

About NDIA

The National Defense Industrial Association drives strategic dialogue in national security by identifying key issues and leveraging the knowledge and experience of its military, government, industry, and academic members to address them.

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National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)

Description:

NDIA, comprised of its Affiliates, Chapters, Divisions, and 1,800 corporate and 66,200 individual members, is a non-partisan, non-profit, educational association that has been designated by the IRS as a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization—not a lobby firm—and was founded to educate its constituencies on all aspects of national security.

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NDIA formed from a merger between the American Defense Preparedness Association, previously known as the Army Ordnance Association, founded in 1919, and the National Security Industrial Association, founded in 1944. For more than 100 years, NDIA has provided a platform through which leaders in government, industry, and academia can collaborate and provide solutions to advance the national security and defense needs of the nation.

Leaders in Government Industry Academia

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NDIA Leaders :

NDIA is governed by an Executive Committee that is advised by a Board of Directors. The Board is composed of senior leaders from across the broad spectrum of companies that support national security and comprise the defense industrial base. The Board exercises powers, duties, and responsibilities delegated to it by the bylaws and corporate charter of the Association. The NDIA Board meets twice a year and consists of senior representatives of member companies at the c-suite level with an Executive Committee that meets more frequently.

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NDIA Divisions :
NDIA Divisions facilitate government and industry interchanges, offering a wide array of opportunities to contribute ideas, make recommendations, and participate in objective studies and analyses with government. The Divisions maintain close contact with representatives of appropriate government agencies and, through their constructive counsel, have become institutions in American defense-industry relationships.

Armaments Division :
The Armaments Division provides a forum for industry, government, and the military services to address issues related to sustaining superior armament system capability for the war-fighter.

Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Defense Division :
The CBRN Defense Division focuses on traditional defensive measures, chemical weapons demilitarization, treaty compliance, industrial base issues, and domestic preparedness.

Combat Survivability Division :
Enhancing survivability is an essential element of overall combat mission effectiveness by promoting the communication of survivability technical information to develop requirements for, design, build, and tactically employ military weapon systems.

Cyber-Augmented Operations Division :
The Cyber-Augmented Operations Division (CAO) focuses on harnessing the power of cyber-related technologies (such as high-speed processing, agile spectrum electronics, and information algorithms) to deliver speed and automation to create both tactical and operational advantages in military operations. CAO technologies will expand as innovators reveal the potential for cyberspace beyond support for intelligence and traditional military operations.

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Cybersecurity Division :

The Cybersecurity Division addresses the impacts of regulations imposed by government on industry such as the FAR and DFAR contract clauses on protecting controlled but unclassified information, and the steps necessary for compliance with NIST 800-53 and NIST 800-171 guidance. The Division also addresses legislation such as the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act. Finally, Cybersecurity collaborates with other NDIA Divisions to address cybersecurity issues such as supply chain risk and advanced manufacturing.

Electronics Division :

The mission of the Electronics Division is to lead the evaluation of current and future challenges, and to develop proposed solutions to address such challenges so that the U.S. Government and industry may access and provide trusted and assured electronics.

Expeditionary Warfare Division :

The Expeditionary Warfare Division is the focal point and coordinating element within NDIA for the identification, study, and resolution of expeditionary warfare and force protection issues in the littoral regions of the world that affect the strength of the national defense industrial base and the armed services.

Health Affairs Division :

The NDIA Health Affairs Division is leading industry-focused Defense and Veteran's Health activity in addressing vital medical and technological innovations; advocating for critical changes in government policies, procedures, and legislation; and facilitating key industry, government, and academic partnerships to significantly improve diagnostic, treatment, and overall care for our nation's heroes and their families.

Human Systems Division :

The Human Systems Division addresses the full spectrum of areas related to the person as a system whose performance must be integrated into any system of systems. The Division works with government, industry, and academia to advance human performance in air, land, sea, space, and cyberspace environments through research, education, and consultation.

Integrated Precision Warfare Division :

The Integrated Precision Warfare Division drives a strategic dialogue between the Precision Strike and SLAAD communities.

Integrated Program Management Division :

The Integrated Program Management Division promotes a strong industry-government working relationship to address disciplined program performance management methodologies for planning and executing programs to optimize outcomes. Disciplined program performance management methodologies include earned value management. The IPMD initiates and leads program management improvement initiatives with the DoD and other federal agencies for the mutual benefit of the industrial base and the government to understand and adapt to changes in the procurement environment.

International Division :

The International Division is the Association's focal point and coordinating element for identification, study, and resolution of management and business issues associated with government

policy affecting the export of defense articles and services, and the globalization of the defense industry.

Logistics Management Division :

The Logistics Management Division includes industry and government participants and is one of the most active national-level logistics organizations. The Division works with DoD to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of logistics support to the warfighter. Division activities include government/industry studies and other collaborative efforts focusing on four major thrusts: Multi-Year Contracting Authority; Public Private Partnering; Logistics Workforce Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities; and Best Value Contracting.

Manufacturing Division :

The Manufacturing Division promotes regulate exchanges between the Defense Department, government agencies, universities, and industry of information relating to the design, development, acquisition, manufacture, and support of military systems.

Munitions Technology Division :

The Munitions Technology Division maintains an open exchange of technical information among government and industry programs and technical managers, and to identify changes and trends in policy, guidance, and organizational functions that impact the development, production, maintenance, and demilitarization of munitions.

Procurement Division :

The Procurement Division discusses sound and practicable procurement/acquisition policies and procedures on all matters affecting government/industry business relationships relating to the procurement/acquisition process.

Robotics Division :

The Robotics Division addresses the national security-related applications of robotics technology. Focus areas for the Division include the research, development, acquisition, application, integration, and sustainment of unmanned ground vehicles to enhance the capabilities and survivability of warfighters.

Science & Engineering Technology Division :

The Division provides a forum for discussion of the nation's defense needs by examining existing capabilities and suggesting appropriate measures to overcome deficiencies in defense research and development. Experts from industry, government, and academia to examine vital information in an open forum on technical needs and planned efforts.

Security and Counterintelligence Division :

The Security and Counterintelligence Division represents member companies' interests in all matters regarding industrial security. It is responsible for monitoring all security matters relating to the Defense Industrial Security Program, special access programs, and other activities that affect national security programs and corporate assets.

Small Business Division :

The Small Business Division aims to help grow and maintain a strong and diverse small business defense industrial base in support of our national security, promoting business skills/

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opportunities while providing insight on the needs of the defense community.

Space Division :

The U.S. Department of Defense, intelligence community, and the NDIA Space Division have common interests for collaborating to ensure they are well informed of each other's plans, perspectives, issues, and concerns to best ensure effective dealings with each other in the National Security Space domain.

Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict Division :

The mission of the SO/LIC Division is to assist industry, government, and the public in understanding both the critical role of special operations (SO) and low-intensity conflict (LIC) forces in our national security strategy and how these forces are integrated within our national military structure.

Systems Engineering Division :

The Systems Engineering Division works to promote the widespread use of systems engineering (SE) in the Department of Defense (DoD) acquisition process in order to achieve affordable and supportable weapon systems that meet the needs of the military users.

Tactical Wheeled Vehicles Division :

The primary objective of the Tactical Wheeled Vehicles Division of NDIA is to enhance the security of the United States by promoting communications and interaction between the defense industry, government, and military in the area of automotive activities.

Technical Information Division :

The Technical Information Division is concerned with all aspects of technical documentation: concept, analysis, preparation, management, control, and dissemination. The Division's fields of interest include: the configuration management of drawings, specifications, and digital data; management of engineering drawings, specifications, and standards; data management; policies and processes; computer-aided documentation techniques; and ISO requirements.

Test & Evaluation Division :

The mission of the Test & Evaluation Division (T&E) is to foster informed dialogue between private and public sectors on defense T&E issues; enhance the development of T&E policies that improve the developmental, operational, and live-fire T&E process; and build partnerships between the private and public sectors.

Undersea Warfare Division :

The Undersea Warfare (USW) Division concentrates on the Navy's key core competency mission of countering submarine and mine threats to the free and open flow of seaborne commerce or to the conduct of power projection from the sea.

NDIA Chapters :

NDIA Chapters offer the opportunity for individual and business coordination with regional military commands and working levels of the federal government. They are important elements that help NDIA and its members understand defense and national security requirements and needs.

Aberdeen Proving Ground Chapter :

Located at the historic Aberdeen Proving Ground the chapter has a history almost as old as the history of the Proving Ground itself. The mission of the APG chapter is to support its members. Membership defines the needs and goals of this chapter through networking, sharing of information and socializing in positive and enriching environments.

Central Florida Chapter :

Meeting in the Orlando area, the Central Florida Chapter supports the programs and activities of the national association; provides a means for liaison with and for local government agencies and personnel; encourages and facilitates exchanges of information between industry and government, with particular reference to national security, defense preparedness and Modeling & Simulation.

Central Georgia :

Central Georgia's mission is to develop a healthy and secure national security technology and innovation base that includes, government, academia, traditional and non-traditional defense partners. We seek to promote technological advantage over adversaries but require changes in industry, culture, investment and protection across national security innovation base. Visit our website at <https://connect.ndia.org/ndiacentralgeorgia/home>.

Delaware Valley Chapter :

The Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) consists of approximately 1300 members representing leading organizations in the greater Philadelphia region that support the defense industrial base. The chapter is committed to support the programs and activities of NDIA, provide a means for liaison with local government agencies and personnel, and encourage and facilitate the development of the national defense industrial base within the region. Our programs foster the exchange of information between industry and government with particular reference to national security.

First Coast Chapter :

NDIA First Coast Chapter was formed to create a local networking platform for its' 385+ members (individual and industry) in Northeast Florida, Northern Central Florida and Southeast Georgia. Northeast Florida's strong military presence has a significant economic impact on the region that provides stability and diversity within the local community. Area military installations such as Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Naval Station Mayport, Kings Bay Naval Base, Camp Blanding Joint Training Center, Naval Aviation Depot Jacksonville and Marine Corps Blount Island Command provide employment to more than 50,000 active duty, reserve and civilian men and women. The FC Chapter boundaries also includes other government installations geographic areas such as Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield to the North, Moody AFB to the Northwest, Camp Blanding, Florida Army and Air National Guard in St. Augustine, and the Gainesville and Cedar Key.

Georgia Chapter :

The Georgia Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association is a state-wide chapter supporting the defense industry across the State of Georgia and our 8 military communities

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Atlanta-Marietta, Augusta, Albany, Brunswick, Columbus, Savannah, Valdosta, and Warner Robins. Providing a legal and ethical forum for the interchange of ideas between the government and industry; encouraging and facilitating the exchange of information between industry and government with particular reference to national security and defense preparedness; promoting communication between industry, government, academic, and research facilities, and pursuing an active program in support of association membership, recruitment, retention, and providing a value-added service to members.

Great Lakes Chapter :

There are currently over 300 organizations consisting of more than 1180 active NDIA members in the Great Lakes Chapter, covering northeast Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. Join us and take advantage of everything the NDIA Great Lakes Chapter has to offer.

Great Rivers Chapter :

The NDIA Great Rivers Chapter (formerly the St Louis Chapter) was instituted in January 1928 when the organization was still the Army Ordnance Association and remained an active partner through the 1990s. It was reformed 81 years later in January 2009 based on the recognition of the growth of the “industrial base”, the defense and homeland security industries in Missouri.

Greater Hampton Roads Chapter :

Founded: 1957 |Yorktown , VA

Greater Indiana Chapter :

This chapter presently does not have a website. For more information about chapter activities contact the Chapter President.

Greater Los Angeles Chapter :

NDIA Greater Los Angeles Chapter is focused on supporting the US Air Force Space and Missile Systems Center at the Air Force Base in El Segundo, California. The chapter welcomes new members who are interested in contributing to the ethical exchange of relevant technology and policy information through workshops, panel discussions and our support of ROTC and STEM programs.

Greater New York-Connecticut Chapter :

The Greater New York-Connecticut Chapter represents over 2,900 individuals and 90 firms working and living in New York and Connecticut who harbor a singular focus on supporting America's warfighters and those of her Allies. We are glad you are here.

Greater Tampa Bay Chapter :

The Tampa Bay Chapter promotes a responsive government and industry national security team through productive interactions with MacDill Air Force Base, US Central Command, US Special Operations Command and other Defense activities in the Tampa Bay region. Regular seminars with DoD leadership, training sessions, industry surveys and consistent advertising of local DoD related events provide terrific dialogue and progress toward building more effective exchange of information between industry and government on national security issues and solutions.

Gulf Coast Chapter :

The Gulf Coast Chapter which supports Eglin Air Force Base, Florida area, promotes mutually supportive industry/government roles with the Armament Enterprise developing, testing, and producing air-to-air and air-to-ground munitions and supporting systems. Our chapter also actively promotes STEM study through university endowments/scholarships and grants to local students and teachers.

Hawaii Chapter :

The Hawaii Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) promotes collaboration between industry, government, and academia across the Hawaiian islands to deliver cutting-edge technology, weapons, equipment, training, and support to warfighters and first responders. The Chapter convenes ethical forums that connect experts to define threats and design solutions to ensure U.S. and partner national security. NDIA's membership embodies the full spectrum of corporate, government, academic, and individual stakeholders who form a vigorous, responsive, and collaborative community in support of defense and national security. The Chapter works with NDIA national to develop and deliver programming in support of our association's membership, recruitment, and retention by providing value-added services to our members.

Iowa-Illinois Chapter :

The Iowa-Illinois Chapter provides geographic coverage for Iowa and the western 1/3 of Illinois, to include Rock Island Arsenal and the surrounding area. The Chapter is dedicated to a strong national defense through industrial preparedness. We particularly have a long history of focused efforts in support of the industrial base, both private and government's organic capabilities. The chapter fosters improved open exchange of information and ideas among government and industry through our seminar program. NDIA's ideals are further promoted through the chapter's robust scholarship program, strong STEM support, and sponsorship of community events focused on the military.

Lone Star Chapter :

The Lone Star chapter covers the North Texas area and surrounding regions extending across the North Texas border. We support the NDIA's mission in a variety of ways, including working with local defense industry corporations, organizations, university programs, and others in order to foster thoughtful regional collaboration and a connection to the national organization.

Michigan Chapter :

The Michigan Chapter supports the government-industry team in Michigan by providing program and technology-focused events, such as, GVSETS and MDEX. The Chapter provides unique networking events through its Annual Black Tie Dinner Meeting and Annual Membership Social. The Chapter is active in supporting future scientists and engineers through STEM-related scholarships, competition support, and activities.

New England Chapter :

New England's rich array of academic, research, technology and entrepreneurial resources are brought together under the NDIA-New England mantle. We host an ongoing series of

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meetings and events to exchange timely and useful information on all aspects of doing business in the defense, homeland security and government contracting sectors, including advanced technology, acquisition reform, contracts and accounting, legal and regulatory affairs, and political matters.

Northern Tier Chapter :

The Northern Tier Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association is currently in development to support the defense industry across the Great Plains region comprised of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, and Minnesota.

Picatinny Chapter :

The Picatinny Chapter provides local geographic focus on the Picatinny Arsenal, nestled in the northern New Jersey Highlands. The mission is to encourage and facilitate the exchange of information between local Industry and Government representatives. Over the years, the chapter has financially recognized the local high schools and universities, the arsenal and defense sector through its annual Picatinny Firepower Awards program.

Red River Regional Chapter :

The Red River Regional chapter was formed to support the military installations in the Red River Region, which includes parts of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, and Mississippi. Its purpose is to provide a variety of opportunities for government and industry organizations to exchange information and thus foster greater innovation for the defense of the United States.

Rocky Mountain Chapter :

The RMC is focused on being a service organization supporting local government organizations, enhancing regional STEM education, and mostly, becoming more of a service organization to our members by providing a host of activities, leadership meetings, and events supporting their businesses.

San Diego Chapter :

The San Diego Chapter is committed to providing a forum for the open and ethical exchange of information between our members and the local military commands we support. The Chapter sponsors a variety of events that bring government and industry together to share views and perspectives, such as the nationally known Gold Coast Navy small business conference. Our monthly luncheons allow members to socialize and hear about local defense issues that affect their businesses.

Southern Nevada Chapter :

The Southern Nevada Chapter locally unites our previously disparate defense related companies into a collaborative environment that fosters a path to grow the industrial base of the area to meet the needs of the warfighters. Integral with this mission is our collaboration with other local organizations such as AFwerX, UNLV, the Nevada Institute of Autonomous Sys-

tems (NIAS), the proposed Spaceport and others that exemplifies Southern Nevada's technical leadership as being synonymous with its outstanding innovations.

Southwest Chapter :

The Southwestern Regional Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association is a chapter supporting the defense industry across the States of Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah. This region is made up of 10 military communities, industry, government, academic, and research facilities.

Tennessee Valley Chapter :

NDIA-TVC supports the defense industrial base by executing conferences/symposia, program events, working group meetings, and training sessions which provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas between government and industry. We also invest in STEM education programs that are developing the talent needed in the current and future defense workforces.

Washington, DC Chapter :

The NDIA Washington, DC, Chapter supports the defense industrial base by executing Senior Defense Leader Forums which provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas between government and industry. With approximately 14,500 members, the Chapter consists of representatives from small business to large defense-related companies, government sectors (State, Federal, Military Services), and research and educational facilities. The Chapter's annual signature programs: ROTC Scholarship Program recognizes 14 cadets/midshipman from area ROTC Units as tomorrow's leaders with financial scholarships. Swing for Freedom Golf Invitational benefiting USO-Metro which raises money for the USO-Metro and its local programs in the Baltimore and Washington, DC, Metropolitan area. The year concludes with a Holiday Networking Social.

West Virginia Chapter :

Supporting national security by growing and enhancing the defense industry and federal contracting in West Virginia through networking, collaboration, and increasing opportunities for business development. Support national security by growing and enhancing the defense industry and federal contracting in West Virginia through networking, collaboration, and increasing opportunities for business development.

Wright Brothers Regional Chapter :

The Chapter provides industry support to the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) research, acquisition, and sustainment organizations wherever we can make a difference. We are dedicated to developing and maintaining a close working relationship between industry and government in supporting national interests.

Vision

NDIA is the trusted leader among Defense and National Security Associations.

Mission

To promote the best policies, practices, products, and technology for warfighters and others who ensure the safety and security of our nation

Values

Principles: Common Ethical Principles and Practices ~ NDIA members should aspire to the following ethical principles and make every effort to implement the following practices:

Trust: Advance national security by promoting trust among the defense industry, our government customers, the U.S. public, and our men and women in uniform. Strengthen the integrity of a federal procurement system that encourages competition, rewards technical innovation, and ensures that American fighters have the decisive advantage both on the battlefield and wherever else our nation's enemies may be found.

Ethical Readiness: Operate our businesses from a foundation of ethical readiness where economic pursuits do not overtake our responsibility to our soldiers, sailors, marines, and airmen while acknowledging that America's technological and military preeminence are sustained by promoting the financial health of the defense sector.

Best Practices: Contribute to the common good of our industry and promote industry ethics whenever and wherever possible by sharing best practices in ethics and business conduct among NDIA members and including ethics training in NDIA sponsored events.

Effectiveness: Implement effective ethics programs for company activities at home or abroad. When contemplating any international sale to a governmental or quasi-governmental buyer, it is imperative that effective measures be undertaken to ensure full compliance not only with the letter but also the spirit of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, as amended, and the FCPA's bar against improper payments to foreign officials.

Oversight: Establish effective mechanisms of control over employees and agents operating overseas to promote ethical conduct based upon principles, not geographic location.

Compliance: Protect U.S. national security when performing contracts with foreign parties by committing to compliance with U.S. export control licensing regimes, and with all anti-boycott and embargo requirements.

Integrity: Establish corporate integrity as a business asset rather than a requirement to satisfy regulators by making ethics integral to all aspects of corporate life and culture, creating an environment in which employees aspire to do the right thing.

Self-Governance: Recognize that self-governance is key to management's commitment to abide by ethical standards. Accordingly, charge Corporate Boards with the responsibility of creating an environment in which ethical conduct is the order of the day, including the development and implementation of a corporate-level procedure/process to review company best practices, policies, and procedures that govern ethics.

Commitment: Demonstrate the company and its leadership's commitment to ethics by making the Chief Executive the top ethics officer.

Formality: Implement a formal company ethics program that includes a written code of conduct to communicate institutional values and expectations while guiding employees and management in their decisions and conduct.

Training: Organize training programs as an integral component of company ethics programs to commit employees to the company's written code of conduct, encourage them to discern the difference between right and wrong, and act on that knowledge despite pressures to compromise standards.

Reporting: Establish and communicate procedures for employees to identify and report suspected violations of the code of ethics without fear of retribution, establish mechanisms to promptly and effectively communicate violations to the government, and promote full cooperation with government investigations.

Remediation: Establish written remedial measures for prompt and appropriate corrective action, including disciplinary measures, where instances of unethical conduct are discovered.

1. Defense Industrial Base

Champion issues that contribute to the strength, resiliency, and capacity of the defense industrial base

1.1. Regulation & Acquisition

Gain Acquisition Agility & Regulatory Efficiency

1.2. Innovation

Promote Innovation in Technology & Process

1.3. Small Businesses

Foster Small Business Success

Stakeholder(s):

Small Businesses

1.4. DIB & Workforce

Strengthen the DIB & Workforce

Stakeholder(s):

DIB Workforce

2. Community

Build a vigorous, responsive, and collaborative community in support of Defense and National Security

2.1. Budget Stability

Advance Budget Stability

2.2. Cooperation & Interoperability

Expand International Security Cooperation & Interoperability

3. Forums

Convene legal and ethical forums for the exchange of ideas, information, view points, and capabilities

3.1. Dialogue, Education & Interaction

Engage in dialogue, education, and interaction with Congress and Executive agencies

Policy Issues ~ NDIA works to strengthen the government-industry partnership through dialogue, education, and interaction with Congress and Executive agencies. Through its Policy team, NDIA monitors, advances, and educates its members on legislative and regulatory activity of importance to the defense industrial base. NDIA is also part of several industry working groups and coalitions that meet periodically to coordinate the defense and government contracting communities' position on specific issues.

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