Army Office of Small Business Programs Seminar
Annual Meeting of the Association of the United States Army
13-14 October 2026 | Room 201 | Walter E. Washington Convention Center

Small Business Seminar

TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2026

9:00am – 9:05am **Welcome and Administrative Remarks**
Ms. Pamela Monroe | Army Office of Small Business Programs

9:05am – 9:30am **Army Office of Small Business Programs Opening**
Ms. Pamela Callicutt | Acting Director, Army Office of Small Business Programs

9:30am – 10:00am **Small Business Administration Remarks**
Mr. Ryan Lambert | Associate Administrator, Office of Government Contracting and Business Development | Small Business Administration
Mr. Ryan Lambert will provide senior-level insights on the Small Business Administration's priorities and ongoing efforts to support small businesses engaged in federal contracting.

10:00am – 10:30am **Growing the Defense Industrial Base Through Small Business**
Mr. James R. Mismash | Deputy Assistant Secretary of War for Industrial Base Growth | Office of Industrial Base Growth
Defense readiness begins well before a system reaches the field. It depends on innovative companies, scalable production, resilient supply chains, and a broader, more competitive industrial base. DASW James Mismash will discuss how small businesses can help meet this moment -- and how the Department is reducing barriers to entry, expanding access, and creating more and clearer pathways for new and nontraditional companies to compete, grow, and contribute to defense readiness.

10:30am – 11:00am **Project Spectrum: Cybersecurity Resources for Small Businesses**
Mr. Kareem Sykes | Director of Industry & Engagement
Attendees will learn about Project Spectrum's no-cost assessments, training, expert guidance and technical resources designed to help businesses identify vulnerabilities, prioritize remediation, strengthen operational resilience and build a pathway toward compliance and continued participation in the Defense Industrial Base.

11:00am – 12:00pm **Fireside Chat with Army Portfolio Acquisition Executives (PAEs)**

Moderator: *Ms. Gayna Malcolm-Packnett* | Army Office of Small Business Programs
Hear directly from representatives of the Army Portfolio Acquisition Executives as they discuss their organizational structure and key priorities. This conversation will offer insights into the Army acquisition landscape and assist small businesses in identifying opportunities where their capabilities align with Army needs.
Panelists:
Major General Sean P. Davis
Deputy PAE, Agile, Sustainment & Ammunition
Brigadier General Christine Beeler
PME, Simulation, Training, Test & Threat (ST3) Representing PAE C2/CC2
Brigadier General Kevin S. Chaney
Deputy PAE for Integration, Maneuver Air
Mr. Darryl Colvin | PAE, Army Layered Protection & Integration
PAE, Layered Protection& Integration (LP&I)
Ms. Misty Glover | Representative, Army FIRES
Deputy PM, IntegratedFires Mission CommandRepresenting PAE Fires
Mr. John Jolokai | Representative, Army's Maneuver Ground
Executive Director, ArmyContracting Command–Detroit Arsenal

12:00pm – 1:30pm **Lunch (on your own)**

1:30pm – 2:45pm **Army Pathway for Innovation and Technology**
This session offers small businesses a clear view into how the Army discovers, tests, and adopts innovative solutions through the Pathway for Innovation and Technology (PIT). PIT panelists will share priorities, upcoming opportunities, and practical ways non-traditional firms can plug into Army innovation efforts and accelerate their path to partnership.
Moderator: *Ms. Gayna Malcolm-Packnett* | Army Office of Small Business Programs
Panelists:
Mr. Russ Cummings | Army Applications Laboratory, Executive Director
COL Shermoan Daiyaan | Pathway for Innovation and Technology, Director
COL Christopher Hill | Global Tactical Edge Acquisition Directorate, Director
COL Tom Monaghan | Army Operational Acquisition Detachments, Director
Dr. Matthew Willis | Army FUZE Director

2:45pm – 3:15pm **Legislative and Regulatory Update**
Ms. Kunmi Ageh, Esq | Small Business Administration
This session will provide an overview of current and pending legislative and regulatory changes that affect SBA regulations and small business government contracting. This session is divided into four parts. The first part will cover relevant congressional bills and recent laws. The second part will highlight

recent executive actions related to government contracting. The third part will review recent SBA regulatory changes and announcements. The final part will provide a brief overview of the Revolutionary FAR Overhaul.

3:15pm – 4:30pm **Defense Contract Audit Agency Small Business Resources**
Ms. Amanda Reed | Program Manager (DCAA)
This session will demystify the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the critical set of rules governing how the U.S. Federal Government purchases goods and services. We will explore the purpose of the FAR—to ensure consistency, promote fair competition, and maintain public trust—and discuss the significant impact of the recent "Revolutionary FAR Overhaul" initiated by Executive Order 14275. Attendees will gain a clear understanding of who must comply with these regulations, from prime contractors to lower-tier subcontractors, and the serious consequences of non-compliance.

4:30pm – 4:45pm **Closing Remarks**
Ms. Pamela Callicutt | Acting Director, Army Office of Small Business Programs

Matchmaking

WEDNESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2026

09:30-10:45 Matchmaking Session A

10:45-11:00 Break

11:00-12:30 Matchmaking Session B

12:30-14:00 *Lunch (on your own)*

14:00-15:00 Matchmaking Session C

15:00-15:15 Break

15:15-16:30 Matchmaking Session D

**** You must check-in at least 10 minutes before your scheduled meeting time.***