STC '98: If You Haven't Registered, You Need to Now

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Software Technology Conference

Conference registration for the Tenth Annual Software Technology Conference (STC '98) is well underway. If you haven't already registered, register now. We anticipate over 3,500 participants will meet at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City, Utah during the week of April 19-23, 1998.

The U.S. Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) have again joined forces to co-sponsor STC '98, the premier software technology conference in the Department of Defense (DoD). Once again, Utah State University Extension is the conference nonfederal co-sponsor.

The federal co-sponsors are Lt. Gen. David J. Kelley (DISA), Lt. Gen. William Campbell (U.S. Army), Dr. Helmut Hellwig (U.S. Air Force), Rear Adm. George Wagner (U.S. Navy), and Maj. Gen. Joseph Anderson (U.S. Marine Corps). The conference is hosted by Maj. Gen. Richard H. Roellig, commander of Hill Air Force Base, Utah and the Air Force Software Technology Support Center (STSC).

The theme for STC '98 is "Knowledge Sharing – Global Information Networks."

Hotel guestrooms are filling up fast. All reservations must be made through the Salt Lake City Visitor's Bureau/STC Housing Bureau. Reservations for hotel quest rooms opened in August with the mailing of our Call for Speakers and Exhibitors brochure. Many early birds took advantage of being able to book their rooms then. We highly recommend that you send in your reservation form as soon as possible.

Conference registration and housing information and forms are available at http://www.stc98.org or by calling STC fax-on-demand 435-797-2358. You may also call the conference management at 801-777-7411 or DSN 777-7411.

The opening General Session on Monday afternoon will include keynote addresses given by Tony Valletta, acting assistant secretary of defense, and retired Vice Adm. Jerry Tuttle (U.S. Navy), president of ManTech Strategies Associates. Each of the co-sponsors also will address this session. Among the many other distinguished leaders in the DoD and industry executives who will speak at this year's conference are Mark Schaeffer of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), Miriam Browning, director for information management, Office, Director for Information Systems Command, Control, Communications, and Computers, and Debra Filippi, deputy assistant chief of staff for command, control, communications, and computers systems integration.

Beginning in mid-January, as information was received from presentation speakers, presentation summaries and biographical information have been listed at our Web site, http://www.stc98.org. You will want to frequently visit this Web site prior to the conference to get the latest up-to-date information.

Conference management is coordinating military air flights to the conference from the San Diego and Washington, D.C. areas. If you are interested, it is essential that you contact conference management as soon as possible at 801-777-7411 or DSN 777-7411 or E-mail at wadel@software.hill.af.mil.

On Monday, April 20, 1998, conference participants may attend the "Birds-of-a-Feather" luncheon for which they have pre-registered. Participants should register for the luncheon they wish to attend by marking the appropriate box on the registration form. Designated luncheon discussion topics will include systems engineering, acquisition, and process improvement.

If we can be of further assistance, please call or E-mail. This is one conference that you do not want to miss. We will see you in April!

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