



## May 19-20: AFCEA's SOLUTIONS Series 2009 Begins With Information-sharing Conference

### Media Advisory

FAIRFAX, Va./EWorldWire/May 1, 2009 --- AFCEA International is proud to continue its SOLUTIONS Series of events in 2009 at the National Conference Center in Lansdowne, Va. The first in the series will take place May 19-20 and is focused on Inter-Agency, Allied and Coalition Information Sharing. The conference is sponsored by AFCEA International in cooperation with U.S. Northern Command.

The AFCEA SOLUTIONS Series promotes a detailed dialogue between government and industry on issues of national importance. The 2009 series of events consists of:

- . Information Sharing May 19-20
- . C4I/IT Acquisition September 9-10
- . Cyberspace December 2-3

The Inter-Agency, Allied and Coalition Information Sharing conference contains three track sessions wherein government can share current thinking and direction, and industry can offer their perspective and input on current and projected capability. Track sessions will address inter-agency domestic information sharing; allied and coalition partner information sharing; and critical issues in C4I. New to the event, the Critical Issues in C4I academic track is sponsored by the George Mason University C4I Center of Excellence. This track will focus on the following selected set of issues:

- . Service Oriented Architectures for C2
- . Capabilities embedded in C2 Systems
- . Data Interoperability for C2 Systems

Track speakers for all sessions include government, military and industry information sharing experts.

In addition, the Conference includes the following featured speakers:

- . Gen Victor E. Renuart, Jr., USAF, Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command
- . Dr. David S. Alberts, Director of Research, OASD/NII
- . VADM Nancy Brown, USN, Director, Command, Control, Communications and Computer Systems (J-6), The Joint Staff
- . Mr. Chris Gunderson, Naval Postgraduate School
- . RADM Janice M. Hamby, USN, Director, Command Control Systems NORAD and U.S. Northern Command
- . Mr. Harry McDavid, CIO, Office of Operations, Coordination and Planning Department of Homeland Security
- . Lt Gen James N. Soligan, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Transformation, Allied Command Transformation

The conference will also feature tabletop exhibitors that will be showcasing their solutions to information sharing issues.

AFCEA is leveraging online tools to help facilitate communication and collaboration before, during and after the events. A Wiki is available as an information repository; a Google Group discussion site facilitates ongoing dialogue; and live streaming video and podcasts will allow those not able to attend in person to participate online.

There is a registration fee to attend the conference; for details on the event and the collaboration tools visit AFCEASolutions.org ('<http://www.afceasolutions.org>').

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