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(The conference agenda for The National HBCU/MI Conference is subject to change)

**Monday, February 2, 2009**

11:00 am - 8:00 pm **Conference Registration and Information Desk** **Windsor Ballroom Foyer**

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm **Networking Reception**

**Guest Speaker:**

**Mr. John H. James, Jr.**, Executive Director, Logistics, Maintenance and Industrial Operations, Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), US Department of the Navy

**Tuesday, February 3, 2009**

7:00 am - 5:00 pm **Conference Registration and Information Desk** **Windsor Ballroom Foyer**

7:00 am - 8:00 am **Continental Breakfast** **Windsor Ballroom Foyer**

8:00 am - 8:30 am **Opening Ceremonies**

**Joint ROTC Cadet Honor Guard – Representing Morehouse College, Spelman College and Clark Atlanta University**

- Presentation of the Colors
- National Anthem
- Pledge of Allegiance

**Welcome Address**

**Mr. Gregory Pridgeon**, Chief of Staff for Mayor, City of Atlanta

8:30 am - 8:40 am **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- **Ms. Tracey L. Pinson**, Director, Office of Small Business Programs, U.S. Department of the Army
- **Ms. Evelyn Kent**, Director, Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions Program, Defense Research and Engineering, Office of Secretary of Defense

8:40 am - 9:00 am **Keynote Address**

**Mr. Thomas Dortch**, President, TWD, Inc.

9:00 am - 10:15 am **General Session**

- **Dr. Walter Jones**, Executive Director, Office of Naval Research
- **Ms. Laura Adolfie**, Director, Defense STEM Education, Defense Research and Engineering
- **Dr. Chris Arney**, Chief, Mathematical Sciences Division, US Army Research Office

10:15 am - 10:30 am **AM Break**

10:30 am - 12:00 pm **General Session**

- **Ms. Patty Fox**, Contracting, Grants and Agreements Officer, US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM)
- **Mr. Edward Lee**, Deputy Chief, External Programs, US Department of the Air Force
- **Ms. Susan Nichols**, Program Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) Small Business Office

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm **Conference Luncheon**

**Guest Speaker:**

**MG Dennis Via**, Commanding General, Communication and Electronics Command (CECOM)

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm **Dr. George Ludwig**, Civilian Deputy to the Principal Assistant for Research and Technology, US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USA MRMC)

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm **Mr. Jeffrey Singleton**, Deputy Director for Research, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Acquisition, Logistics & Technology (AL&T)

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm **President's Presentations**

- **Dr. Curtis Charles**, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Fayetteville State University
- **Mr. Carlos Romero**, Associate Vice President for Research Administration, University of New Mexico

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm **PM Break**

3:15 pm - 5:00 pm **General Session**

## Partnering with Industry Panel

### Moderator:

**Dr. Dorothy Huston**, President and CEO, TMT Group, Inc.

### Panelists:

- **Dr. Josef Allen**, Scientist, Information Security Professional, Harris Corporation
- **Ms. Tiffany Bussey**, Director, Morehouse College Entrepreneurship Center
- **Dr. Daryush Ila**, Director, Alabama A&M University Research Institute
- **Mr. Oliver (Bo) Leslie**, Senior Principal Specialist, Supplier Diversity and HBCU/MI Program Manager, The Boeing Company
- **Mr. Tizoc Loza**, Corporate Project Manager for Mentor-Protégé and HBCU/MI Programs, Northrop Grumman

## Wednesday, February 4, 2009

7:00 am - 3:00 pm **Conference Registration and Information Desk** **Windsor Ballroom Foyer**

7:00 am - 8:00 am **Continental Breakfast** **Windsor Ballroom Foyer**

8:00 am - 12:00 pm **Training Session – How to Win Government Contracts**  
**Presented by SAIC**

- (8:00 am - 10:00 am) **Mr. Tony Sacco**, Vice President for Program Management, SAIC
  - Business Development Life Cycle
- (10:00 am - 11:30 am) **Mr. Mark McConnell**, Vice President for Business Development, SAIC
  - Pricing Strategies and Methodologies
- (11:30 Am - 12:00 pm) **Dr. Dorothy Huston**, President and CEO, TMT Group Inc.
  - Building Contracting Infrastructure

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm **Conference Luncheon**

**Vice Admiral Kevin M. McCoy**, Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), Department of the Navy

1:30 pm - 3:00 Pm **General Session**

**Moderator:**

**Dr. Leonard Haynes**, Executive Director, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

**Panelists:**

- **Dr. Denise Barnes**, Program Director, Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), National Science Foundation
- **Ms. Amanda Quinones**, Program Analyst, Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy
- **Ms. Jamie Scipio**, Program Analyst, Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy
- **Ms. Jacqueline A. Toussaint-Barker**, Chief, Electronics Exploration Branch, Sensors Directorate, Air Force Research Laboratory, Department of the Air Force

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm **PM Break**

3:15 pm - 5:00 pm **General Session**

**Moderator:**

**Dr. Anthony Junior**, Director, Naval HBCU/MI Program Office, Education Program Manager, Office of Naval Research

**Panelists:**

- **Dr. Moges Ayele**, Senior Liaison for Higher Education, Federal Highway Administration, US Department of Transportation (DoT)
- **Mr. Lee Rosenberg**, Director, Office of Small Business Programs (OSBP), Missile Defense Agency (MDA)
- **Ms. Cassandra Stuart**, Program Manager, HBCU/MI Programs, Oak Ridge National Laboratory