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BIDDING FAREWELL TO A 25 YEAR INSTITUTION

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Mr. Victor Hernandez (R), PEO EIS program management director, presents Mr. Hari Bezwada (L) with a certificate of retirement at the ceremony on Jan 28

The end of January marked the end of an era with the retirement of **PEO EIS Chief Information Officer (CIO) Mr. Hari Bezwada**. Mr. Bezwada capped off a 25 year Army career filled with unparalleled accomplishments that took him from Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, to the Pentagon and Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He had served as the PEO EIS CIO since November 2010.

An Individual of the Year in Federal Government designee, a DOD Distinguished Civilian and an Army Distinguished Civilian Award winner, a Computer World Premier 100 winner and a two time Fed 100 winner, Mr. Bezwada is

well known in government IT circles for an unwavering commitment to innovation, building relationships between unlikely partners and strong negotiating to get Soldiers the best IT solutions at the best price.

Ms. Terry Watson, PEO EIS, called Mr. Bezwada “the best CIO that the Army has to offer,” saying, “The projects and initiatives Hari championed and accomplished have changed the way the Army and DOD does IT business and significantly contributed to the excellent reputation of PEO EIS.”



Mr. Manish Patel



Mr. Hari Bezwada stands with his children, Mr. Shiva Bezwada and Ms. Arathi Bezwada, and wife, Ms. Rajkumari Bezwada, and Mr. Victor Hernandez at the ceremony



Mr. Hari Bezwada

Mr. Bezwada is **one of the visionaries behind the Army's network modernization effort**. His work with the CIO/G-6, Defense Information Systems Agency and Network Enterprise Technology Command made the joint regional security stack concept today's reality. He made extensive progress in moving the Army closer to the cloud and was a staunch advocate for an increased mobile presence. He set PEO EIS on a course to make that mobility work by ensuring that the infrastructure is prepared, improving the WiFi to reach the user areas and moving traditional desktop applications to a mobile environment.

Upon Mr. Bezwada's retirement, the CIO mission has been left in the capable hands of his deputy, **Mr. Manish Patel**. As fellow Rutgers alumni, Mr. Bezwada and Mr. Patel share a passion for **connecting the global Army through innovative IT solutions** to support every Soldier, every day. Mr. Patel will lead the team of extraordinary civilians and contractors in partnership with Army stakeholders and vendors to ensure uninterrupted capabilities to the Soldier.



Mr. Hari Bezwada and BG Randy Taylor

"Manish brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the organization. This is a critical position in PEO EIS and his expertise will ensure he hits the ground running as we continue to provide premier support," said Ms. Watson.

Congratulations to Mr. Bezwada on an outstanding Army career and 25 years of unwavering commitment to the mission.

IT MODERNIZATION EFFORTS AT CARLISLE BARRACKS & FORT GORDON

By: Mr. Alberto Dominguez, Assistant Product Manager, I3MP

Installation Information Infrastructure Modernization Program (I3MP) successfully completed the delivery of two state-of-the-art IT capability modernization efforts at **Carlisle Barracks** in Pennsylvania and **Fort Gordon**, Georgia. The Carlisle Barracks project was an \$8 million effort which was completed on Sept. 30, 2015, and the Fort Gordon project was a \$17 million effort which was completed on Nov. 4, 2015.

The I3MP program builds network capacity that simplifies and standardizes installation campus area networks and provides a foundational infrastructure to standardize and modernize the Army for many years to come. The success of the Carlisle Barracks and Fort Gordon efforts is largely due to a partnership between the Army Contracting Command – Rock Island, Army Information Systems Engineering Command, each post's network enterprise centers and industry partners.

The **Carlisle Barracks project was a unique challenge** as it required particular specifications and other considerations to modernize the buildings due to the fact that they are on the National Register of Historic Places. Fort Gordon is a large **multi-mission, multi-service military installation** providing base services and support across a wide spectrum of training, operational and Soldier sustainment needs. Each installation required modernization of their end user building switches, including 23,000 users at Fort Gordon alone. Renovations for both installations involved providing Voice over Internet Protocol capability to more than 7,000 users **to create robust and scalable network information infrastructure** improvements of more than 12,000 feet of fiber optic cable, concrete encasements and duct connecting new and existing maintenance holes. I3MP concluded each project with a close-out and award ceremony.



LTC Gus Muller (R) presents Mr. Arthur Crossley (L) with a certificate of appreciation at the Carlisle Barracks close-out ceremony



LTC Muller (R) presents Mr. Christopher La Brec (L) with a certificate of appreciation at the Fort Gordon close-out ceremony

PDM P2E TRAVELS TO KOREA

By: Ms. Rosalie Fehrmann, P2E Strategic Communications Specialist

Power Projection Enablers (P2E) Product Manager (PdM) **LTC Gregory Soulé** traveled to **Yongsan, South Korea**, in early December to attend the rehearsal of concept (ROC) drill of the **Yongsan Relocation Plan/Land Partnership Plan (YRP/LPP)**. LTC Soulé’s trip supported Korean stakeholders and he joined hundreds of other military personnel, civilians and industry partners in observation of members of the **United States Forces Korea**. While there, LTC Soulé discussed the status of the YRP/LPP projects and reviewed the progress of relocating U.S. forces from **U.S. Army Garrison (USAG) Yongsan** and surrounding U.S. military bases to **USAG Humphreys**.



L to R: Mr. Tony Moles, COL Roberson, LTC Soulé and Mr. Eric Albert at the 311th Signal Brigade Command Office in Yongsan, South Korea

LTC Soulé also met individually with **COL Don Willadsen**, U.S. Army co-chair, Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence Joint Working Group; **COL Arvesta Roberson**, U.S. Army, 1st Signal Brigade; and members of the **2nd Infantry Division** to discuss the projects, additional requirements and funding issues for the Joint Information Environment and the Pacific Network Modernization initiative.

Upon completing his travels, LTC Soulé remarked, “The meetings were very successful for all parties. It gave me a chance to meet the stakeholders face to face and show each partner that I am invested in making this transition as smooth as possible. This trip was very productive, not just for the stakeholders, but also for P2E personnel stationed in Korea. I was able to use the time in between stakeholder engagements to meet with the Korea team and participate in their holiday festivities. These types of events are very beneficial for the product manager and our valued team members that are stationed abroad.”

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AFCEA Aberdeen Monthly Luncheon, Belcamp, MD

15 FEBRUARY

Washington’s Birthday

17-18 FEBRUARY

Federal Networks, Sheraton Tysons Hotel

23 FEBRUARY

PM Collab, Fort Belvoir

26 FEBRUARY

AFCEA CMD “Leveraging Army Contracting Vehicles”, Hanover, MD

RCAS

ASSUMPTION OF CHARTER

By: Mr. Pete Van Schagen, RCAS Communications

Mr. Sajjan (Saj) M. George was introduced as the new acting product lead (PL) for Reserve Component Automation Systems (RCAS) during an Assumption of Charter ceremony hosted by Mr. Michael Padden, Installation Information Infrastructure Communications and Capabilities (I3C2) project manager, Jan. 11, 2016, at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. The outgoing RCAS PL, Mr. Ralph Ocasio, departed after a distinguished tenure, and received a Superior Civilian Service Award and other recognition during the ceremony. Mr. Ocasio will be the new deputy project manager for I3C2.

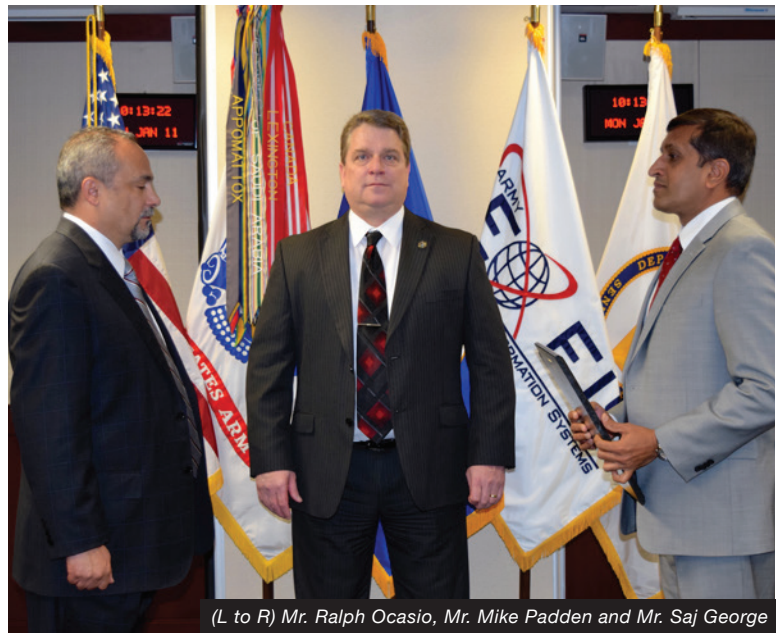
Mr. George assumes his new position after serving as the RCAS deputy product lead since December 2014. He has more than 20 years of active duty service in the U.S. Army and retired as a lieutenant colonel. Mr. George previously served in a variety of leadership roles, including as deputy director of sustainment directorate at General Fund Enterprise Business System, deputy chief information officer/G6 of the Army National Guard (ARNG) headquarters, branch chief of information technology program management and program objective memorandum development officer for the ARNG G6. He served one combat tour in Iraq as the deputy of the Joint Acquisition Review Board and the Multi-National Corps Budget Execution Office. Mr. George's military awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal and Army Achievement Medal.



Mr. Mike Padden (L) and Mr. Saj George (R) at the Assumption of Charter ceremony



Mr. Mike Padden (L) and Mr. Ralph Ocasio (R)



(L to R) Mr. Ralph Ocasio, Mr. Mike Padden and Mr. Saj George



CELEBRATING **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

FEBRUARY 15, 2016



EC LAUNCHES APPLICATION MIGRATION **PRE-ASSESSMENT TOOL**

By: Ms. Shevaun J.L. McGlone, ES Communications

The **Army Application Migration Business Office (AAMBO)** has streamlined the data collection phase of the application migration process for the Army's enterprise capability owners by launching the **Army Application Migration Pre-Assessment Tool (AAMPT)**. AAMPT is a common access card-enabled online resource that supports data collection used in migration planning for Army enterprise applications. **All enterprise capability owners are required to complete migration** to Department of Defense-approved enterprise environments (DoDAEEs) by the 2018 fiscal year. AAMPT will be used to support migration planning for the Army's inventory of enterprise applications, currently estimated to exceed 10,000.

Army Application Migration Pre-Assessment Tool (AAMPT)

The Army Application Migration Pre-Assessment Tool is the first step in the Army's system/application migration process.

AAMPT Features

- *Built on ADCCP Tracking Tool back end: import applications from ADCCP TT*
- *Simple user interface*
- *Used during Phases 1 and 2 of the Migration Process*
- *Streamlines data collection for migration candidate systems and applications*
- *Eliminates Preliminary Application Assessment Form and Application Discovery Template*
- *Engineering Analysis begins after complete data is collected: fewer follow up requests*



My Applications



Add New Application



Import Application

Begin the migration process today!
Start using AAMPT at <http://go.usa.gov/caN9d>

When owners submit system information through AAMPT, AAMBO gathers and analyzes requirements based on established assessment criteria, generates re-hosting recommendations and prepares cost estimates for hosting in the new enterprise environment. "For a community accustomed to frequent requests for information using clunky spreadsheets, email and stove-piped collaboration tools, AAMPT's simple and intuitive web interface makes reporting practically painless," said **Ms. Johanna Curry**, AAMBO project officer. Prior to the tool's launch, application and system owners were required to complete a four-page form and email it to AAMBO to kick off migration planning. As reporting requirements have expanded with the refinement of the Army's migration process, follow-up requests for new and updated information were a frustrating feature of the previous process.

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Army Application Migration Pre-assessment Tool

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Application Migration Process

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Process Overview Contact Us

The Army Application Migration Pre-assessment Tool **MUST NOT be used to enter SIPRNET systems/applications. To submit SIPRNET systems/applications contact the Army Application Migration Business Office.**

<p>Policy Policy and memorandums that guide Army Application Migration. View details ></p>	<p>Process Overview of the six phase Army Application Migration Process. View details ></p>	<p>Assessment Information on the Processing Tool and the assessment phase of the process. View details ></p>	<p>Migration Additional guidance on AAMBO's role in support of the migration effort. View details ></p>
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AAMPT coaches capability owners through on-screen help to accurately report data, shortens AAMBO's response time to capability owners and reduces follow-up requests for missing and outdated information. In addition, AAMPT is a single landing page where the community can find current Army migration policy, guidance and lessons learned. Support for AAMPT users is provided in-house by AAMBO's subject matter experts. "AAMPT is the type of transparent, collaborative tool we need in order to assist owners planning migration events from their current hosting platforms to DoDAEEs with limited interruptions," said **Mr. Keith Baylor**, acting product lead for Enterprise Computing.

Visit AAMPT online to begin the migration planning process at <http://go.usa.gov/caN9d>.