





## DEFSAT CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION, 7-9 FEBRUARY 2024 – MANEKSHAW CENTRE DELHI CANTT, NEW DELHI THREE DAYS CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Start	End	Duration	Description			
	Day One: Wed 7-Feb 2024					
9: 00	9:30	0:30	Registration			
			GI01: Inaugural Session:			
			Welcome Address: Dr Subba Rao Pavuluri, President SIA-India			
			Thematic Address: AVM Sanjay Bhatnagar VM VSM (Retd), Offcg Director, CENJOWS			
			Defence Space Address: Lt Gen PJS Pannu, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Chairman Space Committee on Defence, SIA-India			
9:30	10:45	1:15	Special Address: Padma Shree Dr Shailesh Nayak, Director NIAS, Former Secretary Ministry of Earth Science			
			Special Guest Message: Shri S Somanath, Secretary DOS & Chairman ISRO			
			Special Address: His Excellency, Australia's High Commissioner to India, Mr Philip Green			
			Inaugural Address: General Anil Chauhan, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM, VSM, Chief of Defence Staff			
			Vote of Thanks: Anil Prakash, Director General, SIA-India			
10:45	11:30	0:45	Exhibition Open at RXN and Networking Tea Break			
			GI02: Panel Discussion   Meshed Intelligence: Multi-sensor Payloads and Analytical Platforms			
		1:10	Engage in in-depth conversations about Military Remote Sensing, covering topics such as advanced payloads, Data Fusion, AI			
			integration, Edge AI applications, and the groundbreaking concept of Multi payload Spacecrafts. Join us as experts unravel the			
			ELINT intricacies and strategic implications, offering a comprehensive view of the synergies shaping the future landscape of			
	12.40		military intelligence and surveillance technologies.			
11.30			Chair & Moderator: Dr Radhadevi, Director ADRIN-ISRO			
11.50			Panellists:			
			Mr Damodaran Ramn, Director, Deloitte Consulting			
			Mr Suyash Singh, Chief Executive Officer, Galaxeye Space			
			Mr Akash Yalagach, CTO, KaleidEO			
			Mr Kannan Kesavapillai, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Augsense Labs			
			Mr Gurvinder Chohan, Chief Executive Officer, QSTC Inc			
12:40	13:55	1:15	Networking Lunch			
	15:05	1:10	GI03: Panel Discussion   C5I2STAR2-Space enabled Precision and deep battles			
13:55			Explore the nuances of remote sensing tailored to diverse military branches, addressing the convergence of Earth Observation			
			Sensors for ISR and Positioning, Navigation, and Timing (PNT), communication, and data for precision battles. Uncover the			
			critical role of these technologies in tactical decision-making on the battlefield, providing a comprehensive understanding of			







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			how precision and deep battles are orchestrated through cutting-edge C5I2STAR2 strategies.
			Chair & Moderator: Air Marshal Anil Chopra, PVSM, AVSM, VM, VSM (Retd), DG CAPS
			Panellists:
			Air Cmde Abhijit Tokekar VM, Comdt. DIPAC, Head Quarters, IDS
			Dr Rituraj Kumar, Director CAIR, DRDO
			Prof Brejesh Lall, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
			Mr Anurag Garg, Head of Strategy – India, Thales
			Col Amandeep Singh, Specialist, Indian Army
			Capt Nitin Cariappa, Directorate of Naval Intelligence
			GI04: Panel Discussion   Collaborative Frontiers: Synergising the Defence Innovation Ecosystem
			Uncover valuable lessons that will shape the future landscape of defence innovation initiatives, fostering collaboration and
			pushing the boundaries of technological advancements in national security. Explore insights from the groundbreaking IDEX
			75 challenges, a monumental leap in defence innovation offering crucial lessons for shaping future initiatives at the
			intersection of academia, defence, and entrepreneurship.
	16:15	1:10	Chair & Moderator: Maj Gen C S Mann, VSM, Additional DG, Army Design Bureau
15:05			Panellists:
13.03	10.13	1.10	• Lt. Col Sanjay Mahala, Program Director, Defence Innovation Organisation*
			Mr Anagh Singh, Assistant Vice President, Invest India O/o PSA to GOI
			Air Commodore Atul Anand, Directorate of Aerospace Design, IAF
			Cmde T Ajit, WESEE
			Cmde Arun P Golaya, OiC, Technology Development Acceleration Cell, NIIO
			Dr Roshan Srivastava, Director, Technology Innovation Hub, IIT Tirupati
			Prof Manan Suri, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
16:15	16:45	0:30	Networking Tea Break
			GI05: Panel Discussion   Redefining Aerospace – Near Space and Space Sovereignty
			Explore the cutting-edge developments shaping the future of warfare as experts converge to decode the evolving landscape of
			air and space dynamics. Engage with experts as they delve into crucial topics, including ISR and operations in near space, the
16:45	17:55	1:10	complexities of space, challenges in manufacturing assets for near space, and strategies for seamlessly integrating all domains.
			Networking and stitching seamless Outer Space, Near Space and Air Domains. Discussing autonomous systems HAPS, Drones
			and innovative solutions.
			Chair & Moderator: Air Marshal GS Bedi, AVSM, VM, VSM (Retd) Former DG (FIS)







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			Panellists:
			Air Vice Marshal D V Khot (Retd), Former DSA and Fellow CAPS
			Mr Pawan Kakkar, Managing Director, Jugapro India Private Limited
			Gp Capt TH Anand Rao, Senior Fellow, CAPS
			Mr. Sameer Joshi, Chief Executive Officer, Newspace Research & Technologies
17:55	18:00	0:05	GI06: Closing Remarks: Mr Ravi Ailawadhi, Board Member, SIA-India
	End of Day 1 of the Conference and Exhibition		







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	Day Two: Thu – 8 Feb 2024					
9:00	9:30	0:30	Registration			
			GI07: Inaugural Session			
			Welcome Address: Dr Subba Rao Pavuluri, President SIA-India			
9:30	10:30	1:00	Industry Address: Mr Deepak Mathur, Executive Vice President, SES Inc.			
9.30			Special Address: Dr Samir V Kamat, Secretary DDR&D and Chairman DRDO			
			Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest: Lt. Gen Gurmit Singh, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Hon. Governor of Uttarakhand			
			Vote of Thanks: Lt Gen PJS Pannu, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Chairman Space Committee on Defence, SIA-India			
10:30	11:00	0:30	Networking Tea Break			
			GIO8: IndSpace Exercise: Industrial Space Wargame - An interactive tabletop exercise, utilizing simulated scenarios, that			
			assesses the space industry's readiness. It's the second in a series with active participation from the Services, MoD, ISRO, DRDO,			
			INSPACe, NSIL, NDMA, Niti Aayog, Industry, Startups, and Academia. The evaluation includes key factors like resources, logistics,			
			action sequences, and phase durations. Defence practitioners and stakeholders collaborate to identify crucial industrialized			
		2:30	solutions, disruptive innovations, and space capabilities vital for India's national security in simulated scenarios.			
			Chair: Lt. Gen Vinod G. Khandare, (Retd) Principal Advisor, MOD			
11.00	13.30		Conduct and Moderation: Lt Gen PJS Pannu, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Chairman Space Committee on Defence, SIA-India			
			Thought Leadership:			
			• Vice Admiral Pradeep Chauhan, AVSM**VSM (Retd), Director General, NMF			
			• Air Marshal Anil Chopra, PVSM, AVSM, VM, VSM (Retd), DG CAPS			
			• Lt Gen Dushyant Singh PVSM AVSM, Director General, CLAWS			
			AVM Sanjay Bhatnagar VM VSM (Retd), Offcg Director, CENJOWS			
			Dr P K Jain, Director-PMAD, INSPACe			
13:30	14:45	1:15	Networking Lunch			
		1:10	GI09: Panel Discussion   Smart Satellites for Defence: Balancing Robustness, SWAP and Flexible Design & Manufacturing			
			Join us for an enlightening discussion on how the convergence of technology and manufacturing is revolutionizing the landscape			
14:45	15:55		of military satellite systems and bolstering national security. Explore the intricate interplay between robustness, Size, Weight,			
17.73			and Power (SWAP), and innovative manufacturing practices. Our expert panellists will dissect the latest breakthroughs shaping			
			defence satellites, emphasizing the pivotal role of flexible design and advanced manufacturing.			
			<u>Chair &amp; Moderator:</u> Vice Admiral Pradeep Chauhan, AVSM**VSM (Retd), Director General NMF			







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			Keynote Address: Mr Sudheer Kumar, Director CBPO, ISRO HQ		
			Panellists:		
			Mr Arpan Sahoo, COO, KaleidEO		
			Mr Sanjay Nekkanti, Chief Executive Officer, Dhruva Space		
			Mr Rupesh G, Chief Executive Officer, XDLinx Labs		
			Mr Gurvinder Chohan, Chief Executive Officer, QSTC Inc		
15:55	16:25	0:30	Networking Tea Break		
			GI10: Panel Discussion   Acquisition Process for Military-Grade Space Assets		
		1:10	The acquisition process for military-grade space assets involves a meticulous journey encompassing research, development,		
			qualification and testing phases. This multifaceted approach encompasses cutting-edge technology, strategic planning, and		
			industry experts collaborating to align this process to the agility desired for defence space requirements. The aim is to secure		
			state-of-the-art space assets, enhancing national security and readiness in the dynamic realm of outer space.		
			Chair: Lt Gen (Dr) Subrata Saha, PVSM, UYSM, YSM, VSM** (Retd), Member NSAB		
16:25	17:35		Moderator: AVM Rajiva Ranjan VM, ACAS OPS Space		
			Panellists:		
			Col Manik Anand, Aerospace Sys Division, Dept of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence		
			Col. Kuber Kandalai, E&Y		
			Mr Arvind Khare, Senior Fellow, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses		
			Mr Arpan Sahoo, COO, KaleidEO		
			Mr Vinod Kaul, RVP South and South-East Asia, Gilat Satellite Networks		
			Wg Cdr Satyam Kushwaha, Director, ISpA		
17:35	18:00	0:25	GI11: Closing Plenary Day 2		
1,.55		0.23	Closing Remarks: Mr DS Govindrajan, Board Member, SIA-India		
	End of Day 2 of the Conference and Exhibition				







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	Day Three: Fri 9-Feb 2024				
9:00	9:30	0:30	Registration		
			GI12: Inaugural Session		
			Welcome Address: Dr Subba Rao Pavuluri, President SIA-India		
			Special Address: Dr PK Jain, Director, PMAD, IN-SPACe		
9:30	10:30	1:00	Special Address: Mr Mahaveer Singhvi IFS, Joint Secretary, New Emerging and Strategic Technologies (NEST)*		
			Special Address: Air Vice Marshal Pawan Kumar, VM, Director General, Defence Space Agency (DSA)		
			Inaugural Address: Dr Ajay Kumar, Former Secretary Ministry of Defence		
			Vote of Thanks: Mr Sudhir Gupta, Former Secretary TRAI and Board Member SIA-India		
10:30	11:00	00:30	Networking Tea Break		
			GI13: Panel Discussion   Space warfare: Space Deterrence and Space Domination.		
			Gain insights into safeguarding our interests in the ever-evolving landscape of space security. Engage with experts as they		
			delve into critical topics such as Space Situational Awareness (SSA), Space Domain Awareness (SDA), threat assessment, and		
			mitigation through redundancies. Discover the strategic importance of agile launch capabilities and the role of Rendezvous		
			Proximity Operations (RPO) and On-Orbit Servicing, Assembly, and Manufacturing (OSAM) in ensuring space dominance.		
			Chair & Moderator: Air Vice Marshal Pawan Kumar, VM, Director General, Defence Space Agency (DSA)		
11:00	12:00	1:00	Panellists:		
			• Dr Bulbul Mukherjee, General Manager (Data Synthesis and Modelling), SSOM, ISTRAC, ISRO		
			Air Cmde Savinder P Singh, Sr Fellow, Centre for Air Power Studies (CAPS)		
			• Air Cmde Terry Van Haren DSM, Retd., Managing Director, LeoLabs Australia		
			Mr Tushar Jadhav, Chief Executive Officer, Manastu Space		
			Mr Sakthi Kumar R, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, OrbitAid Aerospace Pvt Ltd.		
			Mr Tanveer Ahmed, Co-Founder, Digantara		
			GI14: Panel Discussion   Comms Strategies for Modern Military Operations under contested and EW environment.		
	13:00	1:00	Join our expert panel as they delve into the intricacies of multi-domain communication, addressing challenges such as		
			cybersecurity, threat mitigation, spectrum requirements and the critical decision between dedicated and leased satcom		
12:00			capacity. Gain insights into navigating the complex intersection of emerging technology like SDR and warfare, ensuring effective		
			communication in the face of evolving EW threats.		
			Chair & Moderator: Maj Gen Manjeet Singh SM, Joint Secretary, National Security Council Secretariat		
			Panellists:		
			• Sri Y Purushotam, Scientist G, Defence Electronic Research Laboratory (DERL), DRDO		







			Mr. Rajshekhar Pullabhatla, Director, Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ISAC)
			Mr Shivaji Chatterjee, President and Managing Director - Hughes Communications India Private Limited
			Dr V Seshagiri Rao, Advisor AVANTEL, Former Associate Director, ISRO
			Mr. Sai Krishna, CEO, Saptang Labs
13:00	14:15	1:15	Networking Lunch Break
14:15	15:15	1:00	GI15: Panel Discussion   Managing space control, information and Mosaic C2 enabled by effective ground infrastructure.  Explore the pivotal role of earth stations, and user terminals across land, sea, and air domains. Delve into the evolving landscape of satellite communications for insights into the cutting-edge technologies including optical links shaping the ground segment's crucial role in orchestrating seamless, mobile and secure 'space-based operations'.  Chair & Moderator: Lt Gen PJS Pannu, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Chairman Space Committee on Defence, SIA-India Panellists:  Lt Gen Karanbir Brar, General Officer Commanding (GOC), Dakshin Bharat Area  Mr Gautam Sharma, Managing Director, Viasat India  Mr Pawan Kalra, General Manager, Business Development, Viking Optimum Solutions  Mr Subhajit Chakraborty, Head of Business Development, Astrogate Labs  Mr. Christopher McIntosh, CEO, Methera Global [Virtual]  Mr. Akshay Singh, MD, EVIGWAY Technologies
15.15	15:45	0:30	Networking Tea Break
15:45	16:45	1:00	GI16: Industry Roundtable   Catalysing National Industrial Capabilities for Space and Defence Esteemed representatives from large enterprises and DPSU will share insights on navigating regulatory landscapes, fostering innovation, and addressing technological hurdles. Discover strategies and visionary perspectives that include the Defence industry corridors in shaping the future of national space capabilities. Engage in a thought-provoking dialogue that illuminates the path towards a robust and sustainable space industry, driving economic growth and technological advancement on a national scale.  Chair & Moderator: Air Chief Marshal R K S Bhadauria PVSM AVSM VM ADC (Retd), Head, UP Defence Corridor Panellists:  Dr Subba Rao Pavuluri, Chairman & MD, Ananth Technologies Pvt Ltd  Mr. Vedaprakash G, Head Business Development & Govt. Relations, TASL  Mr Vikas Khitha, Vice President & Head, Corporate Office, Delhi, L&T Defence  Mr Samit Ray, Dy. Vice President South Asia Government Affairs, Raytheon Technologies Corporation  Col Rajneesh Singh (Retd), Research Fellow, Manohar Parrikar IDSA
16:45	17:45	1:00	GI17: Panel Discussion   Policies, Doctrines, and Strategies for Securing India's Security Interests
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			Distinguished experts will delve into the nuanced landscape of policy formulation, strategic frameworks, and doctrines
			essential for ensuring the nation's security in space. From orbital challenges to geopolitical considerations, gain profound
			insights into the measures required to fortify India's position in the cosmic frontier. Join us for a compelling discourse on the
			multifaceted dimensions of securing India's space interests through astute policies, doctrines, and strategic foresight.
			Chair & Moderator: Lt Gen Ajay K Chandele, PVSM, AVSM (Retd), Chairman, Geospatial World Chamber of Commerce
			Panellists:
			Mr Vinay Paliwal, INSPACe
			Dr Ranjana Kaul, Partner, Dua Associates & Space Law Expert
			Cmde Jaspreet S Shergill NM, Former Executive Director, NMF
			Capt K. K. Agnihotri (Retd IN), Sr. Fellow, National Maritime Foundation
			Dr Aparaajita Pandey, Asst. Professor, Amity Institute of Defence & Strategic Studies (AIDSS)
			GI18: Closing Session
			Dr Subba Rao Pavuluri, President SIA-India
17:45	18:15	00:30	• Lt Gen PJS Pannu, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Chairman Space Committee on Defence, SIA-India
			AVM Sanjay Bhatnagar VM VSM (Retd), Offcg Director, CENJOWS
			Mr Pawan Kapur, Board Member, SIA-India
End of Day 3 of the Conference and Exhibition			