

DSA NEWS BRIEFS

DSA Welcomes New FAB Member

DSA continues to attract a wide range of prominent advisors, recently welcoming former Army Program Executive Officer for EIS, Mr. Kevin Carroll, to our Federal Advisory Board. Kevin's illustrious career with the Army spans three decades, and we look forward to his advice and expertise as we continue our steady growth over the coming years. Federal Advisory Board members assist in reviewing DSA's strategic business plans and help develop ways to improve technology delivery to the Federal government. For more information on the DSA Federal Advisory Board, please visit our web site at www.dsainc.com.



Kevin Carroll

PEO C3T Data Center Migration

The DSA team completed the task of migrating the Team C4ISR Knowledge Center applications away from their long time home at Ft. Monmouth, NJ, to bucolic Radford, VA. Over the course of just a few months, all Team C4ISR and JPEO-CBD Knowledge Center applications, including Single Interface to the Field (SIF), CryptoMod, Unit Set Fielding (USF), Software Blocking, Blue Force Tracking, Sametime, Quickplace and many more, were consolidated from sixty servers down to twenty, with a storage area network and blade servers, and relocated to their new home at ALTESS in Radford. It was essential during this period to keep PEO-C3T and Army support programs for over 20,000 users fully operational, no easy task. Personal thanks and recognition from PEO-C3T CIO Emerson Keslar to the entire DSA team for their dedication and technical proficiency made the hard work and extra hours all the more worthwhile.

DSA CECOM LCMC Acquisition Center Team Scores Big!

At the end of September, DSA successfully bid and won two new contracts through the Strategic Services Sourcing (S3) contract vehicle, under the direction of the CECOM Acquisition Center at Fort Monmouth, NJ. These two new contracts expand the team supporting the ongoing development and support of the Acquisition Center E-Tools initiative, which encompasses a variety of contracting applications strictly dedicated to enabling contracting personnel to support the Warfighter.

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In related efforts, the Project Contract Folder (PCF) application was accepted as the Army enterprise solution for the processing and storage of contracting related documentation. With this acceptance, if funding is received, the CECOM LCMC will be distributing the PCF application to approximately 350 sites throughout the world.

The PCF Army Approval could lead to additional contracts being awarded that may

provide additional funding to DSA for existing and new resources to aid in the efforts. This would enable DSA to also develop and deploy an enhanced version of the Acquisition Source Selection Interactive Support Tool (ASSIST).

In addition, the Acquisition Resource Center (ARC), which includes the Business Intelligence (BI) efforts that currently manage over \$60 billion in awarded actions, was accepted by Army Material Command (AMC) as the enterprise solution for all contracting activity within the Army.

The BI group uses Business Objects, a reporting solution that enables contracting personnel to manage workload, track education, and allocate resources appropriately. Additional staffing will likely be required once funding approval is finalized and awarded.

The start to the fiscal year has been a great one for the DSA team at the Acquisition Center. Due to the knowledge, dedication and professionalism of this group, DSA will continue to enjoy great success at CECOM LCMC.



Andrew Levine

Golf Foursome Defends Title and Supports a Great Cause

Led by DSA VP Bill Jones, the foursome pictured here successfully defended its title at the 15th Annual AFCEA/USO Golf Classic at Lansdowne, VA. Over \$118,000 was raised for USO-Metro programs and services at this year's event, setting a new record. States Jones, "As a sponsor of this event, DSA is proud to support this worthy cause. We plan to successfully defend our title once more next year." Proceeds from the tournament help the USO support those that put their lives on the line every day for our way of life.



Pictured left to right: Bill Jones, DSA; Juan Santiago, Defense Information Systems Agency; Doug Wagoner, SAIC; and Pat Wills, Defense Acquisition University.

President's Message



2008 signifies a major milestone for DSA as we celebrate our 45th anniversary. Since our founding in 1963, DSA has taken a leadership role in a variety of IT initiatives.

In our early years, we focused on software development for major U.S. defense contracts and international projects, both commercial and government.

Since then, DSA has expanded its service offerings to include information assurance, collaboration and information sharing, program management, knowledge management, network engineering and integration, and business support services.

Last year, we reorganized in order to better support our future growth, enhance



interoffice collaboration, and leverage our resources. Existing contracts were significantly expanded, and new customers were added. Inc. Magazine recognized DSA as one of the fastest growing companies in the U.S.

As we usher in our 45th year, we are poised for an exciting period of increased growth and we eagerly look forward to the challenges to come.

Wishing you the best for 2008,

Fran Pierce

Collaboration Solution to be Used to Extend DISA's Net-Centric Enterprise Services (NCES) Framework

Recently, the US Army's Program Executive Office for Command, Control and Communications Tactical (PEO C3T), based out of Fort Monmouth, NJ and supported by DSA, partnered with the US Army's Program Executive Office for Enterprise Information System's (PEO EIS) Program Manager Acquisition Business Future Business System (FBS) Program to establish a federated collaboration enclave based on the Defense Information Systems Agency's (DISA) Program Manager for Net-Centric Enterprise Services (NCES) to support the needs of the Army Acquisition Domain.



Kathleen Kirk

This effort is intended to extend DISA's NCES framework to meet Acquisition Domain

requirements, while remaining fully federated with the core collaboration services offered under NCES. Program Manager Acquisition Business has been chartered to provide information technology solutions to the Army's Acquisition Domain, which consists of all organizations within the Army that perform system acquisition functions (i.e., PEOs, scientific and technical communities, contracting organizations).

The Army Acquisition Domain is championed by LTG N. Ross Thompson and governed by the Army's Acquisition Domain Governance Board, which is composed of various senior leaders within the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)) and the Army Material Command (AMC). It also uses a PEO/AMC Chief Information Officer (AMC/PEO CIO) Executive Board to identify and validate requirements that reside in the Acquisition Domain.

NCES core and extended capabilities in collaboration have been identified, approved and programmed as part of Acquisition

"This project represents a significant and important collaboration between DSA operating units, and signals our increasing commitment to strategic cross-company efforts."

Fran Pierce, CEO and President

Business' Increment 1 Future Business System framework, including IBM Sametime, Adobe Connect, and Jabber. The PEO C3T Chief Knowledge Office has agreed with PM Acquisition Business to take the lead in rolling

out these services to the Acquisition Domain. The DSA Collaboration effort is led by Kathleen Kirk, and supported by two DSA offices. Team members from DSA include Mike Donovan, Mike Enea, Eric Kastner, Henning Lorenz, Rick Melki, Bill Sargent, and Ken Wenger.

The NCES enclave solution provides many benefits for the Army Acquisition Community. The solution provides for the migration of the large existing Army Sametime user community toward the NCES enterprise solution. It allows for integrated communication across the Acquisition Community, fully assimilated with the DISA core user base. It also fulfills the immediate need for tactical Army Force Generation (ARFORGEN) support. It allows for

integration into existing platforms and portals that exist today throughout the Acquisition Domain, leverages the AKO/DKO directory, and allows for local group management. In addition, it permits Common Access Card (CAC) and SSO authentication, and provides integration with Microsoft Outlook and existing SharePoint implementations. The enclave also supports Acquisition organizations being transitioned as the result of the BRAC.

TELLING DSA'S STORY

- ▶ AFCEA Homeland Security 2008, *Booth 612*, February 27-28, Ronald Reagan International Trade Center, Washington, DC
- ▶ AFCEA Belvoir / PEO-EIS Industry Day, *Booth 608*, April 16-18, Gaylord National Conference Center, National Harbor, MD
- ▶ DISA Customer Partnership Conference 2008, May 5-9, Disney's Coronado Springs Resort and Convention Center, Orlando, FL
- ▶ DSA President Fran Pierce was appointed as Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors for the International Eye Foundation. This is her second term on the IEF Board of Directors.
- ▶ Fran Pierce was appointed to Rowan University's Dean's Advisory Council for the College of Engineering, serving as liaison to the Dean of Engineering and the business community.

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