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About Us

The Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA) was formed to identify, champion and coordinate issues that contribute to our National security and provide benefit to our members, local communities, the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security, and other Federal Government agencies.

SENEDIA’s vision is to be a catalyst for thought leadership and technical innovation in undersea technology, cybersecurity and other critical defense technologies. Our mission is to enable the development of the innovative technology, foster thought leadership,

Upcoming Event
Polaris MEP, RI PTAC and SENEDIA are sponsoring a DFARS Cybersecurity Awareness Workshop on Tuesday, 19 September from 0730 to 1100 at the Crowne Plaza in Warwick. Pat Toth, the Cybersecurity Program Manager at the NIST Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, will present.

Pat is considered THE subject matter expert in the area of Cybersecurity, and specifically DFARS. During her 26 years at NIST, Pat has worked on numerous documents and projects including SP 800-53, SP 800-53A, SP 800-171, SP 800-16 rev 1, and NISTIR 7621. Before she came to NIST, she served as a Cryptologic Officer in the U.S. Navy. Register Here

Paid Interns Available
SENEDIA, through a Real Jobs RI grant, is able to offer member companies screened engineering or cyber/IT student interns from universities and colleges in Rhode Island. Internships are 80 hours and SENEDIA pays the intern a $1500 stipend, invoicing the the respective company for a $200 match. If your company would like to host an intern, please contact SENEDIA’s Director of Programs Townley Knudson at tknudson@senedia.org.

New Class of PTECH Students: Mentors and Volunteers Needed
The Pathways in Technology Early College High School (PTECH) Newport Cybersecurity program is the only high school cybersecurity program in RI. Looking forward to its second year, there are 32 sophomores and 36 incoming freshmen enrolled and committed to the PTECH program. More than 50 percent of the students are female, and two-thirds of the PTECH
and facilitate required economic and workforce development.

SENEDIA is a 501(c)(6) corporate and individual membership organization. Our alliance maintains detailed knowledge of the industrial base that supports our local Federal, Defense and Homeland Security installations and provides up-to-date information on Defense and Homeland Security industry issues and initiatives to our members, citizens, state and local governments, and congressional delegations.

Cybersecurity students are first generation college students. Mentors are a critical component to the program, and contribute greatly to student success.

Along with mentors, we also are looking for industry volunteers who would be willing to be guest speakers, participate in panel discussions, or showcase a product or technology capability.

View the PTech Newport Cybersecurity Program video.

If you are interested in becoming a PTECH Cybersecurity mentor, volunteering, or learning more about the PTECH Newport Cybersecurity program, contact SENEDIA's Director of Education Outreach Linda Larsen at llarsen@senedia.org.

Join Network of Women in Science & Engineering
SENEDIA, through a Real Jobs RI grant, is building a network of Rhode Island Women in Science and Engineering (RIWISE) to include women professionals, teachers, and college students in the science and engineering fields. Our first informal networking event will be in the Fall. If you are interested, or know of someone who may be interested, in being on our email list and finding out more, please send an email to RIWISE@senedia.org.

SENEDIA Member News
Congratulations to SENEDIA member companies PowerDocks LLC and SEA Corp. for winning Providence Business News' Fastest Growing & Innovative Companies 2017 Awards. PowerDocks LLC is recognized as the Innovative Company for Energy & the Environment, and SEA Corp. is recognized as one of the top 20 Fastest Growing companies.

SENEDIA Donates $5k to RI Military Organization
On 12 September 2017, SENEDIA presented the RI Military Organization a check for $5,000 with funds raised through SENEDIA's annual golf tournament and prize raffle that took place in June. RIMO will be using the donation to support the Military Lounge at T.F. Green Airport in Warwick, RI. SENEDIA's 2018 annual golf tournament and raffle is currently planned for 11 June 2018.