



CALL FOR SESSION SPEAKERS

Welcome to the breakout session proposal portal for DAFITC. We are delighted you are interested in speaking at our upcoming event in Montgomery, AL August 28-30, 2023. You can always find the latest event info at www.dafitc.com.

If you are familiar with DAFITC and how to apply, scroll to the bottom now and start your proposal.

Note: you can start your proposal and finish it at any time before June 23.

ABOUT THE BREAKOUTS

The DAFITC 2023 theme is Digitally Transforming the Air & Space Force: Investing for Tomorrow's Fight.

Most sessions are either 45 or 60 minutes including Q&A. We expect to schedule 120+ sessions over three days within the following tracks:

TRACK #1: Digital Transformation

Synopsis: How do we transform the way the DAF develops, procures, engineers, and builds systems for the enterprise? Is the separation between mission systems and business systems increasingly blurred? This track is meant to be inclusive of Enterprise IT, Digital Engineering, Digital Acquisition, ISR Modernization, Cloud Adoption modernizing apps & infrastructure, and software development.

TRACK #2: "C3BM, JADC2, and the Future Fight"

Synopsis: What do the Air & Space Force need to do to transform the way we command & control, and what does that look like? What efforts are underway to build the DAF's BATTLE NETWORK of the future? What must we do to improve intelligence and targeting in an increasingly contested information environment? What investments do we need to make in our networks and infrastructure to support the distributed communications needs of tomorrow?

TRACK #3: Holistic Cybersecurity for the DAF: Transforming Cybersecurity & Cyber Defense

Synopsis: How can the Air & Space Force best develop a holistic approach to Cybersecurity & Cyber Defense? How do we deconflict seemingly overlapping authorities and overcome bureaucratic layers to provide integrated situational awareness for leaders and enable timely decision-making? What changes do we need to make in our risk framework?

TRACK #4: Investing in our People: Tomorrow's Air & Space Cyber Workforce

Synopsis: What efforts do we need to undertake to ensure our military and civilian workforce are trained for and have the experience needed to leverage emerging and game-changing technology advancements? How do we cultivate a workforce that is knowledgeable, valued, and has input into their careers? How do we build a diverse, inclusive workforce? This track includes topics such as mentorship and diversity & inclusion.



TRACK #5: Space-focused Communications and ISR

Synopsis: What does the future hold for space operations and the US Space Force, and how best can cyber operators and IT professionals contribute to that success? What does it mean to be a digital service that experiences war almost exclusively through data? How best can Airmen & Guardians partner with industry to posture the US for great power competition?

SUBMITTAL PROCESS

To submit a session for consideration, *fill in and submit the form at the link on www.dafitc.com*. The deadline for speaker/session submissions is **June 23, 2023, at 11:59 pm CST**.

Selection process

- All session proposals will be reviewed by the DAFITC review team. The final selections will be made based on speaker qualifications, originality of the session, and how applicable the topic is to the audience. You will be notified of acceptance or denial by July 24. Breakouts should focus on solutions relevant to the theme and tracks. Sales presentations will not be accepted.
- Double check that your email address is correct; this is our primary point of contact.
- The main presenter sets up an account with their email address and a password of their choosing, which allows access to your submission so you can make edits and, after acceptance, upload photos, bios, handouts, and the final presentation.
- You may add additional presenters. You will need basic information for each presenter – name, title or rank, email address, and phone number. After acceptance each co-presenter will be asked to create a profile.
- You may start your proposal now and complete it any time before the June 23 submission deadline. Make sure you save your work along the way before moving in between pages.
- Please ensure that only the first letter of your first and last name is capitalized, and that your bio reflects your professional achievements accurately, and briefly. Maximum word count is 1000 characters.
- When writing the description of your presentation, please ensure you provide a short list of audience takeaways in your application.

SPEAKER BENEFITS

Our event marketing team will use the information you submit to promote your session on the DAFITC website, the mobile app, digital signs and the agenda at a glance. Speaker photos should 150x150 and 1 MB max in size. Handouts and final presentations must be PDFs with a maximum file size of 25MB. The presentation you submit will be posted at the website and in the mobile app after the event.