

**STRATEGIC DETERRENT COALITION SYMPOSIUM**  
*“Sustaining and Growing a Vital Resource: People – the backbone of Strategic Deterrence”*

May 7-8, 2018

**Location:** Shreveport Convention Center  
400 Caddo Street, Shreveport, LA 71101  
Phone: (318) 841-4000

**Dress:** Reception: Business Casual / Symposium: Business Suit or Uniform of the Day

**Monday, May 7**

**1700 – 1900**                    **Registration/Reception**  
Dress: Business Casual  
Menu: Chilled Spiced Shrimp / Chef’s Oyster Bar / Beef and Pork Loin Carving Station /  
Assorted Vegetables / Assorted Fruit / Open Bar  
Sponsor: Orbital ATK

**Tuesday, May 8**

**0700 – 0800**                    **Registration and Continental Breakfast**  
Dress: Business Suit  
Menu: Seasonal Fruit / Danish, Muffins, Biscuits / Eggs / Grits / Bacon / Sausage Links /  
Coffee / Tea / Milk  
Sponsor: BAE Systems

**0800 – 0810**                    **Patriotic Opening and Administrative Announcements**  
Speaker: Mr. Lamberth Blalock, Executive Director, Strategic Deterrent Coalition (SDC)  
National Anthem: United States Air Force Band of the West – Freedom Brass  
Presentation of Colors: Barksdale AFB Honor Guard

**0810 – 0820**                    **Welcome and Recognition of SDC Board Members and Board of Regents**  
Speaker: Mr. Joe Scallorns, President, SDC

**0820 – 0830**                    **Air Force Global Strike Command Welcome**  
Speaker: General Robin Rand, Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command (AFGSC)

**0830 – 0910**                    **Keynote Address**  
Speaker: Lt General Gina M. Grosso, Deputy Chief of Staff, Manpower, Personnel and Services  
Headquarters United States Air Force  
Introduction: Murray Viser, Barksdale Forward

**0910 – 0955**                    **Academia: Creating the Future Strategic Deterrent Workforce**  
Panel: Dr. Leslie Guice, President, Louisiana Tech University  
Dr. Ted Harshberger, Vice President & Director, RAND Project Air Force  
Dr. Gary Joiner, Chair, Dept of History & Social Sciences, Louisiana St. Univ (Shreveport)  
Moderator: Robert J. “Bob” Elder, Lt Gen (USAF Ret)  
Introduction: Mr. Bruce Christianson, Task Force 21, Minot, ND.

**0955 – 1015**                    **Break**  
Menu: Granola Bars / Fresh Fruit / Soft Drinks, Water, Coffee and Tea  
Sponsor: Lockheed Martin, Missile & Fire Control

**1015 – 1110**

**National Nuclear Security Administration -- Nuclear Enterprise Perspectives**

Panel: Mr. Benjy Grover, Deputy Division Leader, Design Physics Division, LLNL  
Mr. Mark Rosenthal, Director, Weapons Design and Assurance, SNL  
Dr. Leslie Sherrill, Deputy Group Leader, Primary Physics Group, LANL  
Moderator: Dr. Greg Simonson, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL)  
Introduction: Mr. Bruce Christianson, Task Force 21, Minot, ND.

**1110 – 1145**

**Attracting Talent to the Nation's Nuclear Enterprise**

Speaker: Ms. Rebecca Hersman, Director, Project on Nuclear Issues, and Senior Advisor  
International Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)  
Introduction: Mr. Rick Hartle, Utah Defense Alliance and 2018 SDC Symposium Chair

**1145 – 1215**

**Break**

**1215 – 1315**

**Lunch**

Speaker: Major General Garrett Harencak, Commander, Air Force Recruiting Service  
Introduction: Mr. Norm Tew, The Boeing Company  
Menu: Chef Salad / Crab Stuffed Flounder / Potato Puree / Cherry Tomato / Key Lime Pie  
Sponsor: The Boeing Company

**1315 – 1330**

**Break**

**1330 – 1400**

**International Views on the Strategic Deterrent Workforce**

Panel: Mr Iain King, Defence Counsellor, Policy & Nuclear, British Embassy, Wash DC  
Mr. Dirk P. Deverill, Political-Military Advisor, AFGSC  
Moderator: Brigadier General Gentry Boswell, AFGSC/A3/A6  
Introduction: Mr. Greg Blair, Abilene Military Affairs Group, Abilene, TX

**1400 – 1510**

**Developing and Retaining the World's Best Strategic Deterrence Human Capital**

Panel: Ms. Carol Erikson, Vice President, Northrop Grumman  
Mr. Norm Tew, Vice President, The Boeing Company  
Mr. Kent Rominger, Vice President, Orbital ATK  
Mr. John Snyder, VP Air Force Systems, Lockheed Martin  
Mr. Randy Tymofichuk, Director, BAE Systems  
Ms. Lisa Finneran, Vice President, General Dynamics  
Moderator: Mr. Rick Hartle, Utah Defense Alliance, Ogden, UT.  
Introduction: Mr. Lamberth Blalock, Executive Director, SDC

**1510 – 1525**

**Break**

Menu: Fresh Baked Cookies / Fresh Fruit / Soft Drinks, Water, Coffee and Tea Service  
Sponsor: MOOG

**1525 – 1600**

**Human Capital Initiatives within the DoD Nuclear Enterprise**

Speakers: CAPT Patrick Croley, Missile Branch Head, Navy Strategic Systems Programs  
Colonel Donna M.G. Pike (Lisa), Director, Manpower, Personnel & Services, AFGSC  
Mr. Rich Mihalik, Director A10, Air Education and Training Command  
Moderator: C. Donald Alston, Maj Gen (USAF Ret), Director, SDC Board of Regents  
Introduction: Mr. Lamberth Blalock, Executive Director, SDC

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**1600 – 1640**

### **Numbered Air Force Perspective**

Speaker: Major General Thomas A. Bussiere, Commander, 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force

Major General Fred Stoss, Commander, 20<sup>th</sup> Air Force

Introduction: Mr. Jim Smith, Whiteman Area Leadership Council, Warrensburg, MO.

**1640 – 1700**

### **SDC Awards, Acknowledgements, and Wrap-up**

Speaker: Mr. Joe Scallorns, President, SDC

**1700 – 1800**

### **Evening Reception**

Menu: Spinach Artichoke Tarts / Mini Quiche / Meat & Crawfish Pies / Wrapped Scallops /  
Assorted Vegetables / Assorted Fruit / Open Bar

Sponsor: Lockheed Martin

**1800 – 2000**

### **Dinner**

Speaker: General Robin Rand, USAF, Commander, AFGSC

Introduction: Ms. Carol Erickson, Vice President and Corporate Executive, Northrop Grumman

Menu: Crawfish Bisque / Grilled Sirloin / Asparagus / Yukon Potatoes / Bourbon Pecan Pie

Sponsor: Northrop Grumman Corporation