

# Overview of DTIC Information Analysis Centers (IACs)

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# Overview of DTIC's Information Analysis Centers (IACs)

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- Improve productivity of Researchers, Engineers, and Program Managers in the Defense Research, Development, and Acquisition Communities by collecting, analyzing, synthesizing, and disseminating worldwide STI in clearly defined, specialized fields or subject areas
- Promote standardization within their respective fields by:
  - Providing in-depth analysis
  - Creating products
  - Responding to technical inquiries
  - Performing technology assessments
  - Supporting exchanges of information among Scientists, Engineers, and practitioners of various disciplines

Chartered – DoD Directive 3200.12 Guided – DODINST 3200.14, May 13,1997





## IACs are hosted by industry and academia

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<u>IAC</u>	<u>Domain</u>	<u>Host</u>
AMMTIAC	Advanced Materials, Manufacturing & Testing	Alion Science & Technology
CBRNIAC	Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear Defense	Battelle
CPIAC	Chemical Propulsion	Johns Hopkins University
DACS	Data and Analysis Center for Software	ІТТ
IATAC	Information Assurance	Booz Allen Hamilton
MSIAC	Modeling & Simulation	Alion Science & Technology
RIAC	Reliability	Wyle Labs
SENSIAC	Sensor Technology	Georgia Tech Research Inst
SURVIAC	Survivability/Vulnerability	Booz Allen Hamilton
WSTIAC	Weapons Systems Technology	Alion Science & Technology

#### http://iac.dtic.mil





# ...and are part of a broader team that includes government and industry

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DDR&E Sets policy for the IACs





# IACs serve as a bridge between government, industry, and academia

- IACs collaborate with scientists and other SMEs around the globe
  - IACs collaborate with a diverse group of experts, including the Unified COCOMs, Defense research laboratories, U.S. Intelligence organizations, as well as engineers, physicists, biologists, medical professionals, and other experts from various government organizations (DHS, CDC, NASA) and private industry
- IACs integrate with government program managers and technical experts to maintain awareness, relevance, and value to emerging issues
  - IAC Executive Steering Committees are co-chaired by IAC PM and senior technical lead
    - E.g., CBRNIAC ESC co-chaired by DATSD(CBD/CDP) with members including JPEO-CBD, DTRA, OSTP, Joint Staff, military services, OSD-Health Affairs, OUSD(P), DHS, HHS, DOE and others





IAC teams leverage the best from industry (large and SB) and academia to solve the government's toughest problems

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#### Prime:





Center for Reliability Engineering

- Global leader in R&M education (>170 degrees)
- •Leading researcher in R&M and packaging

•Center for Technology Risk Studies

•CALCE Center

•Leader in Software & Human, & Process Reliability



Sub (BCO):

#### Applied Research Lab

•Leader in System Health Monitoring, Condition Based Maintenance & Prognostics

- Institute for Manufacturing & Sustainment Technology (iMAST)
- Materials Research Institute
- Center for Logistics Research
- Center for Supply Chain Research

**RIAC** Home at SUNYIT



SUNY Institute of Technology

- Local expertise to improve RIAC IT/KM infrastructure
- "Gateway" to NYS RMQSIrelated research
- Help in obtaining NYS
   support for RIAC
- Cost effective local facility for RIAC







## IAC Program: Processes Integrating Core and TATs to Re-use STI

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## IAC Program: Processes Collection

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#### Key Processes

- Monitor and extract STI from worldwide, industry, engineering, technical and scientific, and other information sources
  - Employ technology and innovative techniques
  - Utilize personnel experienced in research, analysis, and synthesis
    - IACs have research librarians on staff, with extensive experience in specific technology area (e.g., CBRN)
  - Maintain awareness through participation in conferences, symposia, workshops, and through ESC coordination
- •Review and evaluate STI for relevance and accuracy

## <u>Outputs</u>

- Library collection
- Databases
- IAC website
- Evaluated STI



### **Benefits**

- Ready resource for responding to customer needs
- Saves resources by precluding organizations expending their own resources for work already completed elsewhere
- Readily available, searchable STI in a usable format



## Information Collection SURVIAC's Joint Combat Database

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- Direct connection with end users
- Immediate tactical relevance
- Immediate impact on Warfighter



## IAC Program: Processes Processing & Management

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#### Key Processes

- Analysis and synthesis of STI
  - Existing / historical information
  - Worldwide current technology information
- Maintenance of library collection
  - Contract deliverables / technical reports / STI
  - Hardcopy library
  - Softcopy library / database
  - Various classifications (Unclassified, FOUO, SECRET)
- Archive of historical web data

#### <u>Outputs</u>

- Libraries
- Information Support System
  - Customer list
  - Product list and history
  - Customer feedback data
- SME Database
- TEMS (IAC STI database)

Collect F Processe e Core IAC Operations Analyze Disseminate Current Products Training Inquiries Consulting Awareness Technical Area Tasks (TATs) Subscription Accounts **Customer Projects** 

### **Benefits**

- Pay once, use many
- Quick answers and recommendations for getting to resources to solve tough problems
- Synthesis of STI increases efficiency of researchers and facilitates development of lessons learned and best practices



## TEMS Document Digitization and Search Engine

- Total Electronic Migration System: IAC
   Program Search Engine for STI
  - Digital archive of historical STI, safe from degradation
    - Two versions: Unclassified & SECRET
  - Instant access to full online collection of IAC knowledge base
  - Current status: over 1.2 million citations and 360,000 full text documents (all searchable)



- IAC PMO guiding principle: strategic resource utilization to make the most valuable documents available to consumers first
  - All IACs have prioritized holdings; efforts focused on most valuable STI
  - Scanning strategy provides additional 90,000+ documents each year
  - Monthly metrics track expenditures versus uploads
  - Web analytics track users and downloads
  - <u>Bottom line</u>: get STI into users' hands



## IAC Program: Processes Analysis

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#### Key Processes

• In response to known and anticipated needs, create STI products and offer STI technical advisory services

- Conduct gap analyses and fill gaps in the knowledge base by:
  - Synthesizing existing information; and
  - Conducting basic and applied research
- Provide cost-effective, timely and efficient analysis services in response to customer needs
  - Extract data to produce products; synthesize information to produce knowledge
  - Maintain existing tools; develop new tools & techniques

### <u>Outputs</u>

- Reports (CR/TAs, SOARs)
- Databases, handbooks
- Models, Simulations
- Inquiry responses
- New/improved tools & techniques



## **Benefits**

- Turns data into information and ultimately knowledge
- Gets questions answered fast
- Leverages experts from the broader technical community
- Identifies areas requiring additional analysis (TATs)
   *Information for the Defense Community*



## Information Analysis Technical Inquiry Process





## IAC Program: Processes Dissemination

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#### Key Processes

- Disseminate STI in paper and electronic format, as well as providing technical advice, based on subject matter expertise
  - Draw on library holdings and other databases
  - Compile and disseminate newsletters, journals, articles
  - Prepare briefings and conference presentations
  - Develop educational materials and provide training programs



### **Benefits**

- IAC website
- Products (models, databases)
- Education resources & training
- Inquiry responses, consulting
- Community outreach and awareness (newsletters, calendars, conferences)

- Facilitates information sharing, best practices, standards, etc.
- Shared situational awareness across the respective IAC communities
- Helps synchronize respective IAC communities



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## Information Dissemination IAC Products

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- IACs work collaboratively to leverage the best and brightest to tackle cross-domain challenges
  - Examples of joint IAC products include the System Reliability Toolkit handbook (RIAC & DACS), the Software Security Assurance SOAR (DACS & IATAC), and Power & Energy Journal Issue (AMMTIAC & WSTIAC)
- IAC products draw on existing information resources
  - IACs offer consolidated databases, enhancements on existing tools, and refined techniques
- IACs also develop new/custom products, based on awareness of gaps in the knowledge base
  - IACs maintain awareness of emerging requirements through:
    - Executive Steering Committee
    - Participation in focus groups and committees
    - Attendance at conferences
    - Collaboration with government, academia, and industry





## IAC Program: Processes Customer-Funded Projects

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#### Key Processes

- Conduct in-depth research and analysis, based on emerging customer requirements
  - Maintain awareness of emerging requirements through integration with the technical community
  - Anticipate requirements through research and trends analysis
  - Collect and incorporate customer feedback
  - Provide cost-effective solutions that capitalize on existing information and synthesize the knowledge base



## **Benefits**

- <u>Outputs</u>
- Research & analysis
- Technical evaluations
- Reports, databases, tools
- Cutting edge techniques
- Cost-effective solutions

- Leverages experts from across the technical community: government, industry, and academia
- Identifies and solves the most challenging technical problems
- Enables collaboration between researchers and PMs/ COCOMS, to provide timely and relevant support
- Promotes cutting edge concepts to reduce cost and risk



## IAC Support for IED Defeat

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- Leverage a network to defeat a network
- Deployment of information & technology based solutions in a matter of days, not years or decades



#### IEDs with CB components

 Developing case and lab analysis system for IED component tracking



#### Supporting JIEDDO to enable rapid, reliable, interoperable response to IED threats

 24-hour turn-around from threat ID to countermeasure deployment



Responds to Tech Inquiries re: blast effects, structural survivability



- IED defeat and capability gap analysis
- Assess survivability / vulnerability of current force



- Detection and defeat technologies
- Development, evaluation and fielding of detection equipment
- Detonator classification



# MRAP: Improving Reliability & Survivability, Reducing Cost

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- Survivability technology assessment on MRAP, including Long Term Armor Strategy & Walter Reed injury data
  - Assess crew effects, survivability measured, and blast mitigation



- MRAP vehicle reliability improvement program
  - Performing Reliability Centered Maintenance Evaluations on each variant on the fleet of vehicles, system by system, to optimize maintenance and sustainment of the fleet
  - So far, RCM actions identified will result in \$22 million in reduced materials and a 7 million reduction in man-hours



Leverages M&S tools and knowledge to field technical inquiries on MRAP





## IAC Contributions to Improving Helo Survivability

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- Reachback analysis for DDR&E task force on Helicopter Survivability
  - Provided linkage to SMEs within DoD and Other Government Agencies
  - Identified existing technical information to contribute to rapid analysis
  - Collaborated with SURVIAC to provide M&S specific toolsets to assist in evaluating the problem



#### Broad-based ISR support contributing to helicopter survivability

- Training on sensor systems, IR, and flare development and usage
- Warning sensors development and enhancement
- Flare optimization
- Rapid reprogramming for Aircraft Survivability Equipment









## • Developed and maintains Combat Damage Incident Reporting System, in support of JASP, JCAT, and ASDAT

- Data repository used by forward deployed JCAT/ASDAT assessors to upload and manage aircraft incident damage/loss reports in Iraq and Afghanistan
- Used to support helicopter survivability studies, assess performance of Aircraft Survivability Equipment, and current and future threat predictions

#### • Contributed to Rotorcraft Survivability Study as part of DoD Future Vertical Lift Capabilities Based Assessment

 Congressional Rotorcraft Caucus concern; team to outline joint approach for future development of vertical lift aircraft for all military services



## IAC Contract Construct Significant Policy Changes

- 2008 National Defense Authorization Act, Section 843
  - Limitations on single award contracts
    - No single award IDIQ contracts exceeding \$100M w/o Head of Agency written approval
    - IAC contracts will not be able to obtain exemption
  - Enhanced competition for orders in excess of \$5M
    - Provide all offerors "fair opportunity" to be considered
- Nearly all IAC contracts over the \$100M threshold
- Way forward: Separating the Core services from the TATs
  - Separate PWS and Acquisition for each IAC's Core/BCO contract
  - Consolidation of IAC focus areas into a multiple-award IDIQ contract construct for TATs (see next slide)
    - Addition of new focus areas to highlight emerging requirements





## IAC Program Way-Ahead Revised Contract Construct

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<b>Current Structure</b>	Core & TATS	Core & TATS		Core & TATS	Core & TATS	Core & TATS	
Single-award IDIQ contract for all requirements for each IAC	MSIAC Core & TATS	RIAC Core & TATS		SENSIAC Core & TATS	SURVIAC Core & TATS	WSTIAC Core & TATS	
<b>Way-Ahead</b> Single-award contract for the	AMMTIAC Core	AMMTIAC CBI Core (		CPIAC Core	DACS Core	IATAC Core	
IAC Core requirements	MSIAC Core	RIAC Core		SENSIAC Core	SURVIAC Core	WSTIAC Core	
Multiple-award IDIO	SNIM TATs		Defense Systems TATs		Homeland Defense TATs		
contracts for TATs	Software Analysis		Weapons Systems		Homeland Security & Defense		
	Information Assura	nformation Assurance		vivability	Critical Infrastructure Protection		
	Information Shari	Information Sharing		nerability	Weapons of Mass Destruction		
Some existing coverage	Knowledge Manager	nent	RMQSI		CBRN Defense		
New Area for IACs	Modeling & Simula	tion	Directed Energy		Biometrics		
	DACS, IATAC, MSIA	IC .	Non-kinetic Energy		Medical		
		Adv: WSTIA		ced Materials	Cultura	al Studies	
CPIAC & SENSIAC				SURVIAC, RIAC,	Advanced Sources of Energy		
IAIS (IBD)			AWIWTIAC		CBRNIAC, SURVIAC, AMMTIAC		



## IAC Program: Processes Same Mission, New Construct





## IAC Contract Construct Ensuring a Smooth Transition

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- Initiatives underway to better serve customers under the new contract structure
  - IAC Strategic Plan (soon-to-be-released) ensures alignment with DDR&E strategic direction & emerging requirements
    - Focus on leveraging IACs to directly contribute to Warfighter (quick, agile, responsive)
    - Multiple award contracts will leverage additional resources from industry and academia
  - IAC Acquisition Management System (IAMS) broken into 3 components:
    - Defense Agencies Initiative (DAI) will provide financial tracking and customer reporting data
    - IAC Web Portal updates
      - Information on program, IACs, contract vehicles: task order process, templates,
      - Requirement Management System will enable customers to quickly find an appropriate IAC vehicle to address their most urgent needs
    - IAC Program business process changes
      - Collaboration with industry, academia, and government stakeholders to:
        - » Baseline current processes
        - » Identify best practices
        - » Enhance processes to reduce cost, increase results

<u>Bottom line</u>: work on contract quickly with minimal time/effort required by customers





## IAC Value Proposition Continuing the Mission under a New Contract Construct

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- IACs provide <u>tactical relevance</u> via direct connection to the Warfighter & <u>strategic value</u> through long term trend analysis & recommendations
  - Answer immediate need requirements driven by the Warfighter and support infrastructure – immediate impact
    - State-of-the-Art Reports provide detailed analysis of immediate critical challenges
      - E.g., IATAC SSA SOAR (500,000 copies distributed; used in 5 universities)
  - Capture end product and other STI gathered during research
    - Made available to authorized users, via TEMS online database (full text)
    - Used in answering subsequent technical inquiries, and for additional research, trend analysis, and recommendations to the acquisition community

       E.g., SURVIAC's Joint Combat Database
- IACs serve as case study for implementing DDR&E strategic imperatives
  - IACs are fully integrated into technical community
    - Leverage experts from across government, industry, academia
  - IAC Program ensuring alignment with DDR&E imperatives
    - Several existing initiatives underway at Program level, plus IAC customerfunded work



## IAC Value Proposition Supporting DDR&E Imperatives

- 1. Accelerate delivery of technical capabilities to win the current fight.
  - IACs are enhancing collaboration with COCOMs through initiatives such as MSIAC's M&S needs assessment for PACOM & NORTHCOM
    - IAC Program goal to increase work for COCOMs by additional 25% in FY10
- 2. Prepare for an uncertain future.
  - IAC efforts to counter and enable strategic surprise (e.g., CBRNIAC infrastructure risk assessment for DHS)
- 3. Reduce the cost, acquisition time and risk of our major defense acquisition programs.
  - IACs enable immediate access to the most relevant STI, getting the right information when and where it is needed to reduce cost/risk (e.g., MRAP RCM effort at RIAC)
- 4. Develop world class science, technology, engineering, and mathematics capabilities for the DoD and the Nation.
  - IACs <u>are</u> industry and academia; work closely with DoD labs; inspiring young people to pursue S&T careers (e.g., SENSIAC is hosted by Georgia Tech; ONR initiative to use students to simulate threat / test of sensing systems)





- IACs provide critical support to <u>warfighters</u> & acquisition community
- IACs provide an important means to <u>integrate</u> across DoD, the federal government, industry, and academia
- IACs help <u>synchronize and standardize</u> their respective communities
- IACs solve problems and <u>save</u> <u>resources</u> more broadly through STI reuse
- IAC PMO mobilizing resources to anticipate and meet customers' <u>emerging requirements</u>





# Building partnerships for success...

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#### What can the IACs do for you?

- Enhance your performance & solve tough problems
  - Access information
  - Answer technical inquiries
  - Provide in-depth analysis
  - · Identify cost-conscious solutions
- Help synchronize and standardize efforts across DoD, the federal government, industry, and academia
- Save resources more broadly through STI reuse

#### • What can you do for the IACs?

- Register with DTIC and become an authorized user
  - Go to: <u>http://www.dtic.mil/dtic/registration/</u>
- Register with an IAC to become a SME
  - Contact the individual IAC
- Submit your research for inclusion into IAC STI database
  - Contact the individual IAC
- Submit technical articles for publication in IAC newsletters
  - Contact the individual IAC
- Become knowledgeable of IAC products and services, and put them to use



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