

All keynotes, plenary panels, and networking lunches are open to conference attendees only. See page 7 for a full schedule of events. Conference agenda as of February 25, 2020.

Wednesday, March 11

8:30 am – 9:15 am Opening Keynote Remarks: Jim Taneyhill, Director, National Security, Verizon

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Keynote Introduction: Thomas Winkowski, Chairman, Border Security Expo Advisory Board; President, Global Border Solutions, LLC; Former Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Former Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Opening Keynote: Robert Perez, Deputy Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

9:15 am – 10:15 am Plenary Panel: State of the Border: An Expansion of Historical Efforts – A Transitional Approach – Transformational Change

A one-on-one conversation with the Chief of the Border Patrol on the state of the border and his vision going forth relating to border policy, operational requirements, operational goals and objectives, threats, and international relationships. An integral part of the discussion will cover the border infrastructure system, the technology aspect of the infrastructure system, AI, and data integration.

Moderator: David Aguilar, Former CBP Acting Commissioner, CBP Deputy Commissioner and National Chief, U.S. Border Patrol; Board of Directors, Border Patrol Foundation

Speaker: Rodney Scott, Chief Patrol Agent, San Diego Sector, U.S. Customs & Border Protection

10:15 am – 11:15 am Plenary Panel: Insider Threats and the New DCSA

The panel will highlight the roles and responsibilities of the new Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA). The DCSA assumed responsibility for national security background investigations and adjudications from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and will discuss its impact on industry. The panel will also widen the traditional aperture beyond the intelligence community and discuss insider threats facing federal law enforcement.

Moderator: Michael Braun, President, SAVA Workforce Solutions

Speakers:

- Edward J. "Ned" Fish Sr., Deputy Director, Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency, Defense Vetting Directorate
- Michele James, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Professional Responsibility, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- Sean Vereault, Deputy Chief Inspector, Office of Security Programs, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration

11:15 am Exhibit Hall Ribbon Cutting

11:15 am – 5:00 pm Exhibit Hall Open

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Networking Luncheon in Exhibit Hall

Keynote Speaker: John Coleman, President of Defense & Homeland Security Sector, Peraton

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Plenary Panel: Congressional Influence on Border Security

Moderated by the first staff director of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security, this panel will explore Congressional influence on border security policy, technology and funding. Panelists will help open the aperture on how funding decisions are made—decisions that ultimately enable DHS and CBP to purchase technologies to keep our borders safe. Panelists will also offer insights into how Congress can—and does—shape the CBP mission.

Moderator: Michelle Mrdeza, Government Affairs Senior Consultant and Director, Cornerstone

Speakers:

- Michael Higdon, Principal/Founder, A1.9 Strategies
- Allison Northrop, Oversight Director, House Committee on Homeland Security

2:30 pm – 3:00 pm Plenary Keynote: Manuel Padilla, Jr., Director, Joint Task Force–West

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Plenary Panel: Domain Awareness and the Evolving Role of Border Patrol and Air & Marine Operations in Opening up the Sky

This panel will focus on how Border Patrol and Air & Marine Operations are transforming domain awareness; how the operator will benefit; and, why the use of sUAS will continue to expand in the border environment. Discussion will also be directed at how the private sector can partner with the operator and assist in shaping this important effort.

Moderator: Thomas Winkowski, President, Global Border Solutions, LLC; Former Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Former Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Speakers:

- Floyd A. Adagio, Enterprise Solution Architect, Solutions and Technology Group, Science Applications International Corporation
- Alma R. Cole, Chief Information Security Officer; Executive Director, Cybersecurity Directorate, Office of Information and Technology, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- Mark Erwin, Senior Director, Homeland Security Programs, Sentrillion
- Keith Haynes, Assistant Chief, U.S. Border Patrol
- Troy Johnson, Domain Awareness Standards and Analysis (DASA) Director, Air and Marine Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Opening Night Reception in the Exhibit Hall

Join us for happy hour in the exhibit hall to celebrate the end of the first day of the Expo! Enjoy complimentary drinks as you network with your peers and colleagues and explore essential solutions at this can't-miss reception.

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Thursday, March 12

8:30 am – 9:15 am Plenary Keynote Panel

- Elizabeth A. Cappello, Acting Chief Information Officer, Department of Homeland Security (Approval in Process)

Moderators:

- Thomas Winkowski, Chairman, Border Security Expo Advisory Board; President, Global Border Solutions, LLC; Former Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Former Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- Luke McCormack, Former Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

9:30 am – 10:45 am Plenary Panel: Procurement

What is new in the area of procurement? What does industry need to do to be more competitive? What are the common mistakes?

Moderator: Bobby Brown, Senior Director, Customs and Border Protection, Elbit Systems of America

Speakers:

- Diane Sahakian, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Acquisition, U.S. Customs & Border Protection
- Stacy Swann, National Account Manager, GSA Federal Acquisition

10:00 am – 4:00 pm Exhibit Hall Open

10:45 am – 11:30 am Plenary Panel: Biometrics

Biometrics has changed the way processing is done for border security. From the use of fingerprints to verify apprehensions against IDENT and CJIS to the latest use of facial recognition to process travelers through the ports, biometrics have improved identification and expedited the flow. The panel will explore current uses of biometrics, challenges, and what is in store for the future. How are biometrics changing the workflow? What collaboration is occurring with industry and the private sector (air, rail, cruise lines, etc.)?

Moderator: Charles Armstrong, Former Assistant Commissioner, Office of Information and Technology, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Speakers:

- John Larregui, Managing Partner of Federal Mobility Solutions, Verizon
- Jim McLaughlin, Executive Director for Targeting and Analysis Systems, CBP
- Matthew Schneider, Director, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Entry/Exit Transformation Office
- Scott Shockey, Product Owner, Office of Biometric Identity Management (OBIM)
- Michael Wagner, Senior Director, International Biometrics, GDIT

11:30 am – 12:00 pm Honoring the Memory Ceremony

Border Security Expo honors and recognizes law enforcement personnel, who have lost their lives in the line of duty. This ceremony, inaugurated at Border Security Expo 2012, continues to honor our fallen heroes each year at a special ceremony in the exhibit hall. Open to all attendees and exhibitors.

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