



## GSA/DoD Partnership - What's New

In an all-DoD memorandum of January 18, 2008, Mr. Shay Assad, Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, encourages the use of non-DoD contracts and the services of assisting agencies to meet DoD requirements. In the same memo, Mr. Assad cites only two websites for policy links, training opportunities, and other relevant information on Interagency Acquisitions, DoD's own Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy site, and GSA's website at [www.gsa.gov/dod](http://www.gsa.gov/dod), entitled DoD/GSA Partnership.

### *Did you know?*

- GSA has partnered with DoD and its service organizations since its creation in the 1940's. Working with GSA's procurement experts saves time needed by DoD to concentrate on mission critical procurements, such as those that may be associated with Operation Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.
- DoD and GSA procurement leaders collaborate on a monthly basis to ensure that GSA acquisitions go smoothly and comply with all DoD policy and federal regulations. GSA has pre-awarded contracts, selecting the most technically acceptable and cost effective solutions available on the market today. Using GSA ensures procurements that are fast, reliable, and Section 803 compliant. We can also help DoD achieve its Small Business set aside goals, saving time and valuable resources.
- GSA offers the Veterans Technology Service (VETS) GWAC, Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) contracts, which the Under Secretary of Defense strongly endorsed in a memo dated July 12, 2007. The VETS GWAC enables DoD to purchase integrated technology solutions from small businesses owned by service-disabled veterans. It is the result of Executive Order 13360.
- DoD and GSA have been acquisition partners for more than 60 years! Our relationship has stood the test of time. We stand fast today, ready to continue our tradition of providing excellent acquisition services that are efficient and cost effective and provide best value to DoD and to the American taxpayer.