The Challenges Ahead....
The Environment

• Ambitious Quadrennial Defense Review

• Top Line = ?

• Augustine’s Forecast (2050?)

• Actual Performance
Setting Objectives

• Tactical Desires ("Non-Obtainium"?)

• "Laws" of Physics

• Initiatives
  – Mainframe/PC/Blackberry/iPhone
  – GPS
What’s the Potential Role of T&E?

• Classically “After the Fact”

• Temptation to Skip in Urgent Deployments

• Report of the Committee on National Statistics
Ensuring Success for the Weapons System Acquisition Reform Act

• Tension with Urgency

• Emphasis on Realism

• Reinvigorating Systems Engineering

Can T&E be an Enabling Partner?