# The Challenges Ahead....

### The Environment

Ambitious Quadrennial Defense Review

• Top Line = ?

Augustine's Forecast (2050?)

Actual Performance

## **Setting Objectives**

Tactical Desires ("Non-Obtainium"?)

"Laws" of Physics

- Initiatives
  - Mainframe/PC/Blackberry/iPhone
  - GPS

#### What's the Potential Role of T&E?

Classically "After the Fact"

Temptation to Skip in Urgent Deployments

Report of the Committee on National Statistics

## Ensuring Success for the Weapons System Acquisition Reform Act

Tension with Urgency

Emphasis on Realism

Reinvigorating Systems Engineering

Can T&E be an Enabling Partner?