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About Us

In 2002, the Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA) was formed to identify, coordinate, and champion 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 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 development of innovative technology, foster thought leadership, and facilitate required economic and workforce development.

SENEDIA is a 501(c)(6) corporate and individual membership organization.

Engineering & Computer Science Interns Available

SENEDIA attended Fall career fairs at Brown University, Roger Williams University, University of Rhode Island, and University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, and we have several great intern candidates obtaining degrees in mechanical, electrical, ocean or systems engineering; computer science and cybersecurity; and supply chain management.

Through Real Jobs RI, SENEDIA can pay interns directly or pay member companies $1300 per intern to apply toward the intern's wage. If you have an intern already selected, consider bringing her/him on board through SENEDIA's intern program; SENEDIA can pay the intern directly or pay your company. A company may have multiple interns.

The pool of member companies taking SENEDIA interns is growing, and companies and interns alike have praised the program! If your company is interested in hosting an intern, please contact Townley Knudson at tkudson@senedia.org with skills and degrees you are interested in having.

Upcoming SENEDIA Events

Tech Talk: International Technology Perspectives - a Discussion with International Students from the US Naval War College’s Naval Command College
Thursday, 21 November
7:30 AM Networking/Continental Breakfast
8:00 - 10:00 AM Program
Atlantic Resort Wyndham
240 Aquidneck Avenue, Middletown, RI
Register Here

The U.S. Naval War College welcomes senior officers
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.

SENEDIA is pleased to have the opportunity to have a panel discussion on International Technology Perspectives with some of the members of this year's Naval Command College Class.

Moderator for this event will be CAPT Kevin McGowan, Director of the Naval Command College.

Panelists will include:
CAPT Alberto Tarabotto, Italian Navy - Submarines
CAPT Takuo Kobayashi, Japan Maritime Defense Force - Surface
CDR Chi-ho "Jimmy" Wu, Taiwan Navy - Surface
CDR Naif Alsulami, Royal Saudi Navy - Surface
CDR Anita Sellick, Royal Australian Navy - Surface
CAPT Andrew Hingston - Royal Canadian Navy - Surface

NAVSEA and NAVAIR SBIR Workshop
Wednesday 4 December
7:30 AM Registration/Networking/Breakfast
8:15 AM - 12:00 PM Program Broadcast
Atlantic Resort Wyndham
240 Aquidneck Avenue, Middletown, RI
Register Here

On 4 December 2019, Navy SBIR Program Offices will be discussing their recently released SBIR/STTR topics. Representatives from the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) and Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) will be participating. We will live broadcast this event at the Atlantic Resort Wyndham. A representative from the NAVSEA SBIR office will be on-site with us.

The day's agenda will include:
- Keynotes from Navy leadership.
- Reviews of NAVSEA and NAVAIR SBIR / STTR topics in the Broad Agency Announcement pre-release.

Who is participating:

- NAVSEA: PEO SHIPS - Ships; PEO LCS - Littoral Combat Ship; PEO SUB - Submarines; PEO IWS - Integrated Warfare Systems; and NAVSEA Directorates
- NAVAIR: AIR 1.0 (Assistant Commander for Acquisition); PEO (T) - Tactical Aircraft Programs; PEO (A) - Air Assault and Special Mission Programs; PEO (U&W) - Unmanned Aviation & Strike Weapons; and PEO (JSF) - Joint Strike
What technology is needed:

- Additive Manufacturing Solutions
- High Velocity Learning Applications
- Ship Maintenance Technologies
- Graphics Interface for 3D Display Environments
- Cyber Threat Insertion and Evaluation Technology
- 3D Imaging Techniques
- Cybersecurity Techniques
- Advanced Sensors

The topics will be released on November 26, 2019. Please watch for more information as it becomes available.

Only a select number of locations nationwide live-stream this event!

**Cybersecurity Resiliency for Defense Contractors**
The MEP National Network 1-Day Cyber Resilience Educational Program
Tuesday 17 December
Providence Marriott
1 Orms St., Providence RI
8:30 AM Check-in / 9:00 AM Event
Register Now

In this free, one-day educational event, a team with deep knowledge of DFARS, NIST SP 800-171, and the draft CMMC will help manufacturers understand how to manage their risk and take steps to ensure they adequately protect all information and the future of their business.

Topics to be covered include:
* The importance of becoming a cyber resilient company
* Understanding the drivers of risk management outcomes
* Protecting Covered Defense Information (CDI)
* DFARS and Cloud Computing
* Utilizing Security Guidance: NIST SP 800-171
* The Future of Requirements (CMMC) and Audits
* What specific steps you can take to ensure you remain eligible to do business within the DoD Supply Chain

Who Should Attend:
* Owners, CEOS, CFOs and COOs of manufacturing companies with contracts within the Department of
Defense Supply Chain, whether you're a subcontractor to a Prime or in a lower tier
* Manufacturing leaders who want to do business within the DoD Supply Chain and need to understand the DFARS cybersecurity regulations, the NIST SP 800-171 guidance, and the proposed CMMC requirements.
* Manufacturing employees with day-to-day responsibility for IT

Upcoming Partner Events

Israel/Rhode Island Funding Opportunity Up to $1M
The BIRD Foundation has an opportunity for Rhode Island companies to partner with Israeli companies for up to $1 million grants for research. Learn how in a workshop with Andrea Yonah, East Coast Representative of the BIRD Foundation in one of two locations. If you would like to participate please go to the respective link and register. The event is free but registration is required.

Dec. 3rd 4:30-6:00 PM Innovate Newport, Newport RI
Dec. 4th 12:00-1:30 PM Nelson Center for Entrepreneurship, Providence, RI

Is Your Company Interested in Participating in the World's Leading Ocean Technology Marine Science Exhibition and Conference?
The Chafee Center for International Business at Bryant University, in partnership with the RI Commerce Corporation, is hosting a Rhode Island booth at Oceanology, which takes place from March 17-19 in London at the Excel Center.

The booth will be shared by 6 Rhode Island companies.

Benefits of Participation:
* Your products/services listed in the Oceanology Directory
* Turn-key exhibition solution including your own personalized display stand, furniture, and company graphics within the RI booth
* Assistance before, during and after the show from Chafee Center staff
* Oceanology trade show passes for attending staff from each company

Participation in the RI booth at Oceanology is supported by the Rhode Island STEP Program and is available to eligible Rhode Island small businesses.

This is a competitive process as space is limited. Applications will be accepted until December 10, 2019.

Once accepted into the program, a $500 refundable
A deposit is required to confirm your company's space in the booth. *$500 deposit is refundable only upon successful completion of the event.

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