



AI Partnership for Defense #9 10 – 11 April, 0700-1000 EDT **DRAFT AGENDA | ACQUISITION AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Agenda

Times in Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) / Universal Coordinated Time – 4 (UTC-4)

Day One – Wednesday 10 April

0645 – 0700 *Participants joining (please plan to join ~15 mins early)*

0700 – 0705 **Kick-off**

Ms. Stephanie Culberson, CDAO Chief of International Affairs, U.S. DoD

0705 – 0715 **Opening remarks by CDAO**

Dr. Radha Plumb, Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, U.S. DoD

0715 – 0725 **Welcome by Sweden**

Dr. Pål Jonson, Swedish Minister for Defence

0725 – 0800 **Delegation introductions**

Introduction of delegations by national delegation leads (~2 mins. each)

Ice-breaker question: “What talent and/or cutting-edge technology is your organization pursuing through partnerships and acquisition?”

0800 – 0820 **Fire-side chat: AI adoption at speed and scale in the U.S. DoD**

Speaker: Ms. Bonnie Evangelista, Acting DCDAO for Acquisition Executive and Deputy CDAO for Acquisition, CDAO, U.S. DoD

Moderator: Ms. Stephanie Culberson, CDAO Chief of International Affairs, U.S. DoD

Break

0830 – 0905 **Roundtable: Acquiring technology with agility and speed: lessons learned from dual-use research and development**

Speaker: Dr. Rickard Stridh, Chief Scientist, Swedish Armed Forces

Speaker: Mr. Golan Malca, Head of Dual -Use Division DDR&D, Israel

Moderator: Dr. Merel Ekelhof, Foreign Exchange Officer, CDAO, U.S. DoD

0905 – 0920 **Ted Talk: Growing tech skills and capacity of our Digital Product Delivery Center to achieve Canadian Army Digital ambitions**

Speaker: Colonel Aaron Luhning, Director, Directorate of Digital and Army Combat Systems Integration, Canadian Army Headquarters

0920 – 0955 **Panel: Adopting AI whilst conforming with imposed law, ethics, and policy**

Speaker: Colonel (GS) Jörg Rauber, Deputy Chief of Division I, Strategic Management of Planning, Federal Ministry of Defence, Germany

Speaker: Mr. Stuart Allen, Senior Leadership Team within Commercial X, United Kingdom

Moderator: Mr. Martin Hagström, Deputy Research Director, Swedish Defence Research Agency

0955 – 1000 **Day 1 wrap-up / Day 2 preview**

Ms. Stephanie Culberson, CDAO Chief of International Affairs, U.S. DoD

Day Two – Thursday 11 April

0645 – 0700 *Participants joining (please plan to join ~15 mins early)*

0700 – 0705 **Kick-off**

Ms. Stephanie Culberson, CDAO Chief of International Affairs

0705 – 0720 **Opening keynote**

Speaker: Major General Mikael Frisell, Chief of Staff at the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration, FMV, and Deputy National Armaments Director

0720 – 0820 **Case study: Lessons learned from CDAO's hackathons and Tradewind**

Speaker: Ms. Bonnie Evangelista, Acting DCDAO for Acquisition Executive and Deputy CDAO for Acquisition, CDAO, U.S. DoD

Speaker: Dr. James (Nick) Ashworth, Senior Engineer, Defense Digital Service, CDAO, U.S. DoD

Moderator: Ms. Alka Patel, Director, Technology & Security Policy, Office of Information and Communications Policy, Bureau of Cyberspace and Digital Policy (CDP), U.S. Department of State

Break

0830 – 0845 **Ted Talk: Challenge on procurement of AI capability knowhow in the Finnish Defence Forces**

Speaker: LtCol Tero Solante, Chief Digital Officer (CDO), Finnish Defence Forces

0845 – 0935 **Roundtable: Acquiring talent through partnerships**

Speaker: Mr. Jaco Koster, Architect Datalab, Netherlands Ministry of Defence

Speaker: Mr. David Olgart, Director Cyber Campus Sweden (Cybercampus Sverige), Royal Institute of Technology

Speaker: Ms. Angela Richardson, Deputy for Functional Community Management, Data & AI Workforce, CDAO, U.S. DoD

Moderator: Dr. Merel Ekelhof, Foreign Exchange Officer, CDAO, U.S. DoD

0935 – 0950 **Ted Talk: Korean Defense Industry Cloud System**

Speaker: Dr. Yeonseung Ryu, professor at Myongji University in Korea and head of Department of Security Management Engineering and Department of Defense Industrial Security, Republic of Korea

0950 – 0955 **Announcements and next steps**

Ms. Stephanie Culberson, CDAO Chief of International Affairs, U.S. DoD

0955 – 1000 **Closing remarks**

Ms. Margie Palmieri, Deputy Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, U.S. DoD
