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KEYNOTE ARENA



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- 10.20-10.30** **Welcome from the Chair**
Natalie Desty, Founder, STEM Returners, Women in Defence
- 10.30-10.45** **Ministerial Opening Address**
Maria Eagle MP, Minister for Defence Procurement and Industry
- 10.45-11.05** **Strengthening Defence and Security Through Industrial Partnerships**
Avril Jolliffe, Director General Industry, Trade and Economic Security, Ministry of Defence
- 11.05-11.25** **Mission Success for UK Defence and Security through Science & Technology Exploitation**
Tim Sheldon, Chief Delivery Officer, Dstl
- 11.25-11.45** **Submarine Delivery Agency Commercial Strategy**
Jim Carter, Commercial Director, Submarine Delivery Agency
- 12.15-12.35** **The Impact and Future of Digital Procurement**
Victoria Cope, Commercial Director, Defence Digital, Ministry of Defence
- 12.35-12.55** **Supply Chain Resilience Though Digitalisation**
Ewan Sime, Global Director of Procurement & Supply Chain, Babcock International Group
- 12.55-13.15** **Modernising the Delivery of Defence Support**
Vice Admiral Andy Kyte, Chief of Defence Logistics and Support (CDLS) Ministry of Defence



SUPPLY CHAIN & PARTNERING ZONE



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- 11.00-11.20** **Partnering with Purpose**
Neil Jackson, Group Senior Sustainability Manager, BAE Systems
- 11.25-11.45** **Sustainability at Thales UK**
Karolina Anderson, Social Value and Sustainability Procurement Manager, Thales
- 11.50-12.10** **DSCCP – A Programme Introduction and Successes So Far**
Adam Meadus, MoD Commercial Delivery Partner, Commission Director, Ministry of Defence
- 12.15-12.35** **SC21 Programme, GHG Emissions Reporting, Social value 101**
Steve Collins, SCS Programme Manager, ADS
- 12.40-13.00** **Airbus Defence and Space – Focus on Space**
Martin Lee, Space Program Procurement Manager, Airbus
- 14.15-14.35** **Navigating Geopolitical Shifts and Building Supply Chain Resilience**
Dominik Kampmann, Head for Defence, Intelligence & Law Enforcement in Europe & Africa, Moody's Analytics UK Ltd
- 14.40-15.00** **Sustainable Procurement Capability & Skills**
Nicky Gardiner, UK Sustainable Procurement Capability Lead, MBDA
- 15.05-15.25** **Unlocking Financial Support for Suppliers**
Joshua Edwards, Deputy Head, Defence Shipping and Space, ADS



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- 10.40-11.00** **Supplier Relationship Management Strategy**
Lee Taylor, Supplier Relationship Management Team Lead, DIO
- 11.10-11.30** **AWE's Infrastructure Investments to Support UK's Nuclear Defence Programme**
Mark Dearden, Infrastructure Portfolio Director, AWE
- 11.40-12.00** **Defence Partnerships – The Added Value of Working with an SME**
James Skinner, Environmental Director, REDS Group & Mark Griffiths, Sales Director, REDS Group
- 12.10-12.30** **Contextualising the Role of the Defence Estate in Today's Threat Landscape**
Sherin Aminossehe, Director Infrastructure, FMC, MOD; Keith Yarham, Director for Defence & Aviation, Galliford Try; DIO representative
- 12.40-13.00** **PFI Replacement**
Jon Hewlett, Interim Programme Director (UK), DIO & Natalie Holyoake, Facilities Management Project Delivery Project Manager, DIO
- 13.20-13.40** **Championing Soil Health and Circularity in the Anthropocene – A Resilient Approach to Defence Site Development / Redevelopment**
Bruce Lascelles, Director for Climate Smart and Sustainable Land Management; Aydin Zorlutuna, Senior Technical Director; Ian Evans, Solution Lead, Arcadis
- 13.50-14.10** **The Defence Estate Optimisation Portfolio – Strategic Alliance**
Chris Ward, Deputy Commercial Head, DIO
- 14.20-14.40** **Decarbonising the Defence Estate**
Matthew Osmond, Director of Marketing & Business Development (Industrial Water & Energy), Veolia



DIGITAL DATA & TECHNOLOGY ZONE

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- 10.50-11.10** **DE&S Future Capability Acceleration – Adapting and Iterating Delivery**
Dave Pheasant, Future Capability Innovation/Capability Acceleration Team Leader, DE&S
- 11.20-12.00** **Redesigning Procurement for a Digital World**
Dina Kakaras, Head of Commercial X, Ministry of Defence, Commander Jamie Royston, Royal Navy, Dean Cordwell, Business Partner, Commercial X & Dan Jeffery, Managing Director, DAINTA
- 12.10-12.30** **DefTech: Technology Transforming Defence**
Jeremy Wimple, Programme Manager, Defence techUK; James Gavin, Head of Future Capability Innovation, DE&S and Graham Booth, CEO, 2iC
- 12.40-13.00** **AI in Defence Space: Leveraging Dell AI Factory for Enhanced Military Capabilities**
Tim Hall, Chief Technology Officer, Boxxe & Johann Strauss, Field CTO, AI Pursuit Team, Dell Technologies
- 13.40-14.00** **Don't Risk your ITAR Projects: The Solution for Securely Managing Export-Controlled Information**
Dr Stephen Casey FIMA, Procurement Evaluation Design Principal Consultant and Samantha Bevan-Talbot, MOD Client Liaison, Commerce Decisions
- 14.10-14.30** **The Next Generation of Tactical Military Communications in the Land Environment**
Thomas Lightfoot, Commercial Head Hardware and Services, Defence Digital
- 14.40-15.00** **DIPS: Transforming How we Engage with Industry to Accelerate and Improve Defence Outcomes**
Nick Barras, Head of Professional Service and Contract Management, Defence Digital



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10.35- **Astraea as a National Endeavour**
 10.55 AWE Astraea team representative

The Next Steps in Natural Security Engagement
 11.00- Paul Larcey, Security and Defence,
 11.20 Innovate UK Business Connect

From Concept to Capability: Boosting Businesses to Achieve Real-World Impact
 11.25- Tracey North, Business Growth
 11.45 & Finance Lead, DASA

Project to Programme: Rapidly Deploying Kits of Parts
 11.50- Dale Sinclair, Head of Digital Innovation,
 12.10 WSP UK

Category Management in Action – Contracting for the Future via R-Cloud
 12.15- Clare McGinn, Principal Commercial
 12.35 Manager, Dstl

The Future of Counter-Drone Technologies in Defence
 13.05- Chris Daniels, Chief Commercial Officer of
 13.45 Flare Bright Ltd, ADS

Social Value in Defence – What Now?
 13.50- Dr Elizabeth Newman-Earl, Partner/Founder,
 14.10 e50K Strategic Advisory and Quincey Ankrett,
 Executive Director, e50K Strategic Advisory

Partners in Innovation: Future-Proofing UK Defence
 14.15- Sam Zwolinski, Partnerships & Impact Partner,
 14.35 DASA; Nicola Barnett, Senior Relationship
 Manager, AWE; David Richardson, Head of
 Marketing Engagement, AWE

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The Single Source Regulatory Framework: A Short Masterclass and How the SSRO Can Help You
 10.25- John Russell, Chief Executive, Single Source
 10.45 Regulations Office (SSRO)

Emerging International Defence Opportunities
 10.50- Elliott Murphy, International Business
 11.10 Development Advisor, ADS Group

Accessing Defence Sector Opportunities with DCI
 11.15- John Rodigan, Business Development
 11.35 Manager, Defence Contracts International (DCI)

How UKDSE Can Help SMEs Export
 11.40- Jacob Cooney, SME Engagement Project
 12.00 Manager and Maj Harriet Chapman RA,
 Officer Commanding, Export Support Team,
 UKDSE

Doing Business with Defence
 12.05- Catherine Proudlove, SME Lead,
 12.25 Defence Commercial, Ministry of Defence

Working with Japan
 12.30- Guy Hale, Senior Desk Officer for Japan,
 12.50 UKDSE

Working with Australia
 13.35- Edward Carden, Senior Desk Officer for
 13.55 Australia & New Zealand, UKDSE

Defence Procurement Best Practice
 14.00- Ben Farrell, CEO, CIPS
 14.20

Creating Effective Solutions for All our Customers
 14.25- Tilly Harvey, Deputy Director, Professional
 14.45 Services, Crown Commercial Service

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Addressing the Risk in Multi-Tier Defence Supply Chains through Digital Innovation and Supplier Collaboration
 10.50- Steven Wood, Head of Industry Practice
 11.10 (Aerospace, Defence & Security),
 Digital Catapult

Supply Chain Opportunities with DE&S
 11.15- James Gavin, Head of Future Capability
 11.35 Innovation, DE&S

Secure Infrastructure For Defence
 11.40- Dan Barker, Global Head of Secure
 12.00 Infrastructure, Beaverfit Limited; Dr. Luke
 Matthews MSci, Head of Research and
 Development, Global EMC;
 Patrick Goudkuil, Director, D J Goode

Advancing Defence People & Skills Through MOD-Industry Partnerships
 12.50- Neil Young, Global Engineering Capability
 13.10 Director, Babcock

Land Enterprise Working Group: Shaping the Future of Land Capabilities Through Industry Collaboration
 13.15- Representative of ADS
 13.35

DFMA in HVAC Systems
 13.40- James Bevis, Managing Director,
 14.00 Exyte Hargreaves

Opportunities for SMEs in Defence Medical Supply Contracts
 14.05- Colonel Harvey Pynn, Head, jHub Med,
 14.25 Defence Medical Services (DMS)

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Building Supply Chains to Support Economic Growth and our Warfighting Edge

10.10-10.30 Julie Brettell, Supply Chain Director, Ministry of Defence



Supporting and Harnessing SMEs for National Security and Growth

10.30-10.50 Harrison Talbot-Brown, Deputy Director for Industry Collaboration and Strategic Supplier Management, Ministry of Defence



Connecting Industry and Infrastructure: Insights into the DIO Commercial Strategy

10.50-11.10 Claire Benham, Commercial Director, DIO



Make UK Defence Panel: The Rise of the Mid-Tiers

11.10-12.00 Hosted by Andrew Kinniburgh, Director General, Make UK Richard Flitton, Managing Director, SEA Ltd; Tony Golland, Market Head for Defence and Aerospace, Ricardo; Nicolas Clark-Majerus, Vice President, Director of UK Corporate Affairs, SAAB and Dr Llyr Jones, Group Strategy and Corporate Development Director, Chemring Group



AUKUS – Defence Procurement Collaboration

12.30-12.50 Samira Braund, Defence Director, ADS



Supplier Co-Design: The Challenges and Opportunities

12.50-13.20 Dharvinder Johal, Market Partner, Capita Procurement Solutions; Nick Barras, Head of Professional Service and Contract Management, Defence Digital & Hannah Boreham, Associate Commercial Head – Artificial Intelligence, Defence Digital Commercial



UK Defence Supply Chain's Support for Ukraine

13.20-13.40 Tom McDonald, Director, Defence Value for Money Audit



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Partnering in Complex Operational Environments

10.30-10.50 Stewart Morris, Director Bids & Proposals, Supply Chain, KBR & Ian Vaculik, Central and Eastern Europe Director, KBR

The Role of Supplier Diversity in the New Procurement Landscape

10.55-11.15 Matt Dabrowski, Founder & CEO, OutBritain & OutScotland

Supplier Relationship Management

11.20-11.40 Stuart Busfield, Procurement Major Nuclear, Capital Programmes, Babcock International Group and Daniel Abbott, Procurement & Supply Chain Nuclear Sector Director, Babcock International Group

Working Capital Management and Growth Finance

11.45-12.05 Aimie Stone, Chief Economist, ADS and Matt Croker, Director, Heligan Corporate Finance

DSCCP – An Introduction to Supply Chain Architecture

12.55-13.15 Scott Allen, Managing Consultant, PA Consulting and DSCCP Lead for Supply Chain Architecture

Cyber Security – Secure by Design

13.20-13.40 Stewart Woods, Cybersecurity CTO, Thales

Fixing the Vocational Skills Crisis in Defence

13.45-14.05 Andrew Kinniburgh, Director General, Make UK Defence

The Strategic Value of Early Engagement for Defence Suppliers

14.10-14.50 John Kite, Deputy Head of Industry Collaboration, Ministry of Defence and Samira Braund, Defence Director, ADS

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Delivering Defence Infrastructure at Pace: Enabling Military Capability Through Multidisciplinary Engineering

11.40-12.00 Christian Knutson, Director, Europe Defence and Security, Jacobs UK Limited

Reacting to Changes in the Strategic Landscape: An Infrastructure Perspective

12.10-12.30 Representative of ADS and Industry Representative

Defending Nature: Using Biodiversity Net Gain – A Tool for Resilience and Sustainability

12.30-12.50 Ellen Harpham, Associate Director in Ecology and Thomas Green, Principal Environmental Engineer, Atkinsrealis

Build to Adapt – Achieving Longevity through Flexibility

13.20-13.40 Rory O'Hagan, Living Team Leader, Arcadis

DEO Portfolio – Partnership in Progress

13.50-14.10 Chris Ward, Deputy Commercial Head, DIO

Optimising Performance through Wellbeing: Human-Centred Design for Resilient Defence Environments

14.20-14.40 Caroline Paradise, Head of Design Research, Atkinsrealis & James Harrison, Regional Design Director, Atkinsrealis

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Accelerating Impact: Leveraging the Power of Partnerships

10.50-11.10 Stacey Crump, Impact Lead, DASA

Panel: How Artificial Intelligence can Enhance your Processes

11.15-11.55 Alistair Leuchars, Deputy Director – Cyber & Digital, ADS and Marc Brooker, Customer Success Director & UK Government Relations Lead, Adarga

Redesigning Procurement for a Digital World

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Teaching Troops to Hack!

12.35-12.55 Marc Del-Valle, Chief Executive Officer, SudoCyber

Quantum Science for UK Defence

13.15-13.35 Gareth Brown, Dstl Fellow Quantum Technologies, Dstl

Future of the MOD Core Network

13.40-14.00 Christopher Hamley, Commercial Head Networks, Defence Digital

Building New Capabilities: Rethinking Skills for the Future

14.05-14.25 Michael Noone, Head of Experis Academy UK, Experis and Nicola Cox, Engineering Group Leader, AWE

Digital Twins: Transforming the Prototyping Process

14.30-14.50 Representative of ADS

Securing your Digital Identity End-to-End with Microsoft Surface and YubiKeys

14.55-15.15 Teddy Loveridge, Defence Client Director, XMA; Nic Sarginson, Product Manager, Yubico; Tom Cripps, Partner Development Manager, Microsoft Surface

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 James Gavin, Head of Future Capability Innovation, DE&S
- 11.25-11.45 Approaches to Apply Quantum Computing to Address Real End User Problems**
 Paul Ceely, Director of Technology Strategy, Digital Catapult
- 11.50-12.10 Agentic AI: Warfare and Workflows**
 Andrew Otterbacher, Director National Security, Scale
- 12.15-12.35 Autonomous Sensor Management; Using Open Tools and Standards to Ease Operator Burden**
 Russell McKinlay, Principal Data Scientist, Dstl
- 13.05-13.25 From Concept to Capability: Boosting Businesses to Achieve Real-World Impact**
 Tracey North, Business Growth & Finance Lead, DASA
- 13.30-13.50 Should a Post-Quantum World Be Keeping You Awake Now?**
 Alistair Leuchars, Deputy Director, Cyber & Digital, ADS Group and Trevor Graham, Co-Founder and CEO, Ampliphæe
- 13.55-14.15 Technology, Resilience and National Security**
 Elizabeth Vallance Bull, AI and Technical Strategy Advisor, Women Empowering Defence
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 Steve Hill, Strategic Advisor, Make UK Defence
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 Edward Carden, Senior Desk Officer for Australia & New Zealand, UKDSE
- 12.30-12.50 How might the SDR and DIS Impact your Business?**
 Andrew Kinniburgh, Director General, Make UK Defence
- 13.10-13.30 Doing Business with Defence**
 Catherine Proudlove, SME Lead, Defence Commercial, Ministry of Defence
- 13.35-13.55 How CCS Engages with the Defence Marketplace**
 Patrick Cahill, Deputy Director and Space Sector Lead, Crown Commercial Service
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 John Rodigan, Business Development Manager, Defence Contracts International (DCI)
- 14.25-14.45 Delivering Government to Government Exports and Sales for the UK's Defence Equipment and Support**
 Richard Whalley, Head of Exports and Sales, DE&S
- 14.50-15.10 Mitigating Cartel Risk in Procurement**
 Rob Saunders, Principal Intelligence Officer, Competition and Market Authority

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- 11.15-11.35 Improving AWE's Resilience, Capacity & Capability Through Enhanced Collaboration with UK Industry**
 Mandy Savage, Executive Director Engineering and Project, Programme and Portfolio Management (P3M), AWE
- 11.40-12.00 Building Resilient Defence Supply Chains: Automated Solutions for Sub-tier Supplier Mapping and Risk Analysis**
 Niall McManus, Senior Solutions Analyst, Sayari Analytics
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 James Gavin, Head of Future Capability Innovation, DE&S
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 Representative of ADS
- 13.25-13.45 Hitting the Triple Target: Using Additive Manufacturing to Overcome Defence Supply Chain Challenges**
 Len Pannett, CEO, Supercharg3d Management Services Ltd
- 13.50-14.10 Tornado to Tempest**
 CDLS Commendation Award Winners 2024

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