

Women in SATCOM to discuss the National Defence Authorisation Act 2018 at Global MilSatCom

Expert all female SATCOM panellists to discuss the National Defence Authorisation Act 2018 at this year's Global MilSatCom event

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, August 13, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- SMI are delighted to announce that the 20th annual Global MilSatCom conference, taking place 6th – 8th November in London, will feature a new, all female panel discussion on 'What the National Defence Authorisation Act 2018 Means for SATCOM'.

Led by senior military and industry representatives from the US, the panellists include:

- Ms Deanna Ryals, Chief, International Programmes Division, Military Satellite Communications Systems (MILSATCOM) Directorate, Space and Missiles System Center (SMC), Air Force Space Command, US Air Force

- Ms Sandra Erwin, National Security Reporter, Space News

- Ms Clare Grason, Division Chief, Satellite Communications, Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)

- Ms Andrea Loper, Acquisition Program Manager, Air Force Research Laboratory Space Vehicles Directorate, US Air Force

Key talking points of the panel discussion include:

- SATCOM in a contested world – current communication challenges and where they can be overcome

- National Security Space Provisions within the legislation, moving towards consideration of space as a unique domain

- Protected satellite communication services within NDAA, an overview of assessments of waveforms, terminals and ground segment sections



- What NDAA means for government-industry cooperation in space and enhancing US space enterprise
- How the Warfighter Information Network-Tactical (WIN-T) will be developed in the wake of NDAA – ring-fencing survivability and security requirements
- An outline of the roadmap for military satellite requirements and enhancing the use of commercial constellations

When discussing the panel, Andrea Loper, Acquisition Program Manager, Air Force Research Laboratory Space Vehicles Directorate for the US Air Force said:

“Since I began working for the Air Force in 2008, there has been much rhetoric at space symposia and conferences identifying the problems resulting from an increasingly contested, congested and competitive space environment.” ... “The need for speed and agility is the new of the coin of the realm in military space and, if the U.S. wishes to remain relevant, policies, guidance and a culture adverse to risk must evolve to: enable international partnerships, develop new applications and acquire rapidly space-based assets.”

Sandra Erwin, National Security Reporter at Space News also quoted:

"It's a pivotal time for U.S. military satcom. The Defense Department just completed an analysis of alternatives for wideband communications — and at the same time it is being directed by the Congress to submit a strategy and create a program office for commercial satcom services. Yes, a lot to digest. I look forward to the discussion at Global MilSatCom."

Just one of the four expert led panel discussions exclusive to [Global MilSatcom 2018](#).

The three-day event is an ideal forum to raise questions, to share the experience and knowledge among 500+ decision makers from the Government and Military, as well as leading international industry professionals.

There will also be a pre-conference focus day on 5th November, entitled: [‘Small Satellites and Disruptive Technology’](#). More information on the conference and focus day can be found on the event website.

[Registrations for the conference](#) made by the 28th September will receive a £100 discount.

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