



NCOIC Update to Members – July 2017

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Save the Date: Fall 2017 Interoperability Discussion

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, September 13, when NCOIC directors, advisors, members and guests will meet in Arlington, Virginia for the next in a series of interoperability discussions. Look for details soon on the NCOIC website about this important event, which builds on previous senior-leader exchanges on topics including interoperability governance, security, requirements, evaluation and acquisition strategies.

NCOIC and NATO Continue Partnership at Upcoming Meetings

Technology and legal experts from NCOIC will meet later this month with leaders from NATO Allied Command Transformation (ACT) to move forward on the consortium's [Interoperability Verification Initiative](#). During the past five years, NCOIC has worked with NATO agencies in support of its 2030 vision for command and control through the modernization of its IT infrastructure and creation of Federated Mission Networking (FMN), a concept to promote secure collaboration and information exchange in multinational operations. In 2016, the consortium introduced Interoperability Verification for NATO to use in the acquisition of technical products and services. Most recently, NCOIC completed a study for ACT's Command & Control, Deployability & Sustainment group; it described the "art of the possible" for 21st century command and control using industry best practices and outlined methods, processes and recommendations to achieve that end state.

U.S. President Receives Info on the Need for Interoperability Now

NCOIC members are encouraged to read and share "Interoperability: Saving Lives and Money," a briefing paper that was submitted to and reviewed by President Donald Trump earlier this year. Preparing the paper were Consortium leaders: Harald Kujat, Advisory Council Chairman; Harry Raduege, CEO; Dr. Thomas Cellucci, Board Member; and Dr. Doug Rosendale, Board Member.

The paper gives an overview of the billions of dollars spent each year to enable defense and security products/services to operate together and how these unnecessary expenses waste time, delay action and have negative effects on key sectors of the economy and on society. It explains how cross-domain interoperability can significantly reduce costs and speed up the exchange of vital information. Plus it emphasizes NCOIC's expertise and proven approach to creating interoperability efficiencies. To read the paper, go to:

http://www.ncoic.org/images/news/NCOIC_Value_of_Interoperability3-2017.pdf

Members Invited to Weekly Tech Team Call

All members are invited to join the weekly Technical Council telcons that are held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (Eastern U.S. time); if you are interested, contact Mark Bowler at mark.k.bowler@boeing.com.

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