



SENEDIA will continue to share relevant COVID-19 information with our members by separate email.

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About Us

SENEDIA's is a catalyst for thought leadership and technical innovation in undersea technology, cybersecurity, and other critical defense technologies. We enable the development of innovative technology, foster thought leadership, and facilitate related economic and workforce

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island COVID-19 Reopening Plans

For information and resources on Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island reopening plans, please go to each state's website:

CT: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus>

MA: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-massachusetts>

RI: <https://www.reopeningri.com/>

Member Spotlight: Patrona Corporation What is your company's history?

Patrona Corporation is a small business founded in 2005. Patrona has a history of providing programmatic, technical/engineering, logistics, quality and administrative support primarily to the U.S. Navy. Patrona currently supports or has previously supported, the Naval Sea Systems Command, Industrial Operations Directorate, Undersea Warfare Directorate, Program Executive Officer - Columbia, Program Executive Officer - Submarines, Naval Undersea Warfare Center - Newport, and the Submarine Maintenance, Engineering, Planning and Procurement Activity as either prime or sub-contractor. Patrona headquarters is located at 1220 12th Street SE, Washington, DC, with a field office in Dover, NH.

What services and/or products does your company provide?

Program Management - Patrona Corporation has extensive knowledge and experience assisting clients with the oversight and management of complex programs and projects. Patrona assists our clients by developing system/program policy and governance,

development programs.

Membership

Not yet a Member? SENEDIA provides resources, access, networking opportunities and connections with your peers.

Interested in joining? Please view our [member application here](#).

Job Openings

One benefit for members is posting job openings on SENEDIA's website. There are [several postings currently on SENEDIA's website](#).

If you would like to post your company's openings, or link to your company's career webpage, please contact us at senedia.info@senedia.org.

plans and tools to identify and control program variances and identifying actions necessary to mitigate cost and schedule risks. Patrona currently provides this level of support and expertise to the Columbia Program (technical/design and logistics offices), the Strategic and Attack Submarine Program Office (monitoring and oversight of Private Shipyard submarine maintenance availability planning and execution) and the naval shipyards through the conduct of "Hot Wash" evaluations to capture lessons learned from the execution of submarine maintenance and overhauls to improve future performance.

Technical/Engineering - Patrona maintains technical and engineering experience and capabilities across a wide variety of marine systems (primarily submarine systems) with specialized in-depth experience in applying Reliability Centered Maintenance techniques to mechanical systems and components, and with the unique technical and safety requirements of Deep Submergence submersibles and manned systems.

Strategic and Operational Planning - Patrona's talented and knowledgeable workforce includes prior government executives familiar and experienced with leading large organizations, setting strategic and operational goals, developing plans and programs to attain objectives, monitoring progress, identifying opportunities and mitigating risks.

Quality Assurance - Patrona Corporation provides technical, logistics and administrative expertise in support of the Navy's Special Emphasis Programs, including the SUBSAFE, Deep Submergence Systems - Scope of Certification, and Submarine Fly-By-Wire Ship Control System quality programs. Additionally, Patrona's business and operations policy, processes and procedures are maintained and executed under an approved Quality Management System certified to ISO 9001:2015 standards.

Why do you consider membership in SENEDIA valuable?

Our membership in SENEDIA provides us an excellent opportunity to network with industry and Government partners. This benefit has proven to be valuable to Patrona as we continue to grow our contracts and operations. SENEDIA membership also ensures Patrona is aware of local economic trends and business opportunities. Lastly, SENEDIA, through e-Communication, has provided Patrona with timely and valuable information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, enabling us to develop and coordinate Return To Office plans consistent with our customer's requirements and local government guidance.

If a company wants to do business with yours,

whom should they contact?

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SENEDIA Member Information

SENEDIA has assembled [member company information](#) on:

- Technical Capabilities
- Government Customer Base
- Operating Domains
- Business Size/Status

This information can be used for networking and collaboration.

Industry Input Requested

The University of Rhode Island has an Office of Naval Research Defense University Research-to-Adoption (DURA) project that addresses the critical needs and technical challenges posed in electrical grid reliability, resiliency and security. One aspect of this effort is identifying the workforce that will be needed to protect this critical infrastructure.

The URI team is reaching out to industry to get input on problems/skill gaps that should be addressed. Any input can be sent to: Dr. Haibo He, haibohe@uri.edu, or Dr. Yan Sun, yansun@uri.edu.

Restore Greater Newport Initiative

SENEDIA is a founding member of [Restore Greater Newport](#). This initiative is focused on efforts to restore and revive the Greater Newport economy in response to the COVID-19 economic impact. To date, the Restore Greater Newport team has been working to:

-Increase the use of mask-wearing and other health and safety efforts to allow us to keep cases down and the economy open.

-Assess the immediate and longer-term impacts on jobs and businesses.

-Advocate for the creation of new economic mitigation efforts such as the Restore RI program.

-Promote a monthly Greater Newport business and resident survey that seeks to gauge economic impacts as well as confidence that our community has in the economy ahead.

All of the work is being informed by key economic data which is being published on a weekly basis on the [Restore Greater Newport website](#).

SENEDIA's Real Jobs Rhode Island Internship Program

SENEDIA is the lead for the RI Department of Labor and Training [Real Jobs Rhode Island](#) Defense Industry Partnership grant to implement workforce development programs in partnership with industry, academic and non-profit partners. As part of this effort, we manage a robust internship program including an active veteran internship program.

SENEDIA currently has several intern candidates waiting for placement in cybersecurity, information technology, engineering and sciences, and business and supply chain management.

For any questions related to SENEDIA's RJRI internship program, contact Linda Larsen at llarsen@senedia.org.

Events

Digital Government: How Israel & Rhode Island Use Government Services During the Current Pandemic

[Registration Link](#) for the virtual event

Date: Monday, August 24th, 2020

Time: 1:00 - 2:15 pm EST

Save the Date: SENEDIA Virtual Tech Talk: MITRE: Accelerating Maritime Technology Innovation

Tuesday, 22 September 0900 (Registration will be forthcoming)

During this Tech Talk, Nick Rotker, Department head at the MITRE Corporation and currently leading MITRE's R&D efforts in the undersea and maritime domains, will discuss MITRE's key research focus areas, as well as collaborations and initiatives in the maritime space.

Rescheduled: Annual SENEDIA Golf Tournament

SENEDIA's Annual Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for Monday 26 October 2020 at Montaup Country Club.

SENEDIA 2021 Defense Innovation Days

We have set the dates for Defense Innovation Days 2021: 30 August-1 September 2021 at the Marriott Newport! Save the Date!

Due to the continuing COVID19 environment and restrictions on large group gatherings, the 2020 Defense Innovation Days has been cancelled.

2020/2021 SENEDIA STEM Scholarship Opportunity Deadline Extended

SENEDIA will award a minimum of two \$1500 scholarships for the 2020/2021 academic year to students who are actively pursuing studies related to

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) career paths. These areas of study are the backbone of the skills and experiences that are important elements in supporting the future of national security and the defense sector.

Student applicants must be a U.S. citizen; a resident of Southeastern New England (RI, MA, CT); entering their third year of study (or higher) in the 2020-2021 academic year; and a matriculating student enrolled in a STEM-related field at an accredited college or university located in the U.S.

The 2020-21 SENEDIA scholarship application is available [here](#). The deadline for applications is **Friday, October 30, 2020**. For more information, please contact Linda Larsen at llarsen@SENEDIA.org.

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