SUNDAY, MAY 20

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  Registration Open  SPONSORED BY  GENERAL DYNAMICS Mezzanine

MONDAY, MAY 21

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  Registration Open  SPONSORED BY  GENERAL DYNAMICS Mezzanine

1:00 – 2:00 PM  Intro to USSOCOM 101  Ballrooms A–C

USSOCOM subject matter experts from SOF AT&L will present an overview of the command and acquisition center and its current programs. This event is structured to provide insight into initiatives and processes for those who have not recently done business with USSOCOM.

2:00 – 3:00 PM  CRADA “Crash Course”  Rooms 18–19

SOF AT&L will present the basic construct of a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) and the process for entering into a CRADA with USSOCOM. An interactive discussion will follow the presentation. It will include the value of entering into the agreement and the criteria SOF AT&L uses in determining if it is the right tool for the Industry-proposed work and what Industry can do to improve the CRADA tool and process.

2:00 – 3:00 PM  RFP Sections L&M Exchange  Rooms 20–21

SOF AT&L Contracting Officers and Program Managers will conduct roundtable exchanges with attendees on Sections L and M of USSOCOM Request For Proposals, highlighting keys to submitting successful proposals. Emphasis will be given to Industry’s proposal response to Compensation for Professional Employees (Reference FAR 52.222-46).

2:00 – 4:30 PM  USSOCOM Marketplace  Ballroom D

The U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) Marketplace is a resource room of USSOCOM experts who will be available to answer attendee questions as they relate to doing business with the command. The marketplace is especially useful for first-time SOFIC attendees or those who are new to doing business with USSOCOM. This informal exchange will include experts from the Technology & Industry Liaison Office, Office of Small Business Programs, Small Business Innovation Research, Project Vulcan and Discovery, Technical Experimentation, Cooperative Research and Development Agreements, Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA), S&T Business Process/Futures Foundry, and SOFWERX. This year, C4, Fixed Wing, Maritime, Rotary Wing, SOF Warrior, Special Reconnaissance, Surveillance and Exploitation, J4 Logistics, and Science & Technology will showcase their Capability Gaps in the SOFWERX area.

3:00 – 3:30 PM  Networking Break  Ballroom Foyer
3:30 – 4:30 PM  Communications with Industry  
Rooms 20–21  
SOF AT&L Contracting Officers and Program Managers will conduct roundtable exchanges with attendees on the different communication medium (e.g., FedBizOpps, Industry Days, etc.) used to forecast or discuss new requirements with industry and the limitations on communications during the formal source selection process. The intent of these exchanges is to provide industry with insight on the left and right limits of Government communication during the acquisition process and to gain insight from industry on areas where SOF AT&L can improve in its communications with industry. Specific emphasis will be given to the communications during the Market Research and Pre-Solicitation Phase, i.e. responding to Government Requests for Information (RFI’s), sources sought, etc.

3:30 – 4:30 PM  Facility Clearances  
Rooms 18–19  
This session will explain the process, timeliness, and requirements for individual businesses as well as Joint Ventures to navigate the waters to get to a Facility Clearance.

4:00 – 9:00 PM  Satellite Registration  
Marriott Tampa Waterside

TUESDAY, MAY 22

7:00 AM – 6:30 PM  Registration Open  
Sponsored by General Dynamics  
Mezzanine

7:00 – 8:00 AM  Continental Breakfast  
Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 8:15 AM  Welcome Remarks  
Ballrooms A–C  
• MG James Boozer, USA (Ret), Chief of Staff, National Defense Industrial Association

8:15 – 9:15 AM  Acquisition Agility/SOFWERX  
Ballrooms A–C  
Acquisition Agility will present a joint presentation from USSOCOM and Doolittle Institute leadership on the mission, methods, path forward, and engagement opportunities with USSOCOM through the SOFWERX collaboration and innovation platform. The presentation will highlight recent rapid prototyping, collaboration, and proof of concept events conducted at USOCOM and SOFWERX that underpin the goal to generate acquisition efficiency, speed, and flexibility.

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM  Tactical Assault Light Operator Suit (TALOS) Breakout Sessions  
Industry Engagement  
Rooms 11–13  
Advanced Registration Required  
These breakout meetings will allow interested SOFIC attendees to engage privately with the TALOS subject matter experts and learn more about collaborating with this unique SOF AT&L initiative. These meetings are intended to be targeted in nature towards the TALOS functional area or areas of interest to include visual augmentation, C4I, exoskeleton, base layer & human factors, power solutions, computing, armor or general engineering.
9:00 AM – 6:00 PM Exhibit Hall Open
Exhibit Hall

9:30 – 10:30 AM Science & Technology Engagement & Opportunities
Ballrooms A–C
USSOCOM Director, Science and Technology will provide an S&T overview and discuss the various USSOCOM S&T engagements and opportunities that are available for industry, academia, and other external organizations.

9:30 – 11:00 AM J4 Global Logistics Overview & Industry Engagement
Rooms 7–8
To further enhance SOF logistics and sustainment capability, the USSOCOM J4, Director of Logistics will provide a brief on current initiatives to use multi-source, multi-partner data to provide a user-friendly interface to real-time, actionable, logistics information.

9:30 – 11:00 AM Senior Industry Executive Forum (Small Business)
Rooms 24–25
• Mr. James H. Smith, Acquisition Executive, USSOCOM
• Mr. Christopher A. Harrington, Director of the Office of Small Business Programs, USSOCOM
• MG James Boozer, USA (Ret), Chief of Staff, National Defense Industrial Association
Advanced Registration Required
Speakers will discuss with Small Business industry leaders how USSOCOM and industry can collaborate more closely to provide Special Operations Forces around the world with the capabilities and support they need.
Pre-approved small business industry CEOs, COOs, and Presidents are invited to participate in a Small Business Senior Industry Executive Forum.

9:30 AM – 12:30 PM Innovation Showcase
Ballroom D

9:30 AM – 12:30 PM USSOCOM Marketplace
Ballroom D

10:30 – 11:00 AM Networking Break
Exhibit Hall

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM SOF AT&L International Operations
Ballrooms A–C
Overview of Interoperability Challenges and associated Direct Commercial and Foreign Military Sales Opportunities

1:00 – 1:15 PM Conference Welcome Remarks SPONSORED BY
Bank of America
Merrill Lynch
• MG James Boozer, USA (Ret), Chief of Staff, National Defense Industrial Association
• Mr. Robert F. Buckhorn, Jr., Mayor, Tampa, FL

1:15 – 2:45 PM USSOCOM Commander and Acquisition Executive Opening Remarks
Ballrooms A–C
• GEN Raymond A. Thomas, III, USA, Commander, USSOCOM
• Mr. James H. Smith, Acquisition Executive, USSOCOM
2:30 – 4:30 PM  **Tactical Assault Light Operator Suit (TALOS) Breakout Sessions – Industry Engagement**  
*Rooms 11-13*

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2:45 – 3:30 PM  **Networking Break**  
*Exhibit Hall*

3:30 – 4:30 PM  **TSOC Panel to Industry**  
*Ballrooms A–C*

USSOCOM TSOC Commanders will participate in panel discussions on key acquisition, requirements, operations, and technology issues in the context of theater SOF missions.

3:30 – 4:30 PM  **Innovation Showcase**  
*Ballroom D*

3:30 – 4:30 PM  **USSOCOM Marketplace**  
*Ballroom D*

4:30 – 6:00 PM  **Networking Reception**  
*Exhibit Hall*

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 23**

7:00 AM – 4:30 PM  **Registration Open**  
*Sponsored by**  
*GENERAL DYNAMICS Mezzanine*

7:00 – 8:00 AM  **Continental Breakfast**  
*Ballroom Foyer*

8:00 – 9:30 AM  **S&T Future Operating Environment and Futures Foundry**  
*Ballrooms A–C*

USSOCOM Director of Science and Technology (S&T) and the Director, Combat Developments (CDD) will discuss the Future Operating Environment and its potential impacts on Special Operations Forces during the next 5-7 years. S&T interests in pursuing, developing, and evolving capabilities to achieve mission success in the Future Operating Environment and S&T’s new Futures Foundry events initiative will be discussed.
8:00 – 9:30 AM  **USSOCOM PEO Overviews & Program–Focused Concurrent Sessions**

*Rooms 5–6:* Program Executive Office for Rotary Wing  
*Room 9:* Program Executive Office for Services  
*Rooms 14–16:* Program Executive Office for Special Reconnaissance, Surveillance, and Exploitation  
*Rooms 18–19:* Program Executive Office for Fixed Wing  
*Rooms 20–21:* Program Executive Office for SOF Warrior  
*Rooms 22–23:* Program Executive Office for Maritime  
*Rooms 24–25:* Program Executive Office for Command, Control, Communications, and Computers

USSOCOM Program Executive Officers will provide a strategic overview of current acquisition programs of record, followed by Program Manager-led detailed program-focused presentations on specific USSOCOM program initiatives, challenges, and issues as they relate to global acquisition, technology, and logistics support for SOF.

8:00 – 9:30 AM  **TALOS Breakout Sessions**  

*Rooms 11–13*  
*Advanced Registration Required*

8:00 – 11:15 AM  **SOF Support Activity (SOFSA) Overview**  

*Rooms 7–8*  

Program Executive Office Special Operations Forces Support Activity (PEO SOFSA) will provide a SOFSA overview and discuss the various SOF Global Logistics Services Support (GLSS) opportunities that are available to SOCOM’s Components, TSOCs and other SOF AT&L PEOs. The session will explain how to interact with PEO SOFSA so the desired outcome is achieved in the most cost efficient and timely manner.

9:00 AM – 4:30 PM  **Exhibit Hall Open**  

*Exhibit Hall*

9:30 – 9:45 AM  **Networking Break**  

*Exhibit Hall*

9:45 – 11:15 AM  **Senior Industry Executive Forum (Large Companies)**  

*Rooms 24–25*  

Welcome  

- GEN Hawk Carlisle, USAF (Ret), President & CEO, National Defense Industrial Association  
- GEN Raymond A. Thomas, III, USA, Commander, USSOCOM  
- Mr. James H. Smith, Acquisition Executive, USSOCOM

*Advanced Registration Required*  

GEN Raymond A. Thomas, III, USA, USSOCOM Commander, Mr. James H. Smith, Acquisition Executive, and the USSOCOM Component Commanders and Sub-Unified Commander will discuss with industry leaders how USSOCOM and industry can collaborate more closely to provide Special Operations Forces around the world with the capabilities and support they need. Pre-approved industry CEOs, COOs, and Presidents are invited to participate in a Senior Industry Executive Forum.

9:45 – 11:15 AM  **PEO One–on–One Sessions**  

*Rooms 5–6:* Program Executive Office for Rotary Wing  
*Room 9:* Program Executive Office for Services  
*Rooms 14–16:* Program Executive Office for Special Reconnaissance, Surveillance, and Exploitation  
*Rooms 18–19:* Program Executive Office for Fixed Wing  
*Rooms 20–21:* Program Executive Office for SOF Warrior  
*Rooms 22–23:* Program Executive Office for Maritime  
*Room 17:* Program Executive Office for Command, Control, Communications, and Computers
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9:45 – 11:15 AM
Innovation Showcase
Ballroom D

9:45 – 11:15 AM
USSOCOM Marketplace
Ballroom D

10:15 – 11:15 AM
Tactical Assault Light Operator Suit (TALOS) Overview Brief
Rooms 11–13

This overview will allow attendees to interact with TALOS subject matter experts and learn more about this innovative SOF AT&L initiative. The overview will include a presentation, followed by Q&A with the Joint Acquisition Task Force (JATF) Director and functional leads.

11:15 – 11:30 AM
Networking Break
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11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Keynote Speaker
Ballrooms A–C

• Honorable Ellen Lord, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (A&S)

12:30 – 1:15 PM
Lunch on Own

1:15 – 1:30 PM
Transition outside to view ISOF Capabilities Demo

1:30 – 2:00 PM
ISOF Capabilities Demonstration
Outdoor Bay Area

U.S. SOF and International SOF will conduct a joint demonstration that will display partnership and interoperable tactical capabilities.

2:00 – 2:30 PM
Networking Break
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2:30 – 3:30 PM
TALOS Industry Breakout Sessions
Rooms 11–13

Advanced Registration Required

2:30 – 4:30 PM
Innovation Showcase
Ballroom D

2:30 – 4:30 PM
USSOCOM Marketplace
Ballroom D

3:30 – 4:30 PM
TALOS Overview Brief
Rooms 11–13

6:00 – 9:00 PM
Operation SOFtalk
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Event is sold out

NDIA will be hosting a networking reception Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 9:00 PM at the historic Ritz Ybor. This event is a great opportunity for attendees to engage with USSOCOM in an informal environment. This includes access to some of USSOCOM’s senior leaders and acquisition, technology, and logistics experts to further discussions outside the conference. The evening will also include a not to miss live performance from Highway to Hell to make for a one of a kind event. Hors d’oeuvres and a beer/wine bar with a signature drink will be included in the purchase of your ticket. Casual attire is encouraged!
THURSDAY, MAY 24

8:00 AM – 1:30 PM  Registration Open  SPONSORED BY  GENERAL DYNAMICS
Mezzanine

8:00 – 9:00 AM  Continental Breakfast
Ballroom Foyer

9:00 – 11:45 AM  USSOCOM Science & Technology Session: Roundtable Discussion
Ballrooms A–C

USSOCOM S&T leadership will hold four simultaneous roundtable discussions in 40 minute increments on the following discussion topics: 1) Futures Foundry/Non-traditional, 2) Strategic Engagement, 3) Program Management/Doing Business, and 4) Symposium Panel.

9:00 – 11:45 AM  USSOCOM PEO Overviews & Program-Focused Sessions
(Repeat of Wednesday Sessions) See page 30 for room locations

9:00 – 11:45 AM  TALOS Breakout Sessions – Industry Engagement
Rooms 11–13

Advanced Registration Required

9:00 AM – 1:30 PM  Exhibit Hall Open
Exhibit Hall

10:00 – 11:00 AM  Professional Development Speaker CW4 Michael J. Durant, USA (Ret)
Room 17

11:45 AM – 12:45 PM  Lunch on Own
Last Chance to View Exhibits

1:30 PM  Adjourn