



SENEA July 2021 e-Newsletter

From the Executive Director:

Registration is now open for the 2021 Defense Innovation Days, to be held 30-31 August, featuring key leaders in defense, policy, and national security, including Senator Jack Reed, Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee. [REGISTER ONLINE.](#)

After having to cancel last year due to the pandemic, we are eager to bring back our [annual Defense Innovation Days](#), a compelling series of conversations about the needs, opportunities, and future of the defense industry - all made possible by our generous sponsors: Platinum Sponsors, Raytheon Technologies, General Dynamics and Undersea Technology Innovation Consortium; Silver Sponsors, Northrop Grumman and Teledyne Marine; and Bronze Sponsor, the National Institute for Undersea Vehicle Technology.

This year's event will offer an all-virtual format, allowing us to prioritize health and safety while opening up access for a diverse group of stakeholders and thought leaders across the country.

In short, this is an essential convening for everyone in the defense ecosystem.

Please [register today](#), forward this message to your colleagues and networks, and share the registration link on social media. Tag us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [LinkedIn](#) @SENEA_, and use the hashtag, #DefenseInnovationDays.

Please read below for other items of interest to SENEA member companies and the regional defense cluster.

Best,
Molly Donohue Magee

SENEA Tech Talk - NUWC Division Newport Update on the Transition from the COVID Environment - 1 July 2021

NUWC Division Newport Commanding Officer Capt. Chad Hennings and Technical Director Ron Vien briefed the defense contracting community on the NUWC Division Newport Update on Transitioning

from the COVID Environment. Their presentation can be found here: [NUWC Division Newport Return to Office Industry Brief](#).

SENEDIA Tech Talk - Discussion on Defense Acquisition with DASN, Procurement, Ms. Cindy Shaver - 14 July 2021, 10:00-11:00 am

Join us for this unique opportunity to hear from Ms. Cindy Shaver, the Deputy Assistant of the Navy (DASN), Procurement. In this role, she is the senior procurement executive for acquisition and contracting policy that governs the operation of the Department of Navy's worldwide acquisition system with annual obligations well in excess of \$100 billion. Ms. Shaver is the principal civilian advisor to the Navy Acquisition Executive for all procurement matters, serves as the Department of Navy's Competition Advocate General and is the leader of the Navy's contracting, purchasing and government property communities.

Register here: <https://forms.office.com/r/b4JK4NaXg4>

Submarine Shipbuilding Supply Chain - Incumbent Worker Training Reimbursement

SENEDIA, through our Submarine Shipbuilding Workforce Development contract with DoD, has launched the Incumbent Worker Trade/Industrial Skills Training Program. This program will provide New England companies, who are part of, or could become part of, the Submarine Shipbuilding Supply Chain, the ability to apply for up to \$30,000 in reimbursable funding for employee trades or industrial skills training. Funding for the program is limited, and applications are reviewed on a first come/first served basis. To learn more or apply for the program, visit www.BuildSubmarines.com/training. A trade and industrial skill training provider database is also available on the website for companies who have training needs but do not currently have a provider. For additional information, email training@senedia.org.

Innovate Newport: The Blue & You: Understanding our Blue Economy

This summer, Innovate Newport will host a program called "The Blue & You: Understanding Our Blue Economy." On July 29th, the focus will be on the defense industry as it relates to the blue economy. Panelists will include Molly Magee, Executive Director of Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance and Undersea Technology Innovation Consortium, Dave Lussier, President of SEACORP, and Victor Ricci, Chief Technology Officer at Naval Undersea Warfare Center.

The speaker series will be held from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the gymnasium at Innovate Newport. This is a FREE event. Registration is required at the link [here](#).

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