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**November 5, 2018**

8:00	Registration <i>Location: Foyer</i>
8:00	Welcome Coffee – <i>Location: FedDev Ontario Pavilion</i>
08:45 – 10:15	Land Project Meet & Greet Session I: (Trucks (LVM and ERC focus))
10:30 – 10:45	Opening of FedDev Ontario Pavilion Welcome from FedDev Ontario & Heather Pilot of Best Defence
10:45 – 11:45	Land Vehicle-Related Innovation Session  FedDev Program booth open: Private meetings rooms may be booked with FedDev staff by attendees for their meetings
12:00 - 14:00	<i>Location: Main Plenary Room</i> NSERC Networking Event Luncheon
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Location: FedDev Ontario Pavilion</i> Supplier Development Session: What Defence Contractors look for when meeting a supplier. Interactive panel with a few OEMs speaking with suppliers
14:30 – 15:00	<i>Location: Main Plenary Room</i> NATO Procurement Opportunities Nicholas Marum, Director of Industry Relations, Analysis and Policy Department of National Defence
15:00 – 16:00	<i>Location: Main Plenary Room</i> Supercluster Initiative for Advanced Manufacturing + DRDC  Moderator: Doug Wilson-Hodge, Manager, Corporate Affairs General Dynamics Land Systems-Canada Jayson Myers, CEO, Next Generation Manufacturing Canada (The organization responsible for leading the Canadian government's Advanced Manufacturing Supercluster initiative)  Dale F. Reding Director General S&T Air Force and Navy (DGSTAN) / ADM (S&T) Defence Research and Development Canada/ National Defence  Kevin F. Hayes Military Liaison National research Council of Canada
16:00	Light Refreshments - <i>FedDev Ontario Pavilion</i>
16:15 – 17:45	<i>Location: FedDev Ontario Pavilion</i> Land Project Session II: Engineering Projects (CHER, B&GCM, LVCTS)
18:00 – 20:00	Best Defence Reception

## November 6, 2018

08:00	<b>Location: Main Plenary Room</b> Registration & Continental Breakfast
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome Heather Pilot, Pilot Hill Ltd. & introduction of Emcee
09:15 – 10:30	<b>Mini Canadian Armed Forces Outlooks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colonel Jason Kenny, Royal Canadian Air Force, Director of Air Requirements</li><li>• Captain Jason Armstrong, Royal Canadian Navy, Director of Naval Requirements</li><li>• Colonel Christopher Renahan, Canadian Army, Director of Land Requirements</li></ul>
10:30 – 10:55	Networking Break - Best Defence
10:30 – 11:00	<b>Location: FedDev Ontario Pavilion</b> FDO booth & Staff available / closed meeting rooms available
11:00 – 11:45	<b>Location: Main Plenary Room</b> Technology Showcase Pitches
12:00 noon- 13:15	<b>Lunch &amp; Keynote Speaker (TBA)</b>
13:30 – 14:30	<b>Decoding the Complexities of Global Defence Markets – Understanding the Client Need for Supply Chain Resilience</b>  Moderator: Colleen Mapendere, Director, Defence & Security, Canadian Commercial Corporation (CCC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Derek Dobson, Canadian Leader, Defence, Security and Resilience, Ernst &amp; Young LLP</li><li>• Robert Aubé, Managing Director, QinetiQ Canada</li><li>• Phil Dana, Business Development Director, Government Data Solutions Dun &amp; Bradstreet Canada</li></ul>
14:30 – 15:30	<b>The Impact of Future Technology on Industry Capability</b>  Moderator: Dr. John Makaran, Director, Engineering and Research, Canadian Centre for Product Validation <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Siegfried Usal, Managing Director &amp; VP Strategy &amp; Research &amp; Technology Thales Canada</li><li>• Joe Nugent, Sr Engineer, Product &amp; Technology Development General Dynamics Land Systems-Canada</li><li>• Ruben Tauste, Procurement Marketing Director &amp; Airbus DS S&amp;C Representative NA, Airbus Americas, Inc.</li><li>• Alex Tsoulis, Director, Business Development &amp; Advanced Technologies Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Canada</li></ul>
15:00 - 16:00	<b>Location: FedDev Ontario Pavilion</b> Panel Discussion: <b>Dynamics of Gender and Canada's Defence Sector</b>
16:00	Light Refreshments - <b>FedDev Ontario Pavilion</b>
16:30 – 18:00	WiDs Speed Mentoring session - <b>FedDev Ontario Pavilion</b>
18:00 – 19:00	WiDs Reception - <b>FedDev Ontario Pavilion</b>