SOF WEEK

SUNDAY 5 MAY 2024

MONDAY 6 MAY 2024

- 0800 1700: Registration & Badge Printing Open (Tampa Convention Center)
- 0730 1700: Registration & Badge Printing Open (Tampa Convention Center)
- 0730 1700: Badge Printing Open (JW Marriott)
- 0900 1600: The Honor Foundation Transition Seminar
- 1205 1700: Industry Day Presentations
- 1800 2100: Global SOF 10th Anniversary Reception (ticketed attendees only)

TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024

- 0730 1700: Registration & Badge Printing Open (Tampa Convention Center)
- 0730 1700: Badge Printing Open (JW Marriott)
- 0830 1700: General Sessions (JW Marriott)
- 1000 1700: Exhibition Halls Open in the Tampa Convention Center and JW Marriott
- 1000 1130: SOF Week Exhibition Live Demonstrations at The Dock
- 1130 1615: PEO Overview Presentations
- 1400 1530: SOF Week Exhibition Live Demonstrations at The Dock
- 1530 1700: JW Marriott Exhibit Hall Networking Reception

WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2024

- 0730 1700: Registration & Badge Printing Open (Tampa Convention Center)
- 0730 1700: Badge Printing Open (JW Marriott)
- 0845 1730: PEO and Directorate Overview
- 0855 1135: General Sessions (JW Marriott)
- 1000 1700: Exhibition Halls Open in the Tampa Convention Center and JW Marriott
- 1000 1130: SOF Week Exhibition Live Demonstrations at The Dock
- 1200 1300: Capabilities Demonstration in the Bay
- 1400 1530: SOF Week Exhibition Live Demonstrations at The Dock
- 1500 1700: SOF Community Corridor Networking Reception
- 1530-1700: Tampa Convention Center Exhibit Hall Networking Reception

THURSDAY 9 MAY 2024

- 0800 1500: Registration & Badge Printing Open (Tampa Convention Center)
- 0800 1500: Badge Printing Open (JW Marriott)
- 0855 1400: Conference Sessions
- 1000 1500: Exhibition Halls Open in the Tampa Convention Center and JW Marriott
- 1800 2200: U.S. Special Operations Command Awards Ceremony & Dinner (ticketed attendees only)

To see the most updated version of the schedule, please visit SOFweek.org or look at the Agenda on the SOF Week App. Scan the SOF Week App QR Code with your smartphone or tablet to learn more.

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

ATTENDEE BADGE PRINTING OPEN

0730 - 1700

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Prefunction - Floor 3 - Lounge

0730 - 1700

Tampa Convention Center - Mezzanine Level - Registration Desk

THE HONOR FOUNDATION TRANSITION SEMINAR

0900 - 1600

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

This one-day seminar will be executed by The Honor Foundation. Ideal for military personnel that are 24 to 18 months out from retirement or separation from active-duty service.

This seminar requires a separate pre-registration and is not open to walk-ins.

INDUSTRY DAY PRESENTATIONS

1205 - 1300: INTRODUCTION TO SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES ACQUISITION, TECHNOLOGY, AND LOGISTICS (SOF AT&L)

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

The USSOCOM Deputy Director for Acquisition, Mr. Bill Innes, 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 as well as provide guidelines for making the most of your time at SOF Week.

1300 - 1400: SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH (SBIR) 101

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (OUSD) Research and Engineering (R&E) Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Director present SBIR 101 followed by DoD Component specific presentations from the U.S. Army, U.S. Air Force (AFWERX), CBD, DARPA, MDA, U.S. Navy, and USSOCOM. In this session, you will receive an introduction to the SBIR/STTR program and understand their specific instruction on how best to support the varied Department of Defense (DoD).

1300 - 1400: SOF AT&L COMMUNICATIONS WITH INDUSTRY & REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS (1ST SESSION)

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

SOF AT&L Contracting Officers and Program Managers will conduct round-table discussions with attendees on the different communication mediums (e.g., SAM.gov, Industry Days, etc.) used to forecast or discuss new requirements with industry and the limitations on communications during the formal source selection process. This session will allow industry to obtain an understanding of how the Government communicates requirements to industry through the various stages of the acquisition process. The intent of these exchanges is to provide industry with insight on the process and limits of Government exchanges and to gain insight from industry on areas where SOF AT&L can improve in its communication with industry. The session will also focus on Request for Proposals (RFP) Sections L and M, highlighting keys to submitting successful proposals. These discussions between Government and industry foster collaboration, exchange of best practices, and ensure industry partners are well-informed to navigate the proposal submission process efficiently.

This session is closed to the media and requires advanced registration (2 per company max).

1400 - 1500:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (OSD) 2024 SMALL BUSINESS

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

Mr. Faroog Mitha, Director of the Department of Defense Office of Small Business Programs, will detail key takeaways from the department's recently released Small Business Strategy, designed to promote a strong, dynamic, and robust small-business industrial base by focusing on reducing barriers to entry, increasing set-aside competitions, and leveraging programs to grow the industrial base.

1430 - 1530:

SOF AT&L COMMUNICATIONS WITH INDUSTRY AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS (2ND SESSION)

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

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1500 - 1600: SOFWERX OVERVIEW

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

SOFWERX and SOF AT&L Acquisition Resources will provide an overview of how industry, academia, laboratories, and others can leverage the SOFWERX platform to do business with USSOCOM to help address the challenging problems facing our warfighters.

1600 - 1700: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE SMALL BUSINESS FORUM

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

The USSOCOM Acquisition Executive, Director of Procurement, and Office of Small Business Programs Director will discuss USSOCOM's small business programs and doing business with the Command. This session will include a brief overview of SOF AT&L followed by an open Q&A.

GLOBAL SOF 10TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

1800 - 2100

Sparkman Wharf - 615 Channelside Dr, Tampa, FL 33602

Join Global SOF as they celebrate 10 years of the Global SOF Foundation!

This event requires a ticket to attend. It is available as an add-on to your SOF Week registration or may be purchased on site at the event itself. SOF Week badges must be worn to this event.

TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024

ATTENDEE BADGE PRINTING OPEN

0730 - 1700

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Prefunction - Floor 3 - Lounge

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0730 - 1700

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Tampa Convention Center -Mezzanine Level - Registration Desk

EXHIBITION HALLS HOURS

1000 - 1700

Tampa Convention Center - 3rd Floor Exhibition Halls, Mezzanine Level, Ground Floor and JW Marriott - 2nd Level

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

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0730 - 0830: NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom Prefunction

0830 - 0850: GENERAL SESSION:

WELCOME REMARKS AND PROCLAMATION FROM THE CITY OF TAMPA*

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

Meet the Master of Ceremonies for Tuesday: Mr. John Burnham.

SOF Week will commence with a Proclamation issued by the Mayor of Tampa, Jane Castor.

0850 - 0900: GENERAL SESSION:

WELCOME FROM THE GLOBAL SOF FOUNDATION*

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

Global SOF Foundation President and CEO Mr. Stu Bradin will share the Foundation's excitement about jointly sponsoring SOF Week!

0900 - 1000: GENERAL SESSION:

USSOCOM COMMANDER KEYNOTE

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

Keynote remarks from USSOCOM Commander Gen. Bryan Fenton.

1015 - 1100: BREAKOUT SESSION: PRIVACY ENHANCING TECHNOLOGIES & DIGITAL HYGIENE

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

Open to U.S. and Partner Nation SOF and spouses, this session will teach attendees how to safeguard their digital privacy with the latest techniques and technologies.

1030 - 1130: GENERAL SESSION:

SOF AT&L ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE KEYNOTE*

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

USSOCOM's Special Operations Forces Acquisition, Technology, & Logistics (SOF AT&L) Acquisition Executive, Ms. Melissa Johnson will discuss how USSOCOM SOF AT&L is leading and transforming the acquisition community.

Invited media will join the USSOCOM Acquisition Executive, Ms. Melissa Johnson, for a discussion at the conclusion of her Keynote Remarks.

1115 - 1200: BREAKOUT SESSION: EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL SOF

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

Obtain an overview of the various educational opportunities provided by the NATO SOF headquarters and the U.S. Joint Special Operations University for both U.S. and Partner Nation SOF.

1115 - 1200: BREAKOUT SESSION:

FINANCIAL READINESS FOR MILITARY RETIREMENT

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

This session is a brief overview about debt, consumer advocacy and protection, money management, credit, financial planning, insurance, and consumer issues. Learn how to get your financial house in order before you begin the next chapter of life!

1200 - 1300:

MEDIA ROUND TABLE WITH THE USSOCOM SOF AT&L AE

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ashley Boardroom

Representatives from the Media will be invited to join the SOF AT&L Acquisition Executive, Ms. Melissa Johnson, for a Media Roundtable after the conclusion of her Keynote Remarks.

Attendance at this session is by invitation only

1200 - 1250: CARP: BEYOND THE TEXTBOOK: LEVERAGING ACADEMIC EXPERTISE FOR

NEXT-GENERATION DEFENSE SOLUTIONS

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Capabilities Accelerator Rally Point



V2X builds smart solutions designed to integrate physical and digital infrastructure – by aligning people, actions, and outputs. Formed by the merger of Vectrus and Vertex, we bring a combined 120 years of successful mission support. Our lifecycle solutions improve security, streamline logistics, and enhance readiness.

Operating in more than 50 countries and territories worldwide, we deliver a comprehensive suite of integrated solutions across the operations, intelligence, and logistics markets to national security, defense, civilian and international clients. Our team of approximately 16,000 employees brings innovation to every point in the mission lifecycle, from preparation to operations, to sustainment, as it tackles the most complex challenges with agility, grit, and dedication.

1300 - 1400: GENERAL SESSION:

THE VALUE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOF NETWORK

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

The competitive advantage for SOF is its network of partnerships and mutual trust built over decades of enduring engagements, and its ability to operate in diverse environments to disrupt our adversaries and execute precise, targeted missions that further national strategic interests. This panel will delve into the speakers' experiences worldwide. The intent is to explore the criticality of SOF, shared values and ethos, and the networking power binding them together.

1300 - 1400: BREAKOUT SESSION: SOUND OFF MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

Suicide rates continue to rise with Service Members and Veterans, plaguing the SOF community. At Sound Off, our mission is to empower those who are reluctant to seek care due to stigma. After we share how current and former SOF members can both seek help and support their brother and sisters, Chief Growth Officer Dr. Alex Balbir will moderate a panel featuring innovative nonprofits that partner with Sound Off to deliver mental health care and suicide prevention programs in the SOF community.

1300 - 1400: BREAKOUT SESSION: MAKE EVERY WORD COUNT: CRUSHING THE CHAOS OF TEAM COMMUNICATIONS

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

Communication is the single pivot point of high-performing teams. It's the skill area where time is tragically wasted, and targets are missed – or where objectives are sped along an easy route to success.

In this content-packed session of actionable tools, Juliet Funt lays out for you a communication bullseye that goes far beyond word choice or brevity, and encompasses such critical shared skills such as:

- Eliminating redundant channels and decluttering your team's communication landscape
- Incorporating the time-saving marvel of asynchronous communication
- Discerning when to use 2D digital exchanges and when to switch to 3D in-person conversations for maximum impact
- Implementing aggressive tactics to slash your email volume
- Mastering the art of saying "no" to focus on what truly matters

Juliet Funt is the author of A Minute to Think, CEO of a training and consulting firm, and a regular feature in top media outlets such as Forbes, CNN, and Fast Company. Her corporate clients include Nike, Google, Costco, and Sephora and she was a popular keynote speaker at SOF's Modern Warfare 2024. We're delighted to have Juliet back as she opens her extensive toolkit, sharing with us the tactical communication changes that will streamline work and liberate your talent. This session provides fresh insights as well as tools that you will use right away and every day.

1415 - 1500: BREAKOUT SESSION: THE FUTURE OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS: ETHICS FOR THE FOURTH AGE OF SOF

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

This session will explore the importance of ethical actions by SOF personnel, the unique factors that SOF confront by virtue of their missions and structure, and the moral issues prevalent in irregular warfare.

1300 - 1350: CARP: BRIDGING THE GAP: BLENDING FINANCE AND INNOVATION FUNDING FOR PRIVATE CAPITAL/DEFENSE PANEL DEFENSE

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Capabilities Accelerator Rally Point

1415 - 1500: BREAKOUT SESSION: OWN YOUR TRANSITION: PROACTIVE PLANNING FOR SUCCESS

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

Feeling overwhelmed by the entirety of tasks associated with retiring or separating from active duty military service? Attend this session and obtain some peace of mind! Experts from relevant Veteran Service Organizations will help participants plan for success.

1430 - 1500: GENERAL SESSION: JOINT WARFIGHTING CONCEPT: SOF ROLES IN GREAT POWER COMPETITION

JW Marriott - 4th Floor - Tampa Bay Ballroom

The Joint Warfighting Concept challenges the U.S. joint force to reassess how it approaches competition, deterrence, and conflict. This panel of experts and practitioners will review the purpose of the concept – namely how the U.S. joint force will implement the U.S. National Security Strategy. Additionally, the panel will delve into the specific role of SOF and the concept's mandate to be innovative, flexible, and adaptable.

1515 - 1600: BREAKOUT SESSION: NAVIGATING THE VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION DISABILITY CLAIM FILING PROCESS

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

Obtain a top-level overview of VA benefits application process, with a specific SOF personnel lens. Ideal for military personnel that are 24 to 18 months out from retirement or separation from active-duty service.

1515 - 1600 CARP: PRIORITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (OSD)/DIRECTOR, OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATIONS (DOT&E), STRATEGIC INITIATIVES, POLICY AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES (SIPET)NEW FRONTIERS IN DEFENSE RESEARCH: UNLOCKING INNOVATION AT EMERGING RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Capabilities Accelerator Rally Point

1530 - 1700:

EXHIBITION HALL NETWORKING RECEPTION

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Exhibition Hall

Visit the Exhibition Areas of the JW Marriott Hotel to participate in the Networking Reception.

1600 - 1700: SENIOR INDUSTRY EXECUTIVE FORUM

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

SOF AT&L Acquisition Executive and leading industry partners will explore various topics including the capabilities of industry expertise, SOF areas of need, collaborative ventures, and the future landscape of SOF requirements.

Attendees must be pre-registered for this session.

1630 - 1700: PROCUREMENT SESSION: PROJECT SPECTRUM - TRAINING, TOOLS, AND APPLICATIONS FOR CYBERSECURITY MATURITY MODEL CERTIFICATION (CMMC) JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

Project Spectrum is a comprehensive platform that provides companies, institutions, and organizations with cybersecurity information, resources, tools, and training at no cost to industry.

USSOCOM PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICE (PEO) SESSIONS

1130 - 1230: PEO OVERVIEW: SOF WARRIOR (SW)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

The Program Executive Office for Special Operations Forces Warrior (PEO-SW) is a diverse organization which provides rapid and focused acquisition of Special Operations-Peculiar capabilities to USSOCOM operators conducting global, decisive Special Operations Forces (SOF) activities. PEO-SW comprises 10 Joint Program Management Offices and over 300 military, civilian, and contractor personnel. By cultivating an aggressive, risk-taking culture, they dutifully and dependably execute every dollar appropriated to develop, acquire, and field critical warfighting capabilities in support of USSOCOM's five Component Commands. PEO-SW is a decisive enabler to SOF AT&L's no-fail mission to provide effective, wide-ranging, time-sensitive capabilities to widely dispersed and often isolated SOF in several unique commodity areas. PEO-SW manages a more than \$1 billion investment portfolio that includes over 500 efforts across programs, projects, Middle Tiers of Acquisition, Combat Evaluations, Studies, and CRADAs. The diverse portfolio includes six primary warfighting focus areas: Ground Mobility; • Operator Target Acquisition & Visual Augmentation Systems; • Operator Weapon Systems & Accessories; • Operator Ammunition/Demolition /Loitering & other Munitions; • Operator Equipment, Protection, and Survival; • Operator First Aid Kits, Medic Kits; • Casualty Evacuation.

1130 - 1230: PEO OVERVIEW: TACTICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS (TIS)

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Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

The Program Executive Office for Tactical Information Systems (PEO-TIS) directs the rapid development, fielding, new equipment training, and sustainment of state-of-the-art sensors and associated C2, emplacement, recovery, and tactical communication systems across all domains to enable total situational awareness for the SOF warfighter. The PEO-TIS capability portfolio includes Tagging, Tracking, and Locating Systems; Blue Force Tracking; Sensor Systems; Biometrics and Forensics Systems; Joint Threat Warning System; Group 1-3 Unmanned Aerial Systems; and Tactical Communications and Computing. The focus is to provide situational awareness for SOF Warfighters and interoperability with US Military and International Partners.

1130 - 1230:

JOINT ACQUISITION TASK FORCE (JATF) OVERVIEW

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

JATF OVERVIEW Hyper-Enabled Force/Team in competition focuses on enhancing the SOF Operator's multi-domain understanding at the edge in support of the Joint Force and Integrated Deterrence. The Joint Acquisition Task Force (JATF) is developing and integrating technologies to deliver cognitive overmatch to SOF Operators working through Partner Forces at the edge in congested, contested, and denied environments. These technologies will enable SOF Operators to intuitively utilize information provided by next-generation sensors, edge computing, advanced analytics, and communication systems to rapidly build understanding; make timely, well-informed decisions; and take actions inside an adversary's ability to react.

1245 - 1345: PEO OVERVIEW: FIXED WING (FW)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

Program Executive Office for Fixed Wing (PEO-FW), relentlessly develops, delivers, and adapts Special Operations (SO)-peculiar manned and unmanned fixed-wing solutions to effectively enable airpower capabilities for Special Operations Forces (SOF). PEO-FW collaborates with SOF end-users, Research & Development activities, Academia, and Industry Partners to synchronize acquisition efforts resulting in the development, testing, procurement, and fielding of an array of capabilities. These include a wide range of SOF-specific fixed wing platforms and associated advanced technology sensors, weapon systems, defensive countermeasures, advanced avionics, and mission-training systems.

USSOCOM's manned and unmanned fixed-wing aircraft provide the backbone for SOF airborne capabilities such as aerial refueling support, airborne precision engagement, and aerial intelligence, surveillance, & reconnaissance (ISR). These provide SOF with the global ability to infiltrate, exfiltrate, and resupply in hostile denied environments leveraging air assets such as the MC-130J Talon III and CV-22 Osprey. PEO-FW portfolio also includes the AC-130J Ghostrider and the upcoming OA-1K Sky Warden, which provide critical precision engagement and close-air support using both service-common weapons and SO-peculiar Stand-off Precision Guided Munitions to engage a variety of targets.

The final components of the PEO-FW portfolio are the Airborne ISR (AISR) systems which include the U-28A aircraft, JAVAMAN, MC-12 Liberty, MQ-1C, and MQ-9. PEO-FW is also the lead for Air Force Special Operations Command's priority Adaptive Airborne Enterprise (A2E), which will evolve the MQ-9 based AFSOC AISR operations into a family of systems meeting SOF mission needs. These manned and unmanned systems deliver real-time Global ISR support to Combatant Commanders. To accomplish this mission, the PEO-FW acquisition team also includes Detachment 1, an independent and dedicated development test team located at Eglin Air Force Base, and leverages extensive collaboration with Combat Acquisition Detachments and Service Program Offices around the country. This extensive teaming enables the innovation and support required to achieve the high operational tempo of these aircraft while empowering relentless adaptation to incorporate capability and sustainment improvements to meet the demands from the nation's quiet professionals in the SOF community.

1245 - 1345: SOCOM PATHWAYS FOR DOING INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

USSOCOM SOF AT&L International Operations Office collaborates with partner nations and industry partners to develop and field Special Operations-peculiar capabilities. The International session will feature a presentation and discussion on potential pathways Industry partners could use to facilitate greater exposure on the International level and will focus on current International Cooperative R&D efforts, Foreign Comparative Testing, International Experimentation, and other International Programs.

1245 - 1345: PEO OVERVIEW: SOF DIGITAL APPLICATIONS (SDA)

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

The Program Executive Office for Special Operations Forces Digital Applications (PEO SDA) is responsible for executing software-centric programs that enable USSOCOM to make data-driven decisions. By leveraging trusted solutions across Industry and Government, PEO-SDA digital transformation efforts prioritize making data more accessible and usable to the SOF Warfighter. PEO-SDA's portfolio consists of Mission Command Systems, Mission Planning and Execution, Intelligence Support, SOF Digital Ecosystem, and Unmanned Systems Autonomy. Our focus areas include: • Open Systems Architecture; • Infrastructure as a Service; • Platform as a Service; • Enterprise Data-Centricity; • Applications (AI/ML) from Cloud to Edge; • Ops/Intel Fusion (COP/CIP).

PEO SOF Digital Applications mission is to deliver innovative, relevant, and dependable Special Operations-peculiar software and data capabilities for the SOF warfighter to achieve information dominance and win in a complex environment.

1400 - 1500: PEO OVERVIEW: ROTARY WING (RW)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

The Program Executive Office for Rotary Wing (PEO-RW) is responsible for providing rapid and focused acquisition, research and development, and life cycle logistics support to the operators of the US Army Special Operations Aviation Command and the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, which provides SOF rotary-wing capability to the joint force. PEO-RW provides the most advanced rotary-wing aircraft, mission equipment, and training systems available to the U.S. military by continuing to focus on technologies that ensure operators have a comparative advantage against all potential threats. PEO-RW accomplishes this critical mission with a three-part strategy focused on readiness, recapitalization, and investments in lethality and survivability. The rotary-wing fleet consists of the MH-47G Chinook, MH-60M Black Hawk, and the A/MH-6M Little Bird.

1400 - 1500: DIRECTORATE OVERVIEW: SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (S&T)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

The Science & Technology Directorate focuses on integrating S&T efforts across the SOF enterprise. This includes ensuring that technology opportunities are aligned with technology enablers and developers, ongoing efforts are integrated with transition partners, additional innovation that is required to address S&T opportunities is identified, and disruptive

technology solutions are assessed for their impact and potential benefit to the SOF mission set and SOF operator of the future. S&T priorities are aligned with the USSOCOM Commander's Capabilities and Programming Guidance (CPG). S&T is focusing its efforts on the six technology thrusts: Warfighter Performance; Hyper Enabled Force; Multi-Domain Communications and Computing; Scalable Precision Effects; Emplacement and Access; and Battlespace Awareness.

1400 - 1500: PEO – SOF SUPPORT ACTIVITY (SOFSA) OVERVIEW

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

PEO - SOF Support Activity's (SOFSA) mission is to manage the capability development, modification, and integration of SOF-peculiar equipment on a variety of SOF rotary- and fixed-wing aircraft as well as ground vehicles and maritime vessels. SOFSA provides responsive, tailored contractor logistic support worldwide to Special Operations Forces Component Commands and Theater SOCs to enhance Theater Combatant Commander (COCOM) readiness and warfighting capabilities. PEO SOFSA supervises execution of a multiyear contract (max. of 10 years) valued at \$8 billion. These briefings address key areas that the SOF GLSS [Global Logistics Support Services] prime contractor desires from industry. The briefing also informs industry of expeditionary logistics capability development requirements. These requirements will be executed by PM Expeditionary Support within PEO SOFSA.

1515 - 1645: DIRECTORATE OVERVIEW: ENTERPRISE INFORMATION SYSTEMS (EIS)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

The Directorate Enterprise Information Systems (EIS) manages the development, acquisition, fielding, new equipment training, and sustainment of Garrison C4 and MISO [Military Information Support Information] systems. The portfolio includes two primary capability areas – Enterprise Networks & MISO Systems. Enterprise Information Systems will continue to integrate new or emerging technologies as part of its systems' life cycle refresh, and in parallel, will leverage other government agencies and offices to transform SOF C4 and MISO capabilities. The focus is to enable a culture of connectivity; provide access to required resources from anywhere on the globe; and ensure interoperability with all military, interagency, and international partners.

1515 - 1645: PEO OVERVIEW: MARITIME (M)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - 120 - 121

The mission of the Program Executive Office for Maritime (PEO-M) is to provide game-changing capability to hyperenable Naval Special Warfare operators through the development and fielding of advanced surface and undersea platforms and equipment in order to maintain and expand the competitive advantage in the maritime domain The portfolio provides both surface and undersea maritime mobility platforms in various stages of development, production, and sustainment as well as cutting edge SOF Combat Diving equipment. The surface fleet consists of the Combatant Craft Heavy, Combatant Craft Medium, Combatant Craft Assault, Special Operations Craft – Riverine, and Small Unmanned Surface Vehicles. The undersea fleet consists of the Dry Deck Shelter, Dry Combat Submersible, SEAL Delivery Vehicle, SOF Combat Diving, and Small Unmanned Underwater Vehicles.

1515 - 1615: PEO OVERVIEW: SERVICES (SV)

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

The Program Executive Office for Services (PEO-SV) platform, "Building Future Capacity for the SOF Enterprise," supports the organizations responsibility for planning, policy, execution oversight, and management of USSOCOM service acquisitions awarded in accordance with the contracting authority of USSO-COM's Acquisition Executive. PEO-SV supports the requirements of the USSOCOM Component Commands, Theater Special Operations Commands, USSOCOM Joint Directorates, Special Staff and Functional Activities. PEO-Services ensures the cost-effective acquisition of manpower augmentation and professional capabilities to efficiently provide Stability, Agility, and Reach in support of the diverse requirements of the USSOCOM Enterprise.

Some of the required services categories include: • Subject matter expertise • Knowledge-based services • Professional Services • Logistical Services • Medical Services • IT Services. PEO Services leverages contract vehicles throughout the Department of Defense and Federal Government, as well as SOF-specific contracts to provide the most responsive support possible to the USSOCOM mission. After contract award, PEO Services provides expertise during and after the transition from requirements into programs of record. These activities include requirement development, acquisition strategy development, evaluation source selection support, and program management oversight after contract award.

SOF WEEK EXHIBITION LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

1000 - 1130 AND 1330 - 1700

Tampa Convention Center - The Keyhole (Outside)

Don't miss out! See the latest industry capabilities up close at the SOF Week Industry Exhibition Demonstrations.

EXHIBITION HALL NETWORKING EVENTS

1500 - 1700: EXHIBITION HALL NETWORKING RECEPTION JW Marriott - Exhibition Halls (Floor 2)

We welcome you to visit the exhibit hall in the JW Marriott and network with your fellow attendees.

1100 - 1300 AND 1500 - 1700: "CLEARSPEED GIVES BACK" Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Foyer

Join Clearspeed in the SOF Community Corridor to help make a difference in the lives of the local Tampa community. This interactive opportunity supports Blessing in a Backpack, putting together backpacks with non-perishable meal items to provide food on the weekends for school-aged children located in the Tampa area who might otherwise go hungry. SOF Week attendees will have the opportunity to lend a hand to assemble bags of essentials for community recipients.

Clearspeed Gives Back will be located in the SOF Community Corridor and take place on Tuesday, 7 MAY from 1100 - 1300 & 1500 - 1700 and Wednesday, 8 MAY from 1500 - 1700.



WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2024

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0730 - 1700

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0730 - 1700

Tampa Convention Center - Mezzanine Level - Registration Desk

EXHIBITION HALL SHOW HOURS

1000 - 1700

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0800 - 0855: NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST *JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom Prefunction*

0855 - 0900: GENERAL SESSION:

WELCOME REMARKS

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

Meet the Mistress of Ceremonies for Wednesday: Dr. Lyla Kohistany.

0900 - 0930: GENERAL SESSION:

HIS MAJESTY KING ABDULLAH II KEYNOTE SPEECH AND SOCOM MEDAL PRESENTATION

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

This session is closed to media.

0930 - 1000: GENERAL SESSION:

KEYNOTE SPEECH: LESSONS LEARNED AND THE

FUTURE OF SOF

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

The Right Honorable Ben Wallace, former Minister of Defense for the United Kingdom, will give his remarks.

1000 - 1045: BREAKOUT SESSION: USSOCOM WARRIOR CARE PROGRAM (WCP) AND PRESERVATION OF THE FORCE AND FAMILY (POTFF) UPDATE

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

USSOCOM Warrior Care and POTFF leaders will provide an overview of their programs, priorities, and challenges.

1000 - 1200: GOVMATES MATCHMAKING

Westin Waterside - Ground Floor - Channelside Room





SOF WEEK SCHEDULE

1015 - 1100: BREAKOUT SESSION: INTERNSHIPS: RUMORS VS. REALITY

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salons I - IV

The speakers will provide an overview of DoD-sponsored internships for active-duty SOF personnel, as well as updates on the policies and processes to obtain them.

1030 - 1130: GENERAL SESSION: DEVELOPING SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAMS FOR THE FUTURE

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

SOF formations have the nation's most elite warfighters in their arsenal, but how do SOF commands ensure that their units excel and overmatch their adversaries with the right mix of tools needed to prevail in the current and future fight? We will hear from both US and Partner Nation SOF leaders as to how they tackle common challenges and what innovative strategies they employ to empower SOF teams across the spectrum of operations.

1045 - 1130: BREAKOUT SESSION:

ASD SO/LIC IRREGULAR WARFARE TECHNICAL SUPPORT DIRECTORATE OVERVIEW

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

Rapid SOF RDT&E mission, organization overview, & International SOF Bilat program highlights.

1115 - 1200: BREAKOUT SESSION: CANCER: CAUSES, EARLY DETECTION & TREATMENT

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salons I - IV

Each year 56,000 veterans are diagnosed with and treated for cancer, and special operations personnel are not immune. This session will include experts in the prevalence of cancer diagnoses among veterans, the latest in early detection protocols, and new and promising treatments.

1130 - 1230: BREAKOUT SESSION: CREATIVE LEADERSHIP

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salons V - VI

Learn how to be a creative leader – someone who is confident and competent at thinking differently when it comes to problem-solving and idea generation. Creativity encourages you to seek out fresh perspectives from yourself and others, and through that diversity of idea sharing is where your next big win can come from! This style of innovative leadership reflects the diversity of your team, perspective sharing, and establishes a psychologically safe environment where everyone feels comfortable sharing ideas.

1200 - 1300: CAPABILITIES DEMONSTRATION

Tampa Bay

1400 - 1500: NON-PROFIT ROUND ROBIN

Tampa Convention Center - CARP Theater

The Non-Profit Round Robin event provides SOF community non-profits with a platform to showcase their work and vie for a piece of a \$15,000 donation from GSOF Gives Back.

1530 - 1630: AE INVESTMENT COMMUNITY ROUNDTABLE

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

SOF AT&L leaders will engage the private sector to attract and expand private capital to support USSOCOM requirements.

The goal is to develop and implement strategies and partnerships to accelerate and scale private investment into critical SOCOM technologies faster and more effectively.

1430 - 1530: BREAKOUT SESSION: MORAL INJURY AND TRAUMA IN SOF

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salons V - VI

In the high-stakes realm of international SOF, servicemembers often encounter situations that challenge their moral frameworks and leave lasting psychological impacts. This panel discussion will illuminate the complex landscape of moral injury and trauma experienced by these elite forces and the role that recognition of these experiences can play in building trust with partners and allies.

USSOCOM PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICE (PEO) AND DIRECTORATE SESSIONS

0845 - 0945: DIRECTORATE DEEP DIVE: ENTERPRISE INFORMATION SYSTEMS (EIS)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

Please see page 34 for the PEO Description

1000 - 1100: PEO Q&A: MARITIME (M)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

Please see page 34 for the PEO Description

1000 - 1100: PEO DEEP DIVE: ROTARY WING (RW)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

Please see page 33 for the PEO Description

1300 - 1400: PEO DEEP DIVE: FIXED WING (FW)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

Please see page 32 for the PEO Description

1300 - 1400: PEO DEEP DIVE: SOF DIGITAL APPLICATIONS (SDA)

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

Please see page 33 for the PEO Description

1415 - 1515: PEO DEEP DIVE: SOF SUPPORT ACTIVITY (SOFSA)

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

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1415 - 1515: PEO DEEP DIVE:

TACTICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS (TIS)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

Please see page 32 for the PEO Description

1530 - 1630: PEO OVERVIEW: SOF WARRIOR (SW)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

Please see page 34 for the PEO Description

1630 - 1730: DIRECTORATE DEEP DIVE:

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (S&T)

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

Please see page 34 for the Directorate Description

1530 - 1630: PEO DEEP DIVE: SERVICES (SV)

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

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1500 - 1700: SOF COMMUNITY CORRIDOR NETWORKING RECEPTION

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - "SOF Community Corridor"

Join the nonprofits selected for the "SOF Community Corridor" on the ground floor of the Tampa Convention Center for a networking opportunity.

1545 - 1645: BREAKOUT SESSION: MILITARY AND INDUSTRY TRAILBLAZERS DIVERSITY OF EXPERIENCE AND THOUGHT

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

The People and Culture Cell (PCC) is responsible for infusing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) principles in daily business practices, policies, and procedures. The facilitation of the SOF Week Discussion Panel will embody these principles by bring defense, federal, and community partners together to champion and inform audience participants on how diversity of experience and thought can improve organizational culture, vision, and mission. This panel will highlight phenomenal people whose daily focus is People which aligns with the U.S. Special Operations Command Commander's priorities, People-Win-Transform. Panelist will have an opportunity to share their challenges and successes.

1530 - 1630: SBIR/STTR TRANSITION PANEL

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

Learn the keys to a successful SBIR/STTR journey and Phase III success. A Q&A session where Department of Defense (DoD) components SBIR/STTR leads will provide small businesses with the opportunity to learn about SBIR/STTR Phase III (Commercialization). The objective of Phase III is for the small business to pursue the objectives resulting from the Phase I/II R/R&D activities.

SOF WEEK EXHIBITION LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

1000 - 1130 AND 1400 - 1530

Tampa Convention Center - The Keyhole (Outside)

Don't miss out! See the latest industry capabilities up close at the SOF Week Industry Exhibition Demonstrations.

EXHIBITION HALL NETWORKING EVENTS

1500 - 1700: SOF COMMUNITY CORRIDOR NETWORKING RECEPTION

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Foyer

Join the nonprofits in the "SOF Community Corridor" on the lower level of the Tampa Convention Center for a networking opportunity. Sponsored by Bank of America.

1530 - 1700:

EXHIBITION HALLS NETWORKING RECEPTION

Tampa Convention Center - Exhibition Halls (Ground Floor, Mezzanine, Floor 3)

Visit the Exhibition Areas of the Tampa Convention Center to participate in the Networking Reception.

1500 - 1700: "CLEARSPEED GIVES BACK"

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Foyer

Join Clearspeed in the SOF Community Corridor to help make a difference in the lives of the local Tampa community. This interactive opportunity supports Blessing in a Backpack, putting together backpacks with non-perishable meal items to provide food on the weekends for school-aged children located in the Tampa area who might otherwise go hungry. SOF Week attendees will have the opportunity to lend a hand to assemble bags of essentials for community recipients.

Clearspeed Gives Back will be located in the SOF Community Corridor and take place on Tuesday, 7 MAY from 1100 – 1300 & 1500 - 1700 and Wednesday, 8 MAY from 1500 - 1700.

THURSDAY, 9 MAY 2024

ATTENDEE BADGE PRINTING OPEN

0800 - 1500

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Prefunction - Floor 3 - Lounge

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION & BADGE PRINTING OPEN

0800 - 1500

Tampa Convention Center - Mezzanine Level - Registration Desk

EXHIBITION HALL SHOW HOURS

1000 - 1500

Tampa Convention Center - 3rd Floor Exhibition Halls, Mezzanine Level, Ground Floor - JW Marriott - 2nd Level

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0855 - 0900: **GENERAL SESSION**:

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JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

Meet the Mistress of Ceremonies for Thursday: Ms. Liliana Roman.

0900 - 0930: GENERAL SESSION:

THE POWER OF ALLIES AND PARTNERS KEYNOTE

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

General Charles Q. Brown, Jr., Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will give his remarks.

0930 - 1000: GENERAL SESSION:

KEYNOTE: THE HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER P. MAIER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS AND LOW-INTENSITY CONFLICT, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

0900 - 1030: BREAKOUT SESSION: ARMY FUTURES COMMAND INTERNATIONAL: INNOVATION THROUGH GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

The Army Futures Command (AFC) enables decisive Multi-Domain Operations with its Global Enterprise of AFC International Programs, Forward Elements strategically located across the globe, and personnel within AFC's subordinate Commands identifying cooperative science and technology opportunities; facilitating interaction with foreign government and non-government entities and industry; promoting interoperability among allies; and supporting basic and applied research to develop capabilities and partner capacity that support the U.S. Army. The AFC Global Enterprise provides technical and scientific advice and assistance to USSOCOM for concept and product development, enables integration of technical capabilities into USSOCOM exercises and experimentation events, and helps build partnerships to address USSOCOM challenges.

0900 - 1000: BREAKOUT SESSION: REVOLUTIONIZING SOF CAPABILITIES: A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH TO RAPID CBRN DEFENSE INNOVATION

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

USSOCOM plays a pivotal role in the National Defense Strategy for countering weapons of mass destruction (CWMD) and chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN)



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defense. Discover how USSOCOM leverages its unique authorities to drive technology innovation in support of the Joint Force to fight and win in CBRN-contested environments. Learn how USSOCOM's CBRN research, development, and acquisition experiment (RDAX) mitigates risk through technology assessments, warfighter integration, concept validation, and whole-of-government education. Take away best practices for technology experimentation, hear experiment testimonials from industry stakeholders, and explore future opportunities for industry collaboration in SOF CBRN experiments.

1000 - 1100: BREAKOUT SESSION: STRESS MANAGEMENT TRAINING

JW Marriott - Floor 2 - Ybor Ballroom V

This experience will provide you with increased awareness and strategies focused on improving: how you perceive and experience stress, how to regulate your emotions more effectively, your ability to manage both your "always on" and "unexpected" stressors, and create a more practical approach to experiencing intentional recovery throughout your day. At the end, you'll have an actionable plan to achieve intentional recovery during your workday...even when you have no time.

1000 - 1100: BREAKOUT SESSION: THE IMPACT OF ALLOSTATIC LOAD

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon V - VI

Many SOF service members are leaving service with a collection of health issues: chronic pain, obstructive sleep apnea, substance abuse, depression, endocrine dysfunction, and many other social, physical, or mental-health-related challenges. Some refer to this as "operator syndrome"; however, medical professionals refer to it as the effects of a high allostatic load – or chronic stress. This panel will discuss this affliction and the latest research and treatments.

1030 - 1130: GENERAL SESSION: TECHNOLOGY AS AN INTERNATIONAL SOF FORCE MULTIPLIER

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

This panel will feature leading experts from industry with experience in various defense technology areas and will explore questions such as: How will the future of SOF be transformed by technology? How will technology change the operating environment across domains? How can USSOCOM best enable its personnel with the latest and greatest?

1030 - 1115: BREAKOUT SESSION: BENEFITS & BEST PRACTICES OF A JOINT SOF COMMAND

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Florida Ballroom Salon I - IV

Many countries have established joint special operations commands since U.S. Special Operations Command was formed in 1987. Some have even established multinational organizations in order to share capabilities and leverage comparative advantages. Learn from a diverse panel of experienced SOF leaders how joint SOF commands present both opportunities and challenges.

0930 - 1030: PARTNER NATION SESSION: SWEDEN – MARITIME CAPABILITY FOR ARCTIC OPERATIONS

Tampa Bay Convention Center - Ground Floor -Room 120 - 121

1100 - 1500: BREAKOUT SESSION: OPERATIONS IN THE INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (OIE) SYMPOSIUM

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 118 - 119

1030 - 1130: PARTNER NATION SESSION: COLOMBIA - EMERGING TECHNOLOGY FOR JUNGLE WARFARE

Tampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 -121

1130 - 1230: PARTNER NATION SESSION: JAPAN - MARITIME SECURITY CONCERNS FOR THE

SOUTH CHINA SEATampa Convention Center - Ground Floor - Room 120 - 121

1300 - 1400: GENERAL SESSION:

FIRESIDE CHAT

JW Marriott - Floor 4 - Tampa Bay Ballroom

ADM (Ret.) William McRaven will sit down with journalist Ms. Catherine Herridge for a senior leader conversation.

SOF WEEK EXHIBITION DEMONSTRATIONS

1000 - 1400

Tampa Convention Center - The Keyhole (Outside)

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Check out the online agenda for the complete schedule and list of demonstrations.

USSOCOM AWARDS CEREMONY AND DINNER

1800 - 1900: SOCIAL (COCKTAIL HOUR)

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Grand Ballroom Pre-function

1900 - 2200: AWARDS CEREMONY AND DINNER

Marriott Water Street - Floor 2 - Grand Ballroom

The USSOCOM Awards Ceremony and Dinner is a long-standing highlight of USSOCOM's annual conference. It features several awards, including The Bull Simons Award, which was first awarded in 1990. The award recognizes recipients who embody "the true spirit, values, and skills of a Special Operations warrior." Col. Arthur "Bull" Simons, whom the award is named after, was the epitome of these attributes.

Separate registration is required for this event; it is only opened to ticketed attendees.

