

NDIA Armaments Division 2009 Activity and Status Report

Small Arms Systems Committee

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Vision

America's leading Defense Industry association

promoting National Security

Mission

ADVOCATE: Cutting-edge technology and superior weapons, equipment, training, and support for the War-Fighter and First Responder

PROMOTE: A vigorous, responsive, Government - Industry National Security Team

PROVIDE: A forum for exchange of information between Industry and Government on National Security issues

"If I were inviting a colleague to join, I'd say the most compelling reason is the prestige of NDIA membership." -- NDIA member





•Committees:

- Gun and Missile Systems
- Small Arms Systems
- Division/Committee Leadership:
 - Armament Division: Dave Broden--Chair Broden Resource Solutions LLC
 - Gun and Missile Systems: Brian Tasson ATK-Mission Systems
 - Small Arms Systems: Brian Berger GD-OTS-Canada





NDIA Armaments Division Scope

Armament Division Committees and Related Scope:

- Gun and Missile Systems
 - Integrated Armament/Weapon Systems
 - Direct and Indirect Fire Weapon Systems
 - Cannon Caliber (Weapons and Ammo)
 - Vehicle, Helicopter, Aircraft etc.
 - Tank Cannons and Ammunition
 - Artillery/Mortar (Weapons and Ammo)
 - Shipboard Cannons (Weapons and Ammo)
 - Tactical Missiles
 - Integration Systems (Fire Control etc.)
 - Platform Interface and Integration
 - Training Systems

Small Arms Systems

- Integrated Small Arms Systems
- Individual Weapons
- Crew Served Weapons
- Ammunition
- Fire Control
- Training Systems





Conference Themes 2009

Gun and Missile Systems:

 Shaping the Future in Weapon Systems Development, Deployment and Reset

Small Arms Systems:

 Enhancing Small Arms Effectiveness in Current and Future Operations

• Theme Purpose and Focus:

- Relevant to DOD Thrusts/Trends
- Linked to Programs and Technology
 - Strengthening Government and Industry Partnership
 - Confirming Innovative Industry Response to:
 - Evolving Needs
 - Ensuring Readiness





Joint Conference Theme 2010

• Joint Theme: 21st Century Weapon Systems----Providing the Right Response

Committee Focus Themes

- Gun and Missile Systems:
 - Precision and Lethality in Medium and Large Caliber Systems

Small Arms Systems:

 Technology and Systems Sustaining and Evolving Small Arms Capability

Linking Armament Community Personnel, Systems, and Technology • Leveraging Commonality--- Enabling Capability • Ensuring Readiness





2010 Joint Conference Objectives

- A <u>Single Common Conference</u> for the Entire Armament Community
 - Government
 - Industry
- Discussion of Key Armament Policy, Requirements, Technology, Systems And Industrial Base Topics <u>Relevant to Both Committees</u>
- Expanded Networking Opportunities
- <u>Leveraging of Common</u> Technology, Subsystems, Components, Processes, and Capabilities
- Conference Synergism <u>Efficiencies</u>
 - Travel Once vs. Twice for Many Attendees--Economies
- Flexibility of Session Attendance (Move from one to another)
 Expand Awareness of Technology and Systems

NDIA Plans -- Repeat Every Three Years





2010 Joint Conference Opportunities

- Expanded <u>Networking</u> Among Government and Industry
- <u>Exhibits</u> Addressing Technology, Systems, and Services Applied in Both Gun and Missile Systems and Small Arms Systems
- <u>Expanded</u> Scope and Variety of <u>Presentations</u>
- Opportunities for "Poster" Session Presentation—Expanding the Number And Format of Presentations
- Committee Goal: Larger and Broader Group of Attendees-- Opportunity for *Focus on Keynote Speakers* etc.
- Program Format Enabling Attendee <u>Dialogue</u> with Key Speakers Panels and Forums
- <u>Expanded Firing Demo</u>-Technology and Systems Beyond Small Arms

Committee Welcomes Suggestions for Topics And Format Which Add Value and Opportunity





Armament Division 2010 Joint Conference Benefits

- Armament Community Communications
- Networking
- Single Conference Integrating Armament Companies, Resources, Capabilities, and Personnel
- Enabling Opportunities (New Programs, Partnerships, Cooperation)
- Awareness of Innovation in Technology and Services
- Communications and Understanding of Evolving DOD Trends, Thrusts, Budgets, Program Guidelines etc.
- Impact Discussions Regarding Industrial Base "Soft Landing"





Armament Division 2009 Activity Highlights

- Conference Interest, Participation, and Attendance Strong in Economic Change
- Strategic Initiative Actions Focused to "Continuous Improvements"
 - Program Content
 - Keynote Speakers
 - Joint Programs (Linking Divisions/Committees/Topics)
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)--Human Capital Objectives--Confirmed in Member Companies
- Attention to Education and Training at Conferences
- Membership Attention to NDIA "Top Issues"
 - "Input--Impact--Results"
- Input to Industrial College of Armed Forces Re: Industry Perspective





Armament Division 2009 Activity Highlights

- Small Arms Systems Membership Supporting OSD Small Arms Study
 - Internal DOD Assessment
 - Industry Comments and Assessment
- Plans for Future Conference Collaboration
- Discussion of DOD Study Support
- Executive Committee Operation Improvements
- Conference Participation Opportunities Initiatives
 - Updated Call for Papers
 - Panels
 - Joint Conferences
 - Poster Sessions
 - Member Initiatives

Ensuring "Value Added" Addressing Attendee and Member Interests
Executive Committee Actions





2009 Strategic Thrust Initiatives

- Continue Strategic Focus Thrusts-<u>-"Continuous Improvement"</u>
- Conference Content, Format, and Presentation <u>Quality Improvements</u>
- Executive Committee Operation and Membership
 - Active Participation
 - Uniformed Membership
- Seeking <u>DOD "Value Added Study"</u> Initiatives
 - Ensuring Member Participation
 - Completing Objectives
- <u>Expand Joint and Shared Conference Agendas</u> with Other NDIA Committees/Divisions
- Strengthen Industry Conference Participation
 - Keynotes
 - Panels
 - Presentations
 - •Exhibits





2009 Strategic Thrust Initiatives

• Conferences and Agendas Focused to Enabling Opportunities Which Ensure Continued Strength thru Innovation, Application of Resources, and Personnel during Economic Adjustment

- Provide for Capability Superiority and National Defense Readiness
- Ensure <u>"Life Cycle System and Technology Focus</u>" in all Conferences
- Communicate and Support <u>Industrial Base "Soft Landing"</u> Capabilities
- Membership Engagement in STEM Initiatives and Division
 - Education
 - Mentoring
- Increased Active Input and Links to <u>"Top Issues"</u>
- Seek Expanded On-Going <u>Member/Attendee Input and Impact</u>
 - Direct to Committees/Division
 - Via Chapter Interface





Response to DOD Adjustments

- Conferences and Agendas Addressing Adjustments
 - National Defense Objectives
 - Budget Trends
 - Procurement Changes
 - Special Topic Conferences where Appropriate
- Ensuring Member Interests--Topics--Issues are Addressed
- "Top Issue" Input and Impact
- Effective Communication
 - National Defense Magazine
 - Website
 - Chapter Meetings
 - Armament Division Feedback

Communicate and Inform Members Respond to Challenges





Attendee Support and Input

- Comments and Suggestions Regarding Conference Program
 - Locations
 - Content and Format
 - Format--Single vs. Concurrent Sessions
 - Exhibits
 - Presentations, Keynotes, Panels etc.
- 2010 Joint Conference Focus Topics and Activities
 - Topics
 - Format
- "Top Issue" Topics Benefiting Industry and Government
- Strengthening Networking
- Highlighting Topics to be Included

Member Input Ensures Responsive "Value Added" Conferences





Human Capital Status, Development and Utilization

• <u>Objective</u>: Ensure the Human Capital Resources are Available, And Have the Skills and Subject Matter Expertise to Support Armament System Technology, Development, and Production

- 1. Support for **STEM Initiatives** in Education and in Industry
- 2. <u>Manufacturing Personnel Training</u> Including Tool Design and Machine Operators

3. Enable <u>Expanded Mentoring</u> and Links of Senior Subject Matter Expertise(SME's) with Entering Employees--Need to Build Armament Engineering and Manufacturing Capability by Mentoring etc.

- NDIA STEM Division--Organized to Focus on Manpower Readiness
- 4. Provide for Challenging and Innovative Jobs and Tasks





Human Capital Status, Development and Utilization

- Opportunities for NDIA Members:
 - Expand Activity in STEM Initiatives
 - Within Companies
 - In Communities
 - With NDIA



- NDIA Conferences Regarding Workforce etc.
 - Manufacturing Workforce Symposium
 - 16-17 June 2009
 - Crown Plaza-O'Hare Airport
 - Chicago
- Top Issue Focus and Actions





NDIA Top Issue Topics 2009

• NDIA Top Issue Objectives: Guide Association's Advocacy and Educational Activities Throughout Each Year

• <u>Top Issue Focus Approach</u>: Broad Topics --Essential to Maintaining Strong Viable Defense Industry Capable of Meeting US National Security Requirements

• <u>Developed by</u>: Senior NDIA Industry Leadership--Approved by Board of Directors

 Input from Divisions and Committees-- Opportunity for Impact

• <u>Distributed to:</u> Congress, Key Decision Makers with Executive Branch, Allied Governments, Industry Leaders, and Association Membership.

<u>Consideration of Topics and Action by Appropriate</u> <u>Government Officials</u>





"Top Issue Topics"--Member Input

- Participation in Identifying and Developing Annual "Top Issues":
 - Attendees/Members Indentify Issue Topics
 - Executive Committee Submit Topic, Rationale, and Benefits to Legislative Affairs Committee
- "Top Issue" Communication to Members
 - "Top Issue" Annual Document
 - Conference And Symposium Briefings Updates
 - National Defense Magazine
 - NDIA Website
- <u>"Top Issue"--Action Impact Awareness</u>
 - To Policy
 - To Programs
 - To Procurement (Contract Type, FAR etc.)
 - To Regulations (e.g. ITAR, FAR, etc.)
 - Small Business
 - "Soft Landing"





Issue 1: Improve The Workforce Advantage To Ensure US National Security

 Strengthen Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Educational Opportunities for US Citizens

• Improve Education, Training, and Retention of the Federal Acquisition Workforce

• Relieve Industrial Security Clearance Backlog And Ensure Timely Processing of Industrial Security Clearances





Issue 2: Maintain A Responsive and Capable Defense Industrial Base

- Develop and Implement Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Attract And Retain a Skilled Manufacturing Workforce
- Modernize Defense Manufacturing Facilities
- Environmental Protection
- Increase Funding for Ground Robotics Research , Development, and Engineering





Issue 3: Ensure The Integrity and Responsiveness of the Acquisition Process

- Support Existing Laws and Regulations Concerning Contractor Voluntary Disclosure
- Contractor Ethical Conduct
- Ensure The Government Has Full Access to Commercial Products and Services
- Ensure The Integrity and Accessibility of the Interagency Contracting Process





Issue 4: Increase Government Contract Usage of All Small Businesses

• The Role of Women Owned Small Businesses

• Support Legislative Reforms to Increase Women Owned Small Business Access to All Industry Categories

•Improve Intellectual Property Protection for Small Business

• Permanently Reauthorize the Small Business Innovative Research Program (SBIR)

• Repeal the Three Percent Withholding on All Government Contracts

•Create Benefit Parity for Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSB)





Issue 5: Sustaining Military Readiness While Providing For the Future

• Increase Funding for Modeling and Simulation (M&S) Research, Development, and Procurement

• Evolve Enterprise Information Environments and Security

• Enhance Readiness: Training, Simulations, and Education

• Partner with Industry In Efforts to Streamline Policies, Programs, and Business Practices Relative to Transformation





Issue 6: Ensure International Competitiveness of US Defense Industrial Base

- ITAR Broker Registration/Requirements of ITAR Part 129 for Foreign Nationals
- United States Army Security Assistance Command
- Support the Coalition for Security and Competitiveness
- Reinforce U.K. And Australian Defense Cooperation Treaties
- Supplement or Revise The Foreign Assistance Act and Export Controls Act
- •Train and Equip Foreign Partners in The Global War on Terrorism





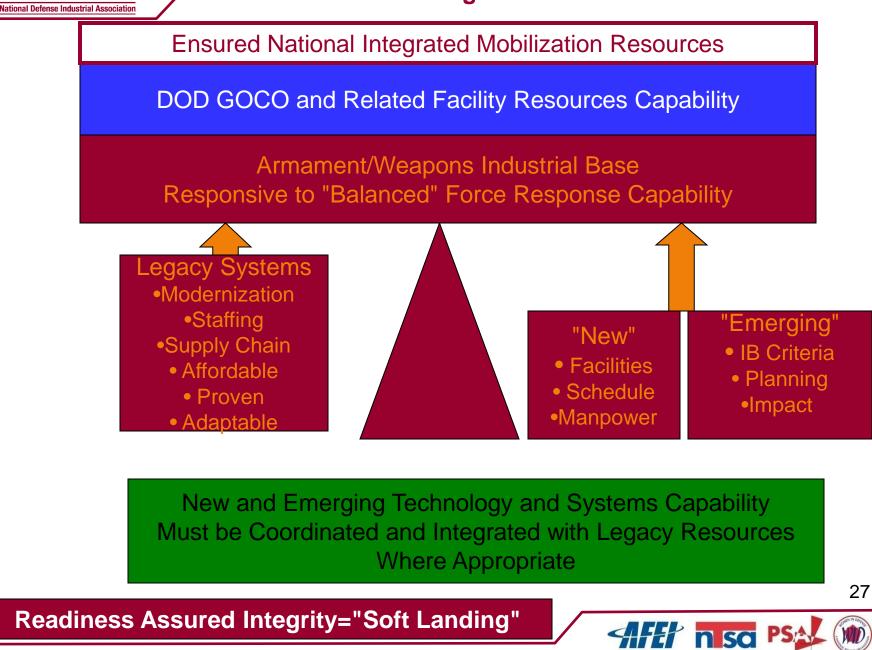
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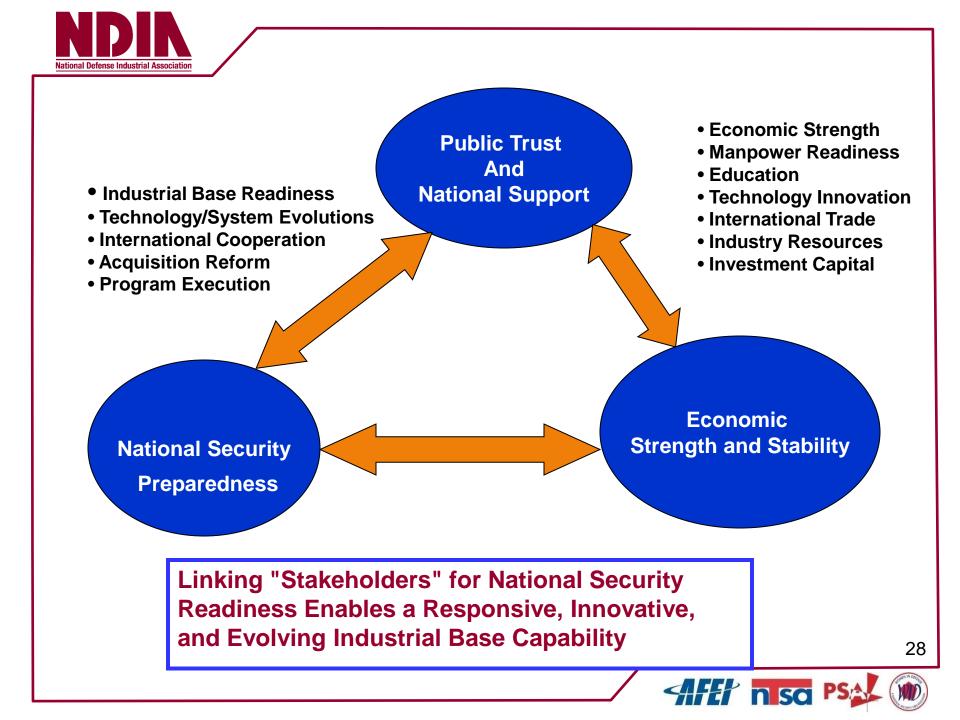
- Expand Section 506 Draw Down Authority
- Increase Congressional Notification Threshold
- Establish Defense Coalition Support Account
- Support the Blue-Lantern-Golden Sentry Education Program
- Improve Defense Technology Transfers Among US Partners and Allies
- Resolve Dual National Issues While Protecting US Interests.





Evolving Industrial Base Vision







Armament Division 2009 Challenges

• <u>Maintaining Armament Division Strength</u> Thru Active Participation During Economic Adjust

 Structuring Conferences With <u>Topics Focused and Relevant</u> to DOD Adjustments and Plans Related to Industrial Base "Soft Landing"

• Establishing Industry Response to: <u>"Balanced Capability and Assured</u> <u>Readiness--</u>"Balancing Legacy with Evolving and New Capability"

- Strengthening <u>Partnerships</u>
 - Government and Industry
 - US and International Community

• Ensuring that Conferences Integrate <u>Innovative and Visionary</u> Capability Complementing Legacy Resources

•Membership/Attendee Participation in <u>"Top Issues"</u>





Armament Division Leadership Vision

• A <u>*Relevant Voice and Forum*</u>–Enabling Government/Industry Impact to Issues/Topics

- NDIA Mission Statements Shape Armament Division--Strategic Focus
- A Forum for Response to DOD and Industry Challenges
- A Forum Enabling <u>Response to "Lessons Learned" and Evolving Needs</u>

 Supporting National Defense through <u>People, Resources, Networking,</u> and Conferences.

• <u>Transforming to Ensure Relevance</u> to Changing Military, Geopolitical, Technology, Systems and Industrial Base Capabilities

NDIA is Resource of Choice for Excellence and Leadership National Defense Topics/Communications





Armament Division Seeking Conference Attendee Suggestions/Recommendations

- Armament Division Leadership is Committed to Quality, "Value Added" Conferences that Are Responsive to Attendee Interests
- Attendee Suggestions are Welcomed throughout the Year
- Response to NDIA Conference Questionnaire
- Comments to Leadership (Discussions, email, telecom etc.)

• Comments Regarding: Conference Location, Length, Format, Speaker Topics, Presentation Topics, Presentation Approach, Panels, Exhibits, Poster Sessions, Demos, New Approaches, etc.



Continuous Improvement Strengthens Network Communications And Enables Innovation In Technology and Systems--Building Preparedness and Readiness Response





Armament Division Take-Away Thoughts

• NDIA *Mission is Focused* to Strength, Responsiveness, Readiness, and Human Resources

- NDIA Strategic Focus Committed to Continuous Improvement-----
 - <u>"Value Added", Responsive, Adaptable, and Impacting Issues, and</u> <u>Ensuring Resources and Skilled Human Capital</u>
- <u>Collaboration and Joint Conference Activity</u> Offers Efficiency and Expanded Scope and Depth Available to Members
- <u>Member/Attendee Input/Interests</u> is Key Conference Planning Focus
- NDIA Conferences, Communications, and <u>Networking Enables</u> <u>Adaptability</u> During DOD and Economic Adjustment

• <u>Training and Education</u> Segment Increases Awareness of Trends and New DOD Program, Budgeting, and Contract Initiatives





Summary-Wrap Up

• <u>Armament/Weapons Industrial Base</u> has an Strong, Responsive and Proven Structure and Capability

• <u>"New" and "Emerging" Technologies and Systems</u> Must be Integrated into Industrial Base on Timely and Effective Basis

• Industrial <u>"Soft Landing"</u> Focus is Critical to Maintaining Readiness for a <u>"Balanced"</u> Capability of Legacy and "New"

• <u>International Cooperation</u> has been a key element of Armament/Weapons Capability--Cooperation and International Sales Opportunities must be Maintained.-- <u>Industry Supports and Encourages</u> <u>Trade.</u>

• Acquisition and Program Management Topics Must Continue to be a Focus--<u>Contract Reform, JCIDS, Execution, Collaboration etc.</u>

•<u>Manpower Resources</u> for Must Evolve to Support Industrial Base--<u>STEM</u>

• <u>Innovation</u> Must be a Central Theme in Industrial Base and Government Activities.

Economic Conditions must not divert National Security Preparedness--Enabler for Economic Recovery

