



**Arizona Defense &
Industry Coalition**

Overview

Lynndy Smith, CEO

AZ Defense & Industry Coalition (AZDIC)

Carrying out McCain's vision and partnering together to provide a united voice for Arizona's defense & industry community

West Valley Defense
Alliance (WVDA)



- Uniting the Arizona defense community in the West Valley by promoting economic development and pro-defense and industry legislation.

Mesa Industry & Defense
Council (MIDC)



- Serving as a united voice for the region's success through a network of over 40 large and small companies in defense, aerospace, mining, energy, construction and IT who work directly with community and elected officials.

Southern Arizona Defense
Alliance (SADA)



- Supporting and preserving the military presence in Southern Arizona through uniting local and regional businesses and community leaders.

Yuma 50



- Dedicated to supporting Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) and Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) through uniting community, civic leaders, businesses, organizations, and military support groups.

Announcement press release can be found [here](#)

Member Companies



AZDIC Action Based Initiatives

Providing real solutions to active problems through federal policy advocacy and industry partnerships

Annual Policy Priorities

Creating unified policy advocacy by compiling priorities of independent industry and installations in a collective document that is distributed to all AZ Congressional Staff

Also serves as the basis for our DC Fly In slated for February

Defense Supply Chain

Developed working group in partnership with Senator Sinema's Office, green technology and mining companies, and environmental groups

Outlined critical gaps in Whitepaper and working with Senator Sinema to identify actionable policy

Veteran Workforce

Developed working group with the goal of establishing an initiative under our 501c3 Foundation dedicated to helping veterans pursue careers in defense

Goal is to launch this initiative during an event sponsored by Paul Smiley (Sonoran Technologies) and Goodyear in January!

Foreign Gov Engagement

Streamlining communication between Foreign Governments and Arizona industry by first asking countries what they "need" and then helping to connect them with relevant industry who can provide solutions

- Ukraine
- Oman

AZDIC International Partnerships

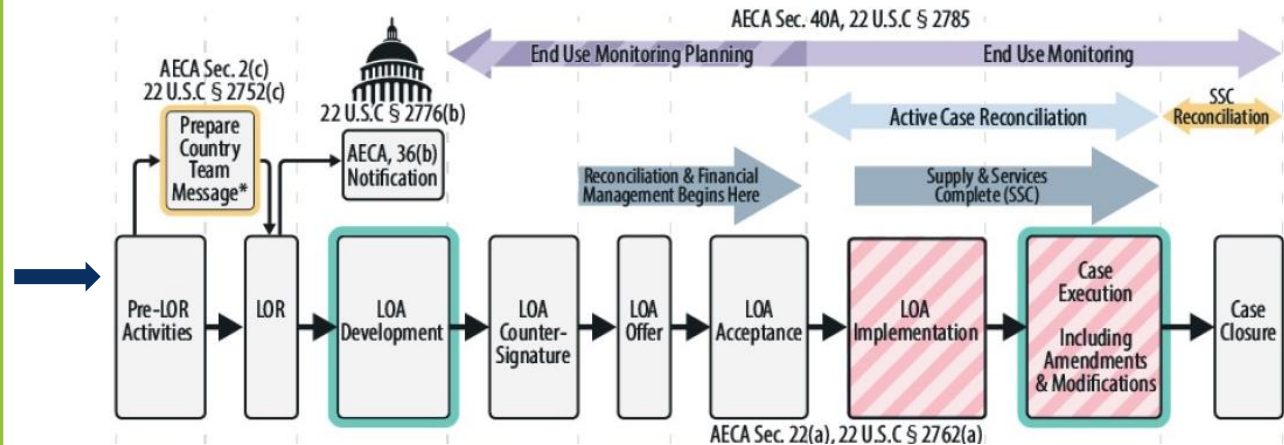
MISSION: to discover needs of foreign governments related to immediate defense technologies, near term joint production, and long-term partnership

OUR PROMISE: to work with our network of over 1200 defense contractors and industry allies to identify solutions in defense, high technology, agriculture, mining, and more

Our Solution

AZDIC Advocacy

- AZDIC serves as liaison between Foreign Militaries and AZ industry
- Hosts select nations for in country tour of AZ industry assets
- Creates a platform for which foreign militaries can work directly with US industry to build their plans and create direct asks to the DoD on purchasing



AZDIC Ukraine Partnership

MISSION: to discover needs of Ukraine related to immediate defense technologies, near term joint production, and long-term reconstruction

OUR PROMISE: to work with our network of over 1200 defense contractors and industry allies to provide solutions in defense, high technology, agriculture, mining, and more

Immediate Defense Supply

Near Term Joint Production

Long Term Reconstruction

- June 2023, AZDIC led its first delegation to Ukraine - met with Dept Ministers from every major Ministry
- AZDIC returned to AZ and met with Industry to discover potential solutions to Ukraine's specific Needs - developed 170 page document of proposals and shared with Ministries
- Sept 2023, AZDIC invited to sign MoU with Ministry of Strategic Industries formalizing partnership - AZDIC also invited to bring small delegation to Defense Industries Forum
- Spring 2024, AZDIC will return to Ukraine for the 3rd time and host matchmaking summit with goal of securing contracts, MoUs, and/or Lols from Ukraine to AZ Industry





Uniting Arizona's defense and industry communities

JOIN THE MISSION!

- Streamlining Procurement
- Securing Supply Chains
- Growing the Workforce

DefenseCoalitions.org

