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# Strategic Insights, Tactical Solutions: Exchange Ideas and Expertise at the Forefront of Counter-UAS Efforts

## Meet the 2024 Senior Speaker Faculty:



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**Department of Defense**



**G.B. Jones,**  
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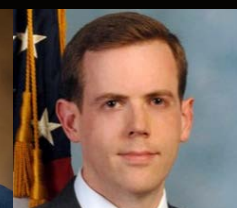
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## At IDGA's sixth annual Counter-UAS Summit you can...

- Hear from the decision makers in the government, on a federal and state level, on how to counter UAS threats, allowing you to stay ahead and aware of US leadership's strategic thinking strategies.
- Collaborate and build important relationships with key decision military makers, senior government leaders, and industry solution providers.
- Gain an in-depth and advanced understanding of the current threat that UAS poses, current capabilities for threat prevention and response, and application across various domains.
- Learn what key vendors are developing to counter the threat of UAS. See how you are able to apply their solutions to your current requirement.
- Understand the implications of future authorities for non-kinetic CUAS tactics by law enforcement agencies.

*"The event was highly valuable as it exposed me to the breadth of the C-UAS mission, as well as the challenges, gaps and opportunities associated with this mission. I also enjoyed the fact that the presenters are highly dedicated professionals, who care deeply and want to make a positive difference in protecting the homeland."*

Sr. Principal Systems Engineer, Raytheon



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# Welcome

To our distinguished speakers, partners and attendees, welcome to the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement's 6th Annual Counter-UAS Summit.

After a successful C-UAS Summit in 2023, we at IDGA are pleased to bring back our C-UAS Summit again in 2024. We look forward to providing an opportunity to connect, learn, and share for the benefit of our C-UAS community.

Our conference will bring together the top experts in C-UAS defense and will focus on diverse and relevant topics from across the C-UAS industry. Join us for engaging discussion on areas ranging from the expansion of authorities, acquisition and procurement, emerging technologies, kinetic and non-kinetic capabilities, protecting critical infrastructure, to much more.

Driven by emerging challenges and evolving technologies, our Counter-UAS Summit addresses the pressing needs and advancements in countering unmanned aerial systems. With the proliferation of drone technology, the security landscape continues to evolve, necessitating innovative solutions and strategic partnerships.

From advancements in detection and mitigation technologies to the integration of C-UAS systems into broader defense frameworks, our summit will explore the latest developments and best practices in safeguarding critical assets and infrastructure against UAS threats.

With extensive networking opportunities, this is a place for the military, federal agency representatives, state and local law enforcement representatives, and industry leaders to come together and engage. Join us at IDGA's Counter-UAS Summit for the unique chance to not only learn from those leading the latest innovations in C-UAS defense, but also to stake your own place in this rapidly evolving community.



Sincerely,

**Luke Spitaletta,**  
Conference Producer

## Conference Chairman



**David Shank**

**Former Commandant, U.S. Army Air Defense Artillery School  
US Army**

David E. Shank is a U.S. Army veteran with over 30-years of leadership experience, having commanded at the executive level. He led Soldiers as the Chief Executive Officer in multiple capacities during garrison and combat operations. As his final assignment, David served as the Chief Executive Officer to the U.S. Army Air Defense Artillery, responsible for publishing doctrine, organizational structure, training, materiel decision making, and leader development. He possesses extensive global operations experience with over 35 nations in complex and dynamic environments. David is recognized in the U.S., European, and Middle Eastern Air and Missile Defense communities for his expertise and contributions. He is an expert in strategic level planning, leader development, team building, program and supply chain management. David graduated from the University of North Florida with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, earned a Master of Science Degree in Military Studies from the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and a Master of Science Degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army Senior Service College. He has served as a guest speaker and panel member at numerous missile defense conferences and symposiums worldwide. David currently serves as an Independent Consultant supporting a variety of integrated air and missile defense programs and initiatives. He is an advisory board member to Citadel Analytics (UK) Ltd., and the Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance, and resides in Florida, USA.







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Counter UAS Branch Chief, 9th Air Force,  
**Air Forces Central (AFCENT)**



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C-UAS Program Manager, Program Management Office Directorate, US Border Patrol, US Customs and Border Protection,  
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C-UAS Engineer, Support  
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**Sargeant Adam Wright,**  
Emergency Operations,  
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**Chappell Ray,**  
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**James Peaco,**  
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**DJ Smith,**  
CUAS Systems Program  
Coordinator,  
**Virginia State Police**



**Amir Edwards,**  
Special Operations Division  
Commander,  
**Metropolitan Washington  
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**Theodore Reddinger,**  
C-UAS Program, System  
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**Jarred Pennington,**  
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**Glenn McArthur,**  
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# Conference Day One: August 27

## 0800 REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING

### 0855 CHAIR'S WELCOME REMARKS

**David Shank**, Former Commandant, US Army Air Defense Artillery School, **US Army (Ret.)**

### 0900 KICKOFF PANEL DISCUSSION: THE WAY FORWARD ON CUAS AUTHORITIES

PANEL  
DISCUSSION

- ➔ Legal Frameworks: Insights into the diverse legal frameworks governing CUAS operations.
- ➔ Policy Challenges: Discuss the complex policy challenges around CUAS Authorities
- ➔ Operational Realities: Discuss the complexities of integrating CUAS capabilities into existing defense and security frameworks.

Moderator: **David Shank**, Former Commandant, US Army Air and Artillery School, **US Army**  
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**Department of Homeland Security**

### 0930 THE ENGAGEMENT ECONOMICS OF CUAS

- ➔ Autonomy is becoming more and more real
- ➔ How the engagement economics has become a fundamental consideration of CUAS
- ➔ A look at layered systems, sensors, & effectors; both defensive & offensive, relative to cost
- ➔ What CUAS systems are likely to be fielded first in volume

**Leo McCloskey**, VP Marketing, **Echodyne**

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### 1000 PANEL DISCUSSION; DOJ CUAS AUTHORITIES AND ACQUISITION / PROCUREMENT

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DISCUSSION

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- ➔ Policy Challenges: Discuss the complex policy challenges around CUAS Authorities
- ➔ Acquisition and Procurement: Discuss the acquisition and procurement processes of each speaker's office and what you are looking for in the near future.

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## 1100 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

### 1130 FUTURE TRENDS IN KINETIC C-UAS: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES & TACTICS

- ➔ Emerging Technologies: Discuss emerging tech such as electric weapons, autonomous systems, and advanced munitions, highlighting their capabilities and applications in CUAS.
- ➔ Tactical Adaptations and Operational Tactics: Discuss how advancements in tech are driving changes in operational kinetic tactics against UAS.
- ➔ Integration and Interoperability Challenges: Discuss the importance of interoperability standards, data sharing protocols, and collaborative planning processes in maximizing CUAS ops.

**David Letters**, Air Domain Policy Advisor, **Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD)**

### 1200 FROM BIRDS TO BATTLEFIELD: EVOLUTION OF CUAS TECHNOLOGY

- ➔ Historical background and expertise in bird detection radars/small object detection
- ➔ Transition to CUAS radar development
- ➔ Technological advancements and integration of Deep Neural Networks (DNN) and machine learning (ML) for enhanced UAS tracking and classification
- ➔ Improvements are driven by customers feedback
- ➔ Lessons learned from rigorous testing by the UK National Technical Authority for Physical and Personnel Protective Security (NPSA), Department of Homeland Security Science and Technology (S&T), NATO TIE, and combat operations in Ukraine

**Bob Moll**, Business Development Manager, **Robin Radar Systems**  
**Kristian Brost**, General Manager, North Americans, **Robin Radar Systems**

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- 1230 EXPLORING THE ROLE OF DEVCOM AVIATION AND MISSILE CENTER IN ADVANCING CUAS**
- ➔ Highlight DEVCOM's expertise in research, development, testing, and evaluation (RDT&E) of cutting-edge solutions for defense applications.
  - ➔ Highlight the command's role in providing technical expertise, test and evaluation support, and validation services to solution providers, ensuring the efficacy and interoperability of CUAS solutions.
  - ➔ Explore how the DEVCOM IPT contributes to integration efforts, enabling seamless communication, data sharing, and decision-making across the CUAS ecosystem.
  - ➔ Address the challenges posed by the convergence of unmanned systems (UxS) with traditional defense platforms.
- Chappell Ray**, Deputy Capability Area Lead, Air & Missile Defense (A), DEVCOM Aviation and Missile Center, **US Army**

## 1300 LUNCH AND NETWORKING

- 1400 PANEL DISCUSSION: US CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION FUTURE ACQUISITIONS AND PROCUREMENT CHALLENGES**
- PANEL DISCUSSION**
- ➔ Discuss navigating complex regulatory frameworks governing federal acquisitions, including compliance with FAR and other procurement rules.
  - ➔ Examine strategies for optimizing resource allocation, prioritizing acquisition projects, and securing funding in a competitive budgetary environment.
  - ➔ Explore strategies for streamlining acquisition processes while ensuring adherence to legal and regulatory requirements, minimizing delays, and optimizing resource allocation.
  - ➔ Analyze the challenges associated with vendor selection, including assessing vendor capabilities, managing supplier relationships, and ensuring supply chain security.
- Moderator: **Nelson Balido**, Chair, **Border Commerce and Security Council**
- Craig Doheny**, C-UAS Program Manager, Program Management Office Directorate, US Border Patrol, US Customs and Border Protection, **Department of Homeland Security**

- 1430 GENERATING ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS FROM DRONE DETECTION DATA**
- Grant Jordan**, CEO, **Skysafe Solutions**



- 1500 NAVIGATING KINETIC CAPABILITIES AND PROCUREMENT TRENDS IN CUAS DEFENSE**
- ➔ Explore current landscape of kinetic solutions for CUAS, including trends in technology development, development strategies, and effectiveness in mitigating UAS risks.
  - ➔ Analyze the prevailing trends and challenges in CUAS procurement, acquisition strategies, vendor selection criteria, and budgetary considerations.
  - ➔ Anticipate what we need to be prepared for in the realm of CUAS. Considering advancements in UAS technology, regulatory developments, and the evolving threat landscape. Strategies for enhancing readiness and agility to be prepared for future CUAS defense needs effectively.
- Maj. Forrest Craven**, Counter UAS Branch Chief, 9th Air Force, **Air Forces Central (AFCENT)**

## 1530 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

- 1630 PANEL DISCUSSION: COUNTER-DRONE OPERATIONS IN URBAN ENVIRONMENTS - CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS**
- PANEL DISCUSSION**
- ➔ Detection and Identification Challenges: Examine the limitations of existing technologies in urban settings, such as buildings, electromagnetic interference, noise, etc. Explore innovative solutions for improving detection and identification capabilities in such environments.
  - ➔ Mitigation Strategies and Regulatory Considerations: Discuss the legal and ethical implications of deploying kinetic and non-kinetic countermeasures in populated areas and importance of coordinating with local authorities.
  - ➔ Urban Environment Dynamics: Explore issues such as limited air space, high population density, complex terrain, which can affect detection, tracking, and interception.
- Moderator: **David Shank**, Former Commandment, US Army Air and Artillery School, **US Army**
- Mitchell Roberts**, C-UAS Engineer, Support Contractor, National Urban Security Technology Laboratory, **Department of Homeland Security, Science and Technology Directorate**
- Sargeant Adam Wright**, Emergency Operations, **LA County Sheriff's Office**
- James Peaco**, Special Agent, **Federal Bureau of Investigation**
- DJ Smith**, CUAS Systems Program Coordinator, **Virginia State Police**

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## 1615 FIRESIDE CHAT: EXPANDING INTEGRATED AIR DEFENSE TO THE TACTICAL EDGE

- ➔ Small unit formation role and how to empower small unit defense.
- ➔ Role of kinetic options in tactical Counter-UAS
- ➔ Enhanced capabilities stemming from real-time digital collaboration and integration.

Moderator: **David Shank**, Former Commandant, US Army Air Defense Artillery School, **US Army (Ret.)**

**Dane Pigott**, Chief Executive Officer, **Kinard Technologies**

## 1645 COUNTERING UAS THREATS AT LARGE PUBLIC GATHERINGS: CASE STUDIES AND LESSONS LEARNED

- ➔ Strategy & Planning: Discuss the strategy when combating the threat that is UAS. What different planning measures are implemented for large gatherings.
- ➔ Case Studies: Discuss case studies experienced in the realm of CUAS. Past instances where UAS was a threat to a large public gathering.
- ➔ Lessons Learned: What are the key takeaways from past UAS threats? Discuss lessons learned from these instances and how you plan on preventing them in the future.

**GB Jones**, Chief Safety & Security Officer, **FIFA World Cup 2026**

## 1715 CHAIRS CLOSING REMARKS END OF CONFERENCE DAY ONE



*“This event allowed for understanding current UAS activities and how each entity is responding to these incidents. A better understanding on where UAS and CUAS could go in the future. Interacting with other agencies and business allows for more all-inclusive approach, open discussions and lessons learned to help improve the US efforts to protect against these incidents.”*

Physical Security Specialist, Department of Energy



# Conference Day Two: August 27

## 0800 REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING

### 0855 CHAIR'S WELCOME REMARKS

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### 0900 DOT&E'S CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF CUAS TECHNOLOGY AND STRATEGY

- ➔ Evaluation Criteria: Define the key metrics and methodologies employed by DOT&E to assess the effectiveness and reliability of CUAS technologies in diverse operational environments.
- ➔ Emerging Threats: Analyze the evolving landscape of UAS and identify emerging threats, including swarm tactics, stealth capabilities, and advanced payloads, to inform CUAS development and testing priorities.
- ➔ Inter-agency Collaboration: Explore avenues for enhanced collaboration between DOT&E, defense agencies, industry partners, and international allies to foster innovation, share best practices, and accelerate the deployment of effective CUAS solutions.

**The Honorable Dr. Douglas Schmidt**, Director, Operational Test & Evaluation, The Office of the Director, Operational Test and Evaluation (DOT&E), **Department of Defense**

### 0930 RADIO FREQUENCY- CYBER C-UAS: CONSIDERATIONS AND ADVANCED TOPICS- BY D-FEND SOLUTIONS

- ➔ Next Generation C-UAS Approaches and Capabilities across Sectors for the Most Challenging and Sensitive Environments
- ➔ Mission Critical Requirements for Evaluation
- ➔ Evolving drone threats as reflected in the most recent incidents across sectors, including urban and border environments, critical infrastructure sites and multiple homeland security scenarios.
- ➔ Traditional Legacy C-UAV technology challenges and technological innovations to overcome the constraints and protect personnel, assets, and sites
- ➔ Optimized operational deployments and configurations for varied use cases, scenarios, and sectors, including the need for extreme on the go mobility and flexibility
- ➔ Openness, integration, and the emerging optimal layered and escalating defense concept
- ➔ Control, Safety, and the Quest for Continuity

**Glenn McArthur**, Business Development Manager, **D-Fend Solutions**



### 1000 HARNESSING THE POWER OF DIRECTED ENERGY: ADVANCEMENTS IN CUAS TECHNOLOGIES

- ➔ Highlights DEPO's role within RCCTO in driving research, development, and prototyping efforts to push the boundaries of DE-CUAS capabilities.
- ➔ Discuss best practices and strategies for the deployment and integration of DE-CUAS solutions into existing defense architectures.
- ➔ Address challenges related to interoperability, logistics, training, and sustainment. Provide insights into overcoming these obstacles to maximize the operational effectiveness of DE-CUAS systems.

**Kirklin Williams**, Test and Evaluation Lead, Directed Energy Prototype Office, Rapid Capabilities and Critical Technology Office, **U.S. Army**

## 1030 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

### 1100 SAFEGUARDING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE ERA OF UNMANNED THREATS

- ➔ Insights into emerging threats: Explore case studies and recent interactions to assess the diverse of risks posed to critical infrastructure, enabling proactive threat mitigation strategies.
- ➔ Strategic risk assessment and mitigation: Discuss risk assessment methodologies to identify vulnerabilities and prioritize mitigation efforts.
- ➔ Risk management: Discuss implementation of risk assessment frameworks to mitigate legal, financial, and reputational risks associated with UAS threats to critical infrastructure.
- ➔ Regulatory compliance: Navigate the complex regulatory landscape governing UAS operations and ensure compliance with relevant laws and regulations.

**Corey Hinderstein**, Principal Deputy Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, **Department of Energy**

### 1130 MITIGATING CYBER SECURITY RISKS PRESENTED BY UAS: CASE STUDY AND LESSONS LEARNED

- ➔ Insight of the evolving cyber threat landscape posed by UAS, including emerging tactics and vulnerabilities targeted by bad actors.
- ➔ Overview of CISA's role in addressing UAS-related cyber threats and safeguarding critical infrastructure.
- ➔ Sharing case studies and lessons learned from CISA's experience in mitigating cyber security risks presented by UAS.

**Scott Parker**, Chief, UAS Security Branch, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), **Department of Homeland Security**



# Conference Day Two: August 27

## 1200 LUNCH AND NETWORKING

### 1300 BEHIND THE SCENES: INSIGHTS FROM SYSTEM OPERATIONS SECURITY ON C-UAS COORDINATION

- ➔ Overview of System Operations Security's Role: Explore the key responsibilities of System Operations Security within the FAA and its crucial involvement in coordinating counter-unmanned aircraft systems (C-UAS) efforts.
- ➔ Coordination Mechanisms and Legislative Compliance: Discuss how System Operations Security facilitates coordination among various agencies, ensuring compliance with relevant legislation
- ➔ Review Process and Sign-off Procedures: Delve into the behind-the-scenes processes involved in reviewing C-UAS Concept of Operations, including the role of System Operations Security in recommending and signing off on these plans before they reach the Director, highlighting its critical oversight role within the FAA.

**Jonathan Herman**, 124n/2661 C-UAS Program Manager, AJR-262, **FAA ATO**

### 1330 SAFEGUARDING CRITICAL AIRSPACE: CUAS STRATEGIES FROM THE WASHINGTON AIRPORTS AUTHORITY

- ➔ Overview of CUAS strategies and operations by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to mitigate UAS threats and protect critical airspace.
- ➔ Insights into MWAA's approach to CUAS, including detection technologies, response protocols, collaboration with law enforcement agencies, and integration with broader airport security frameworks.
- ➔ Sharing lessons learned and best practices from MWAA's experience in CUAS operations and airspace security.
- ➔ Practical recommendations and actionable insights for attendees to enhance their own CUAS strategies.

**Amir Edwards**, Special Operations Division Commander, **Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority**

## 1400 NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

### 1430 CLOSEOUT PANEL DISCUSSION: TRAINING AND EDUCATION FOR C-UAS OPERATIONS: BUILDING EXPERTISE AND CAPABILITY

- ➔ Curriculum Development and Training Programs: Discuss the importance of developing comprehensive training curricula and programs for CUAS operations.
- ➔ Simulated Training Environments: Highlight the benefits of using simulation technologies to provide a realistic and immersive training experience.
- ➔ Continuing Education and Professional Development: Highlight the importance of continuing education and professional development opportunities for maintaining expertise and capability in CUAS operations.

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**Jarred Pennington**, Branch Chief, Law Enforcement Operations Branch, Federal Protective Service, **Department of Homeland Security**

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### 1500 CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT IN CUAS: EVALUATING EFFECTIVENESS AND ADAPTING TO EVOLVING THREATS

- ➔ Introduce The Diplomatic Security Service's approach to developing, maintaining, and enhancing C-UAS capabilities.
- ➔ Examine unique operational strategies for DSS. Cover key aspects like threat detection, response protocols, and international partnering abroad.
- ➔ Explore methods for evaluating and adapting technologies to improve effectiveness while addressing an evolving threat and regulations.

**Theodore Reddinger**, C-UAS Program, System Integration and Monitoring (DS/SSI/SIM), Diplomatic Security Service, **Department of State**

## 1530 CHAIRS CLOSING REMARKS END OF CONFERENCE



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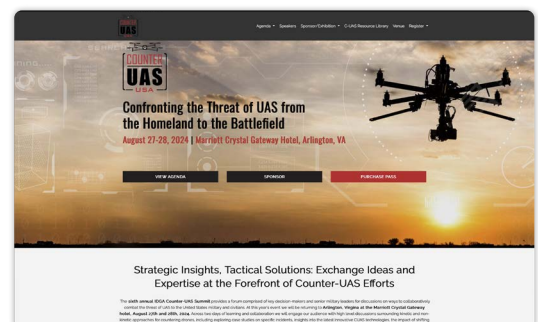
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