



Big Ideas

Planning for the year ahead

We're approaching the time of year when organizations begin an annual ritual intended to produce big ideas for the year ahead. Yet, our planning often gets hampered by budget constraints, must-use templates and insular thinking, to name a few obstacles.

If these sound familiar to you, you're not alone. A Bain survey revealed that only one in three global executives felt the strategy produced by their company's existing planning process met "three vital criteria" of bold ambition, adaptability to market conditions, and clear execution guidance.

This is a sobering reality in today's business climate of unprecedented change and technology transformation. Feeling confident about our planning and expected outcomes is more critical than ever for organizations to thrive—even to survive.

As we approach the end of 2018 and look to 2019, I ask that we think about how we will engage with our partners, suppliers and small businesses. We cannot allow bureaucracy to constrain our thinking and to impede on our execution of mission and delivering 100% on time, every time.

I am asking my team to engage with all of our partners and small businesses in a deeper and more meaningful way as we look to 2019. We need to know and understand what your plans are for the coming year and how those mesh with our planning. What are your worry stones? Capacity, staffing, executive changes and how are you going to manage your risks? And, even more important, how will you be sharing that with General Dynamics?

2019 is shaping up to be a great year. We are looking for even more from our supply team and will engage with you to ensure success on our mission.

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Supply Chain Risk, SRM & Solutions Management

Understanding Supply Chain Risk Management

Pro-actively Managing Risks Across Our Supply Chain

What is Supply Chain Risk Management?

Supply chain risk management is focused on implementing tools and strategies to manage everyday and exceptional risks along the supply chain. Continuous and ongoing risk assessment is aimed at reducing vulnerability and ensuring continuity. General Dynamics Mission Systems' Supply Chain Management is augmenting its

risk management program through a phased implementation approach.

Risks Outside of Supply Chain's Span of Control

Data from last year's SCM World's 2017 Future of Supply Chain survey, shows an increase in the level of perceived risk in areas outside of our traditional span of control. The biggest obstacles from 2016 are in the percentage of respondents who report being "very concerned" about data security, natural disaster, and potential for war. At General Dynamics Mission Systems, we have several initiatives that directly address two of the three risks mentioned by SCM World.

Our General Dynamics Mission Systems' Supply Chain Management objective is to identify and reduce supply chain vulnerabilities. We must collaborate with partners and implement comprehensive risk assessments, improve our process and utilize risk management tools to minimize risks caused by threats and uncertainties to our supply chain.

Our Digital Transformation Efforts

- Leveraging digital commercial third party tools that are best of breed in risk management.
- Data analytics strategy COTS tools for predictive and proactive risk assessments.
- Harnessing data for insights on future under performing suppliers to craft proactive supplier improvement partnerships.

Ever Vigilant Data Security

We have established an extensive program to capture our suppliers' capabilities and processes that align with Cyber security being flowed down in new or modified existing DoD contracts. We are striving to find ways to assist our supply base in identifying processes to maintain a vigilant approach to Cyber security.

Natural Disaster No Longer an Interruption

Our utilization of riskmethods gives us insights about potential risks to our supply base including natural disasters, fires, strikes and other unforeseen events that could impact delivery to General Dynamics Mission Systems. This tool is creating awareness across our team that alerts us and our supply base about significant events allowing us to work together to develop plans and strategies to ensure business continuity.



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Your participation and partnership in our supply chain risk management program is a part of our everyday operations moving forward.



Predicting Supplier Success as a Strategy

Our program with RapidRatings moves beyond traditional tools to evaluate and monitor financial risk. RapidRatings provides us with the ability to predict potential supplier(s) success or failure ahead of time, which positions us to take action to mitigate risks before they occur. This is a strategic enabler to select sourcing strategies with suppliers that are positioned for success. This program will allow our team to minimize risk at the earliest stages of source selection.

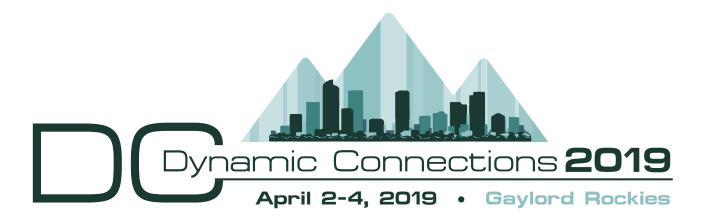
Our team is working to bring these two tools together in order to provide a comprehensive view of our supply chain. When these tools reach their full potential, we will have a comprehensive visualization of the different layers of risk and their complexity in a dashboard view. The ability to analyze the data and pinpoint where risk lies is crucial to the security of our supply chain.

What You Can Expect as a Supplier

As a supplier or an emerging supplier you will be involved in our objective and proactive risk mitigation initiatives and strategies. Your participation and partnership in our supply chain risk management program is a part of our everyday operations moving forward. Our team will actively work with you to understand risks that jointly impact us. We will ask for supporting data to develop plans to eliminate any risks. You will work collectively with our team and our third party partners to harness your data and our data to get a collective picture of potential risks.

We ask you to join us on our digital transformation of our supply chain risk management program. We will be asking you for data that we previously haven't asked for. Together we will analyze the data with a different lens to ensure that our supply base is secure. We need your partnership to ensure we collectively reduce all potential vulnerabilities throughout our supply base. The stakes are high and we must be proactive and work together to deliver world class products and solutions that our customer, soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines, expect and deserve.





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Ed Harkins

Senior Supply Chain Program Manager

Ed is a telecommuter out of Indialantic, Florida. He has been with the company for 21 years in November.

What led you to a career in Supply Chain Management?

This was a case of "natural progression." For almost my entire career with General Dynamics, my assignments embedded me with our teammates in their facilities: Lockheed Martin, AT&T, Northrop Grumman, L-3, Harris, and DRS. I enjoy building relationships with our partners and driving toward mission

success. As the Supply Chain Management organization evolved over the years, it was a perfect fit.

What has been your most rewarding experience at General Dynamics Mission Systems?

No singular experience, as I cherish the people who I have been blessed to work with throughout my 21 years with General Dynamics. The talent, professionalism, and camaraderie will always be highly regarded and what I most remember.

In your opinion, why are relationships with suppliers so important to the Supply Chain Management mission?

A positive and mutually beneficial relationship with our partners boosts mission success, magnifies innovative power, reduces supply chain risk exposure, drives on-going cost savings, and promotes corporate responsibility.

What would people never guess that you do in your role?

Maintain a **VERY** large number of relationships with suppliers, subcontractors, and internal General Dynamics Mission Systems functional organizations on a regular basis. I enjoy meeting and working with each team member to gain different perspectives on issues, opportunities, processes, and best practices.

How do you contribute to achieving an integrated supply chain?

Apply program management tools, techniques and processes to lead subcontract execution as well as assist with procurement challenges and opportunities. Recently, I have been asked to help develop corporate level agreements with alliance and strategic partners that will better position General Dynamics, as a whole, in terms of cost savings and flexibility.

What motivates you?

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Hearing stories from individuals at the tip of the spear – the soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, coast guardsmen, first responders, and analysts who use our products/services and knowing that in some way (directly or indirectly) Supply Chain contributed to their mission. Oh...and music also motivates me – all genres, although I am currently going through a "90's Grunge" phase....

How do you balance your career and personal life?

Self-discipline, motivation, setting priorities and sticking to them.

A perfect day would be?

Enjoying a cruise in the Caribbean with my wife; soaking in the rays, listening to music, plenty of food and beverages, and totally off the net!



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Business Process Management Manager

Defining Our Commoditites

What categories of equipment, products or services make up your commodity? Our commodity team supports business cards, mobile devices, office supplies and P-Card program.

How can a current supplier share updates with your team around product advances, new products or technologies? What kind of information do you want from a supplier and in what format? Current suppliers should share their technology roadmaps, product updates, and capability data with the Innovation Sourcing Network (ISN) team who is organizing this information in our General Dynamics Mission Systems technology sourcing database. The ISN shares this information with our commodity, engineers, buyers and across commodity managers. We want and need to know about changes and updates, such as lead times, allocations, new equipment, new materials, new technologies and supplier personnel changes.

How often should our technical sales engineers engage with your commodity team? What's the right cadence?

Quarterly meetings updates are ideal unless there is a significant change that we should know about immedietely. Some of our suppliers conduct monthly technical sales briefings. These briefings provide great information to share with the ISN, who organizes this information in our technology sourcing database. You should also consider recording a Virtual Tech Ten Talk with our ISN team. The ISN team provides all the technology tools for you to conduct your talk from your desk. You don't need to leave your office. Contact the Innovation Sourcing Network team via techscout@gd-ms.com to set up your recording appointment. Our technical team likes these bite-size conversation to learn what your new services or technologies.

Do you have an interest in our market outlooks, insights and lead times? How do these help your team? Who should a supplier send these to?

Yes, General Dynamics Mission Systems is very interested in your insight on market trends, outlooks and lead times, and appreciate your collaborative efforts to share this information. We need this information to ensure we can meet our commitments to our customers. The ISN is disseminating this information across our engineering, product development, capture and business development teams.

Should I work to build a relationship with other commodity teams?

If the products and services your company provides support other commodity's endeavors (see the chart in this issue), we highly encourage you reach out to the other teams.

How does a new supplier get an opportunity to build a relationship with you and your team and quote opportunities?

Our Innovation Sourcing Network is our first entry point for new suppliers. The ISN is our open supplier innovation ecosystem. Share your capabilities with the ISN, respond to a TechScout and record a Virtual Tech Ten Talk. These three ingredients help our team understand what your competencies are and we begin to develop a relationship with your team that potentially will lead to teaming opportunities or quoting opportunities.

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Commodities

OPERATIONAL



Commodity Manager

Matt Robertson

Products

Active Attenuators Adhesives Air Circulators & Blower Eq. **Asset Tools** Bandpass filters Chemicals, Lubricants & Grease Chillers Compressors & Vacuum Pumps Controls Converters (RF) -Up and Down **Electron Tubes Explosive Devices** Fan & Fan **Assemblies** Furniture - Lab **Generating Parts** Generators **Inspection Gages** Inverters Isolators - RF Jacks

Manufacturing & Machine Tools Manufacturing Equip. & Mach. **Material Handling** Equipment Motors **MRO** Optical Instr. Oscillators (Crystal) **Packaging** & Packaging Supplies **Paint** Pallets, Crates & Lumber **Power Amplifiers** RF (Not Component Level) Radar Eq. Radio & Comms Eq. Refrigeration Cooling

RF Assemblies **RF Circulators RF Filters RF Mixers RF Switches** Sensors **Shelters Shop Floor** Supls. & Cons. Sonars Standard Pkg. Supplies Tape **TCXO** Tents Test Equipment & Calibration TLNB **Trailers TWTA**

VCOs

Vehicles

Waveguide

MECHANICAL



Commodity Managers

Mark Reardon & Susan Carpenter

Products

Actuating Levers Antenna Masts Arms Bearings Bellows **Bolts Brackets** Calibrated parts Cams Cases Casters Castings Chassis and Bases Container Hardware **Custom Fabric Parts** Custom **Packaging Decals** Disks **Drive Belts Drums Enclosure** parts **Evelets** Fan Blades and Rollers

Firing Pins Flat Mechanical Part Gaskets Gears Glass parts Grommets **Heat Sinks** Holding/ **Positioning Parts** Insulating parts Joy Sticks (Custom) Keypad Membrane Labels Lanyards Lenses Links Machining Mechanical

Clutches

Mechanical

Hardware

Nameplates

Control Parts

Operating

Metals

Nuts

Ornamental **Parts Pistons** Plastic-Fabricated Items **Plastics Pulleys** Quick Release Plungers & Slides Raw Material Retaining parts **Rivets** Screens/ Ventilating **Parts** Screws **Sealing Parts** Sectors and Spools Shafts **Sheet Metal** Shielding parts **Springs** Tags and Instruction Cards Washers Wheels

SERVICES



& Heating

Commodity Manager

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Limiter - RF

Products

Commercial Services (Non-Product) Contract Labor **Environmental Health** and Safety **Environmental Testing Facilities**

Job Advertising Marketing **Prof Consulting** Agreements Quality Recruitement Telecom

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Commodity Manager

Paula Shwab

Fasteners

Fastening Parts

Products

Cameras Computer Hardware Hardware Services **Keypad Assembly** (Standard Offering) Networking Networking **Switches**

Optical Transceiver Routers Servers Software Commodities

ELECTRO MECHANICAL



Commodity Manager

Sandy Reese

Products

Antennas Audio Equipment Batteries & chargers Bells and Buzzers **Circuit Breakers Display Optics** Earphones Handsets Headsets **Indicating Parts** Microphones Populated Racks (Enclosures) Power Dist. Relays **Speakers** Surge Suppressors **Switches**

Transformers

UPS

COMPONENT ASSEMBLY



Commodity Manager

Matt Maisano

Products

Capacitors Circuit board Assemblies Circuit boards Coil Forms Contract Manufacturing (Keypad Assemblies, Box Build, CCA) **Delay Lines** Flex circuits & Flex Assemblies **FPGA Boards Fuses Inductive Devices** Inductors LED Microcircuits PCB-Mounted: Amplifiers, Passive Passive Attenuators, Passive filters, **Transformers Populated** Boards Resistors Semiconductors Substrate **Tuners Tuning Cores**

BUSINESS PROCESS MGMT





Commodity Manager

Stephanie Baker

Products

Business Cards Mobile Devices Office Supplies P-Card Program

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Products

Back Shells
Cable Assemblies
Cables
Computer Cables
Connectors
Cords

Headers Holders Sleeving Sockets Terminals Wire

TRAVEL



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Tracy Loper

Products

Airlines
Car Rental
Hotel Event/
Trade Show
Support
Ground Services
(Airport
Parking,

Car Services)

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Summary of Award - A brief reminder

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of award is the documents where both internal and external auditors begin the review process.

If you have any questions, please reach out to our compliance team. Contact Yaseen at: yaseen.ali@gd-ms.com



Small Business Tech Conference



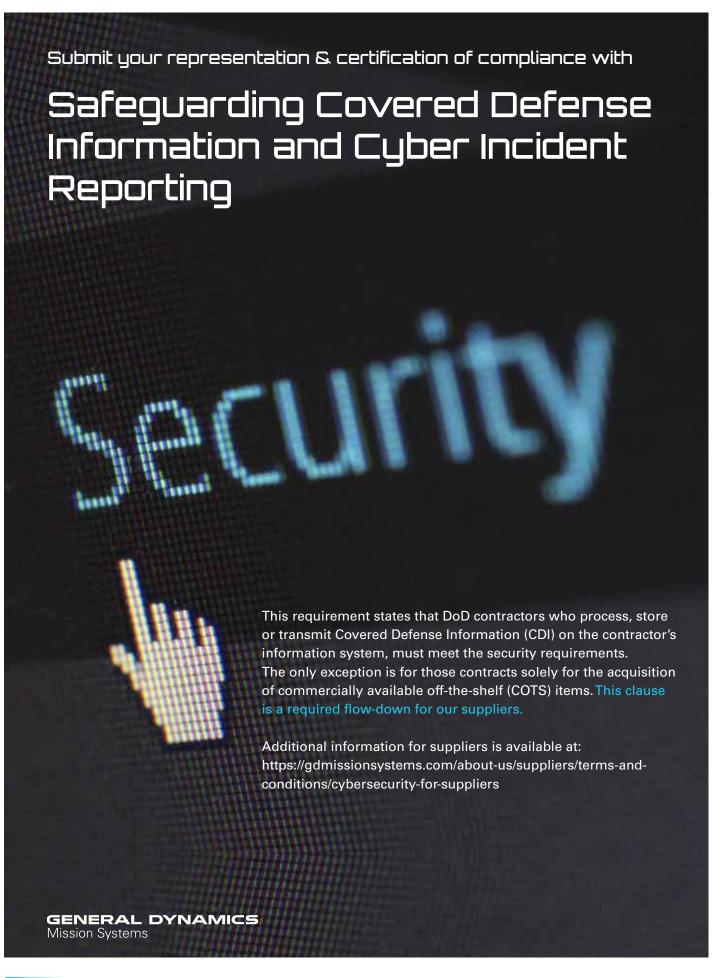
On behalf of the entire General Dynamics team, we thank you for attending the Small Business Tech Conference in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday, Sept. 18. We hope you connected with our team and the government representatives, learned about how to engage with us and found new partnerships and opportunities as a result of the event.

We invite you to provide your thoughts and feedback about the event utilizing the survey link HERE.

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