

**Continued Fuze Advancements amid a Global Pandemic** 

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### WHO WE ARE

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# **MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY FUZE SECTION**

### WHO WE ARE

The Munitions Technology Division works to maintain the open exchange of technical information among government and industry programs and technical managers. In addition, the Division identifies changes and trends in policy, guidance, and organizational functions that affect the development, production, maintenance, and demilitarization of munitions.

The Fuze Section aims to promote an open exchange of technical information among government and industry personnel, and to identify and address changes in standards, guidance, policy, and organizational functions that impact the development, production, and performance of fuzes.



# WELCOME TO THE 64TH ANNUAL FUZE CONFERENCE

On behalf of NDIA and the Fuze Conference Steering Committee, I would like to welcome you to NDIA's second virtual Fuze event: The 64th Annual Fuze Conference. This international conference brings together the work of top fuzing professionals from government, private industry, and academia, and provides an opportunity for the exchange of the latest research and development on fuzing—all with the common goal of improving

safety, capability, and reliability for our warfighters. We have a thrilling keynote scheduled and will keep the conference's signature science and technology sessions. Through the ongoing passionate work of the presenters, sponsors, exhibitor, and attendees of this conference as well as across our worldwide defense industry, new challenges will be overcome, resulting in safer, more reliable fuzes being fielded to our warfighters.

#### **Thomas Harward**

Chair, Fuze Committee, Munitions Technology Division, NDIA Engineering Fellow, Lead Technologist, and Chief Engineer, Raytheon Technologies

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

**TUESDAY, MAY 11** 

General Session 10:00 am – 12:15 pm

Networking Break 12:15 – 12:35 pm General Session 12:35 – 3:30 pm

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 12** 

General Session 10:00 am - 12:20 pm Networking Break 12:20 – 12:40 pm

General Session 12:40 – 3:40 pm



### **EVENT INFORMATION**

### **SURVEY AND** PARTICIPANT LIST

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### **TUESDAY, MAY 11**

10:00 – 10:05 am All times listed in EDT **OPENING AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS** 

**Thomas Harward** 

Engineering Fellow, Lead Technologist, and Chief Engineer, Raytheon Technologies

10:05 – 10:15 am NDIA OPENING REMARKS

MG James Boozer, USA (Ret)

Executive Vice President, National Defense Industrial Association

10:15 – 10:45 am KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Charles "Chuck" A. Kelly

Senior Munitions Analyst and Portfolio Manager, Office of the Secretary of Defense

10:50 – 11:15 am U.S. ARMY AVIATION & MISSILE CENTER S&T STRATEGY

Mark Etheridge

Electronics Engineer, Fuzing & Ignition Systems, Aviation & Missile Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

11:20 – 11:45 am U.S. NAVY S&T STRATEGY

John D. Hughes

Electronics Engineer, Weapons Division, Naval Air Warfare Center

11:50 am – 12:15 pm U.S. AIR FORCE S&T STRATEGY

George Jolly

Technical Advisor, Air Force Research Laboratory

12:15 – 12:35 pm **NETWORKING BREAK** 

12:35 – 12:55 pm DESIGN OF A TEST METHODOLOGY TO SIMULATE RAIN ENVIRONMENTS

Richard Johnson

Mechanical Engineer, Armaments Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

1:00 – 1:20 pm WIRELESS POWER TRANSMISSION AND COMMUNICATION

FOR REMOTE FUZING

Thomas Hartmann

Research & Development Engineer, Sandia National Laboratories

Ian Sobering

Senior Member, Technical Staff, Sandia National Laboratories

# 1:25 – 1:45 pm OPTICALLY CHARGING AND COMMUNICATING WITH AN ELECTRONIC ASSEMBLY

### Mark Onuigbo

Senior Member, Technical Staff, Sandia National Laboratories

### Thomas Hartmann

Research & Development Engineer, Sandia National Laboratories

### 1:50 – 2:10 pm HIGH SHOCK MODELING OF FUZE COMPONENTS

#### Chris Cao

Mechanical Engineer, Naval Surface Warfare Center - Indian Head Division

# 2:15 – 2:35 pm BINARY TRIAL AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS METHODS FOR ELECTRO-EXPLOSIVE DEVICE CHARACTERIZATION

### Ashley de Lotz

Senior Initiation Systems Engineer, Defence Ordnance Safety Group

#### Michael Hicks

Statistical & Mechanical Modelling & Simulation Specialist, Defence Ordnance Safety Group

# 2:40 – 3:00 pm DETONATION TRANSFER RELIABILITY – AXIAL AND ANGULAR ALIGNMENT EVALUATIONS USING A NEYER STATISTICAL SENSITIVITY APPROACH

### **David Pray**

Energetic Components Engineer, Excelitas Technologies

### 3:05 – 3:25 pm EXPLODING FOIL INITIATOR DEVELOPMENT

### David Pray

Energetic Components Engineer, Excelitas Technologies

### 3:25 – 3:30 pm CLOSING REMARKS

### **Thomas Harward**

Engineering Fellow, Lead Technologist, and Chief Engineer, Raytheon Technologies





### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 12**

10:00 – 10:05 am OPENING AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

**Thomas Harward** 

Engineering Fellow, Lead Technologist, and Chief Engineer, Raytheon Technologies

10:05 – 10:30 am U.S. ARMY ARMAMENTS CENTER S&T STRATEGY

Robert Alston

Electronics Engineer, Fuze Division, Armaments Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

10:35 – 11:00 am SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES CAPABILITIES AND MISSION

**Shane Curtis** 

Senior Staff Member, Sandia National Laboratories

11:05 – 11:30 am DOD JOINT FUZE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Lawrence Fan

Fuze Program Manager, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center – Indian Head Division

11:35 – 11:55 am SENSING FOR SMALL UNMANNED SYSTEMS

Caitlyn May

Sensing for Small Unmanned Systems, Naval Sea Systems Command,

Naval Surface Warfare Center - Indian Head Division

12:00 – 12:20 pm NOVEL 2ND ENVIRONMENT SENSOR FOR NEXT-GENERATION WEAPONS

Matthew Grubbs

Design Engineer, L3Harris, Fuzing and Ordnance Systems, Inc.

12:20 – 12:40 pm **NETWORKING BREAK** 

12:40 – 1:00 pm LOW VOLTAGE POLYMER MULTI-LAYER CAPACITOR

DEVELOPMENT AND CHARACTERIZATION

Joshua Dye

Electrical Engineer, Sandia National Laboratories

1:05 – 1:25 pm NEW FUZING SOLUTIONS FOR IMPROVED SAFETY AND

**OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES** 

Max Perrin

Chief Technical Officer, JUNGHANS Defence

### 1:30 – 1:50 pm CANNON CALIBER FUZE SETTER OVERVIEW

Tyler Wilson

Electronics Engineer, U.S. Army

### 1:55 – 2:15 pm HIGH VOLTAGE FIRESET COMPONENT BEHAVIOR AT

**ELEVATED TEMPERATURES** 

Chris Cao

Mechanical Engineer, Naval Surface Warfare Center - Indian Head Division

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**ENCAPSULATED ELECTRONICS** 

Caleb White

Research & Development Mechanical Engineer, Sandia National Laboratories

### 2:45 – 3:05 pm CONFORMAL ANTENNA DESIGN FOR PROXIMITY FUZES

Dr. Simsek Demir

Chief Executive Officer, PRF Research and Development, Inc.

### 3:10 – 3:30 pm SOFTWARE DEFINED RADIO FOR MEDIUM CALIBER APPLICATIONS

Viktor Bana

Electronics Engineer, Armaments Center, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command

### 3:30 – 3:40 pm CLOSING REMARKS

Thomas Harward

Engineering Fellow, Lead Technologist, and Chief Engineer, Raytheon Technologies

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### **BIOGRAPHY**



### CHARLES "CHUCK" A. KELLY

Senior Munitions Analyst and Portfolio Manager Office of the Secretary of Defense

Chuck Kelly is a weapon systems acquisition manager with over thirty-six

years of experience in the Department of Defense (DoD) including military service and civil service in acquisition management. He is the Acting Director for Surface Warfare in Platform and Weapon Portfolio Management within the Office of Acquisition and Sustainment. In this position, he manages all capability portfolios within Land and Naval Warfare. He is the lead for the DoD Munitions Requirement process that produces the inventory requirements for all DoD munitions across the Military Services and the United States Special Operations Command. He also serves as the DoD Fuze Integrated Product Team Tri-Chair and an Executive Committee member of the Joint Ordnance Commanders Group.

Prior to service in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, in 2003, as a United States Marine Corps aviator, LtCol Kelly served as the Joint Staff's Force Application Land/ Special Operations Forces Section Branch Chief. LtCol Kelly held numerous leadership, staff and operational billets, as the: Operations Officer and Officer in Charge of the 4th Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Aviation Support Detachment; Air Launched Strike Weapons Requirements Officer in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Air Warfare Directorate; Squadron Training Officer and Flight Instructor at the Marine Corps' Fighter Attack Squadron (VMFAT 101); and deployed as a Forward Air Controller with the Marine Corps 3rd Battalion 2nd Marines in Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

Mr. Kelly holds a Bachelor of Science degree with Iona College in New Rochelle, New York and is Defense Acquisition University certified Level III in Program Management. He was also certified as a Marine Corps instructor in the areas of Air Combat, Weapons and Tactics, and Night Tactics being a graduate of both the Navy Weapons Fighter School and the Marine Corps Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course.

Mr. Kelly's achievements include a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, two Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, a Meritorious Service Medal, a Defense Meritorious Service Medal, an Office of the Secretary of Defense Award for Excellence and two Office of the Secretary of Defense Medals for Exceptional Civilian Service.



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