will be exposed to the world of aerospace engineering analysis, testing and evaluation, measurement, inspection, monitoring, compliance, and certification—all under one roof. Other topics covered will be aerodynamics structures and fatigue, engines/propulsion, materials, electronics, cables and wiring, avionics and databus, hydraulics/fluid power, acoustics, vibration and shock, mechanical/mechatronic, software/embedded system, fuels/fuel systems, telemetry, data acquisition, sensors and transducers, EMC/environmental impact and safety, and more. For more information on the 2008 conference, e-mail nancy.roediger@aerotestamerica.com or call 1-800-913-5022.

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1ST ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE: “A DIALOGUE ON ACQUISITION LEADERSHIP”

The Defense Acquisition University-South Region/Senior Service College Fellowship, The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and Team Redstone will co-sponsor the 1st Annual Leadership Conference: “A Dialogue on Acquisition Leadership.” This first event, a learning conference facilitating the exchange of best practices and ideas, will be held at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville, Ala., on Nov. 20, 2008. Successfully transforming DoD acquisition depends on leaders at all levels communicating a clear and consistent strategy for continuous improvement in DoD’s acquisition processes. This conference supports the Senior Service College Fellowship vision of a leadership forum. Acquisition, warfighter, industry, and political senior leaders will provide their views on strategies to successfully transform DoD acquisition processes. Register now to reserve a place at < www.coned.uah.edu/jsp/leadershipconf08.jsp > .

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 2008

The Government Contract Management Conference 2008 will be held Nov. 20–21, 2008, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in Bethesda, Md. This year’s theme will be “Accountability in Government Contracting: Restoring Public Trust.” Connect with business, legislative, and political professionals to see how innovative acquisition and contract management processes can improve performance and enhance the bottom line for both government and industry. Explore recent and pending legislation, federal budgeting, service contracting, best practices, and small business utilization, with outstanding speakers from government agencies, industry, private practice, and academia. As an added bonus, earn up to 12 hours of continuing education by attending this two-day conference. Register at < www.ncmahq.org/Events/ConferenceList.cfm?navItemNumber=532 > .

26TH ARMY SCIENCE CONFERENCE

The 26th Army Science Conference, sponsored by the assistant secretary of the Army for acquisition, logistics and technology, will be held at the JW Marriott Grande Lakes, Orlando, Fla., Dec. 1–4, 2008. The theme of the 2008 conference is “Transformational Army Science and Technology: Harnessing Disruptive S&T for the Soldier.” ASC aims to promote and strategically communicate that the Army is a high-tech force, enable the public to understand what the Army S&T community does to support the soldier, and enable conference attendees to better appreciate the potential of emerging technologies to provide

disruptive capabilities that future soldiers may leverage to their advantage. The audience is expected to include representatives from government, academia, and industry from both the United States and over 25 foreign nations. Register at < www.asc2008.com > .

NEXT-GENERATION MATERIALS FOR DEFENSE—NGMD 08

The Next-Generation Materials for Defense, NGMD 2008, will be held Dec. 8-10, 2008, at the Hilton Arlington, in Arlington, Va. Military operations and the presence of American officials and forces around the world have made the development of advanced materials for defense a key investment for the U.S. military. NGMD 2008 will provide key insight into current material needs and requirements as well as application possibilities for various materials technologies that are currently under development. For more information, e-mail the Institute for Defense Government Advancement at info@igda.org; call 800-882-8684; or fax 646-378-6026.

AIR FORCE PRINT NEWS (JULY 14, 2008) OFFICIALS CONDUCT ‘ROAD SHOW’ FOR ACQUISITION TRANSFORMATION

WASHINGTON—The Installation Acquisition Transformation initiative, a comprehensive restructuring of continental U.S. installation acquisition practices, is moving forward as Air Force contracting officials continue traveling to affected bases to explain the changes ahead. Under the transformation, Air Force Materiel Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, will head five geographically based installation acquisition groups, leaving only a small contracting presence at each installation.

The IAT Road Show began in February and has already visited bases in the Southwest, Midwest, and Southeast. Col. Mark Hobson, provisional director for the newly formed Installation Acquisition Center at Wright-Patterson AFB, heads the Road Show team and said he is excited about meeting with the contracting workforce and local industry. The complete transformation is anticipated to take three to five years, with the first positions migrating to the installation acquisition groups between fiscal years 2010–2012. IAT only applies to continental U.S. installation buying activities and does not apply to major weapons systems and their logistical support, laboratory support, or research, development, test, and evaluation.

For more information about the Road Show, visit the IAT Web site at < <http://ww3.safaq.hq.af.mil/factsheets/factsheet.asp?id=11457> > .