

Network Centric Operations Industry Consortium Growing In Number

65 Companies Working to Advance Network Technology

Intel, the Institute for Defense Analyses, and SRI International have joined the Network Centric Operations Industry Consortium (NCOIC), an international collaborative forum comprised of 65 companies and organizations committed to providing a common technical approach that will enable all systems to operate on a global network.

Intel is the world's largest chip maker and a leading manufacturer of computer, networking and communications products. The Institute for Defense Analyses is a non-profit corporation that administers three federally funded research and development centers to assist the United States Government in addressing important national security issues, particularly those requiring scientific and technical expertise. SRI International is one of the world's leading independent research and technology development organizations.

"The work of the NCOIC is gaining momentum across industry, and the addition of these newest members brings new dimensions to this already diverse consortium," said Paul Allen of IBM, who also serves as chairman for NCOIC Membership. "These three additions also illustrate the broad acceptance of NCO as a capability, regardless of how it is applied. This is about more than defense; it's about access to information so that the best decisions -- whatever they may be -- can be made."

About the NCOIC

The Network Centric Operations Industry Consortium (NCOIC) is a not-for-profit international corporation that is committed to integrating existing and emerging open standards into a common evolving global framework, employing a common set of principles and processes, to assist with the rapid global deployment of network-centric applications. Established in 2004, the NCOIC consists of industry representatives from defense companies, large-scale systems integrators, information technology providers, and academia working in concert with advisory bodies consisting of government officials, standards groups and other stakeholders. For more information, visit www.NCOIC.org

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