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8:00 – 9:00 AM	Registration Check-In
9:00 – 10:30 AM	CAF Mini Outlooks
	Colonel David. J. Pletz, MSM, CD
	Born in Vancouver, British Columbia in January 1975, Colonel Pletz joined the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) in June 1993 as a student pilot. He studied at Royal Roads Military College in Victoria, British Columbia and at the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston, Ontario where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Materials Science in 1997. After graduating, he received pilot training in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan and received his wings in 1998. He was subsequently selected to fly CF-18 Hornet fighters.
	In June 2000, at the end of CF-18 training in Cold Lake, Alberta, he was promoted to Captain and posted to 425 Tactical Fighter Squadron in Bagotville, Quebec. In 2004, he was selected as the CF- 18 National Air Demonstration Pilot, where he had the honor of representing the dedication and professionalism of the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Fighter Force.
	In 2005, he graduated from the Fighter Weapons Instructor Course (FWIC) as a Mass Attack Lead. In 2006, he was posted to 3 Wing Operations in Bagotville where he assumed the position of Chief of Combat Readiness Training.
	Promoted to Major in January 2007, he was posted for the second time to 425 Tactical Fighter Squadron where he successively held the positions of Squadron Operations Officer and Squadron Weapons and Tactics Officer. In 2009, he was appointed to the position of Officer Commanding FWIC. Later that year, he was selected as Executive Assistant for the Commander 1 Canadian Air Division in Winnipeg, Manitoba. In 2010, he was nominated to attend the Joint Command and Staff Program (JCSP 37) at the Canadian Forces College in Toronto, Ontario.
	Promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel in June 2011, he was posted to the Eastern Air Defense Sector (EADS) in Rome, New York, USA as Commander of the Canadian Detachment and Deputy Director of Operations.
	In June 2013, he was posted to Bagotville as 3 Wing Operations Officer. He deployed to Eastern Europe in May 2014, where he took command of 425 ETAC at Câmpia Turzii, Romania, and subsequently took Command of the Operation Reassurance Air

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	Task Force (ATF). Under his command, the ATF moved from Romania to Šiauliai, Lithuania and carried out the NATO Air Policing Mission in the Baltic States from September 2014 to January 2015.
	In June 2015, he was posted to 1 Cdn Air Div, Winnipeg, Manitoba as Senior Staff Officer Air Force Standards. In June 2017, he was promoted to his current rank and posted to Ottawa, Ontario as Director of Fighter Capability Transition and Integration until 2019. He is currently serving as Director Air Requirements in the RCAF Air Staff.
	Over the course of his career, he has accumulated more than 2,500 flying hours on high-performance military aircraft, including more than 2,000 hours on the CF-18.
	Colonel A.D. (Dave) MacIntyre
	Colonel Anthony MacIntyre joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1994 and was commissioned in Yellowknife, NT as an Armour officer. He was posted to Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) (LdSH(RC)) in 1998 after completing a bachelor's degree through the Regular Officer Training Program.
	Throughout his career, Colonel MacIntyre has held command and staff positions, most notably; he had the privilege to be the Commanding Officer of Canadian Forces Base Shilo (2017-2019), officer commanding a Sabre Squadron (2011-2013) with LdSH(RC) and was G3 Operations for 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group (2014 - 2016).
	Colonel MacIntyre has several operational tours including the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Stabilization Force in Zgon, Bosnia (2000), Joint Task Force Afghanistan in Kandahar (2006 and again in 2008) and a domestic deployment to Operation Podium (Olympic Games) in 2010.
	Colonel MacIntyre's staff assignments have included tours with The Royal Canadian Armour School (2004), Directorate of Land Requirements (2005-2007, 2016, 2019-2020), and 1 CMBG (2014- 2016). He is a graduate of the Land Forces Technical Staff Program and the Advanced Command and Staff Course in Shrivenham, United Kingdom where he received a Master's Degree in Strategic studies from King's College London. In 2020, Col MacIntyre completed the Senior Course at the NATO Defence College in Rome and has completed DP4 through the National Security Program.

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	Colonel MacIntyre returned to the Canadian Army Headquarters in 2019 as Deputy Director DLR coordination, completed a year in the Canadian Army operations branch and, upon promotion, assumed the role of Director Land Requirements in August 2022.
	Colonel MacIntyre is married to Shannon and has two children, Gavin and Meaghan.
	Captain (N) Andrew Graham
	Captain (N) Drew Graham joined the Canadian Armed Forces as an officer in the Cadet Instructors Cadre in May of 1995 at Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps QUINTE in Belleville Ontario. Upon completing undergraduate studies at the University of Ottawa he transferred to the regular force as a Maritime Surface officer in the Royal Canadian Navy. He completed his training at the Naval Officer Training Centre in 2002 and joined HMCS TORONTO as a Bridge Watchkeeper.
	While serving in TORONTO he deployed to the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Altair. He trained as a Shipborne Air Control Officer and joined HMCS IROQUOIS in 2005. While serving in IROQUOIS he deployed to the Mediterranean Sea as part of Operation Active Endeavour with Standing NATO Maritime Group 1. On leaving IROQUOIS LCdr Graham traveled to the United Kingdom to attend the Ammunition Technical Officer course with the British Army. He returned to Canada in 2009 and served as the Formation Ammunition Technical Officer in Halifax for 2 years. He re-joined IROQUOIS as an Operations Room Officer in 2012 and served as Operations Officer, Weapons Officer and finally Combat Officer. While serving in IROQUOIS he deployed on Operation Caribe as part of the North American war on drugs.
	After serving for two years as the Command Ammunition Technical Officer at Naval Headquarters in Ottawa LCdr Graham moved to Toronto to attend the Joint Command and Staff Programme at the Canadian Forces College where he earned a master's degree in Defence Studies. He was appointed as the Executive Officer of HMCS REGINA in 2016 and served in REGINA until 2018 when he moved back to Ottawa into the position of Above Water Warfare Requirements Section Head in the Directorate of Naval Requirements. Cdr Graham

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	assumed Command of HMCS FREDERICTON in July of 2020 and deployed as the Flagship of Standing NATO Maritime Group One in support of Operation Reassurance in 2021. Promoted to his current rank in 2023, he is currently serving as the Director of Naval Requirements on the Naval Staff. He lives in Ottawa with his very tolerant and understanding wife Amanda and their two boys Spencer and Braedan.
10:30 – 11:00 AM	Break & Networking
11:00 – 11:45 AM	Supply Chain Resilience (Panel)
	Moderator: Christa Hammond
	Christa is currently responsible for Supply Chain Management activities at General Dynamics Land Systems-Canada. Christa earned a bachelor of Business Administration from Sir Wilfrid Laurier University in 2003 and a Master of Business in Complex Project Leadership (MBCPL) from the University of Ottawa in 2019.
	Christa joined GDLS-C in May 2003 and during her tenure has held positions of increasing responsibility in the areas of Program Management, Contracts, Business Planning and Alliances, and Supply Chain Management. More specifically, her roles have included Contracts Coordinator for the United States Army Stryker program, GDLS Merger and Acquisition Analyst, Subcontract Administrator of various suppliers from around the globe, Manager of the Subcontracts team within the Supply Chain Management organization and Program Manager for the Armoured Combat Support Vehicle (ACSV) program for the Canadian Department of National Defence (DND).
	In 2020, Christa was recognized for breaking down the barricades as one of the top twenty women in Canadian Defence by Esprit de Corps magazine. With nearly twenty years of experience in the defense industry, she brings a diverse set of skills to GDLS-C. Christa has a strong background in international business, extensive negotiating skills and an ability to lead teams to success, moving projects forward to meet deadlines that seem unattainable.
	Sebastian Fischmeister CEO

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	Sebastian Fischmeister is the CEO and co-founder of Palitronica and has over 20 years of experience in safety and security of safety-critical embedded systems. As a Professor at the University of Waterloo, he led foundational research on physics-based cybersecurity and established the technology commercialized in Palitronica's products.
	Before Palitronica, Sebastian helped spin out other successful companies such as Labforge and Acerta. Sebastian is a licensed professional Engineer, has published over 130 peer-reviewed articles, holds several patents, and has held significant leadership positions in academia and industry advisory groups.
	Lyall King Director, Risk Mitigation Programs, Canadian Centre for Cyber Security
	Lyall joined the Communications Security Establishment (CSE) in 2002 as an intelligence analyst. Since that time, Lyall has held a series of management roles within Signals Intelligence (SIGINT) operations, including a 3-year deployment overseas working closely with allied partners, and a tour as the Manager of CSE's 24/7 Operations Centre.
	From 2018 to 2022, Lyall was a Director in the Intelligence Operations directorate, focusing on hostile state actors and cyber threats. During this period, he was also the chair of the Security and Intelligence Threats to Elections (SITE) Task Force, an interdepartmental coordination body set up by the Government of Canada to help counter foreign interference in Canada's federal elections. Lyall joined the executive team in CSE's Canadian Centre for Cyber Security as Director, Risk Mitigation Programs in June 2022.
	Lyall holds a Master's degree in Library and Information Sciences (University of Western Ontario), and a Bachelor's degree in Honours History (University of Waterloo).
11:45 – 12:00 PM	Grow Your Canadian & US Public Sector Business
	Brynn Bruder

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	Sr. Analyst, Deltek
	Brynn Bruder is a Sr. Research Analyst on Deltek's State, Local and Education (SLED) & Canada Market Analysis team. She supports GovWin's expanded Canadian coverage by leading all market analysis related to the Canadian public sector market. Brynn conducts strategic research and analysis of Canadian budgets and spending, market trends, acquisition policy, and business development best practices. She shares her insights through various mediums, including reports, webinars, blogs, and speaking engagements.
	Prior to this role, Brynn served as an analyst on GovWin's SLED Tracked Opportunities team, providing business development support and helping clients build and maintain their opportunity pipeline. Brynn graduated from American University with a bachelor's degree in International Studies and a minor in French. Additionally, she has experience working in multiple fields within the public affairs sector.
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 – 1:40 PM	Keynote Speaker
1:45 – 2:00 PM	Tech Showcase companies (5 mins each)
2:00 – 2:30 PM	Networking Break
2:30 – 3:45 PM	Pan Domain Command and Control (Panel)
	<u>Moderator</u> : John de Boer
	Sr. Director Government Affairs and Public Policy, Blackberry, Ltd.
	John de Boer is currently Senior Director of Government Affairs and Public Policy at BlackBerry Ltd., where he leads BlackBerry's government relations efforts in Canada.
	Prior to joining BlackBerry, John served as a Senior Policy Advisor at the United Nations; as Team Leader on the Afghanistan Task Force at the Canadian International Development Agency; as Program Leader of Governance, Security and Justice at Canada's International Development Research Centre; and as Principal at the SecDev Group - a digital risk consultancy firm. John has a Ph.D. in Area Studies from the University of Tokyo. He was a post-doctoral fellow at Stanford University, a visiting

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	lecturer at University of California at Berkeley, and an affiliated expert at Harvard University's Humanitarian Initiative. John has published three books and hundreds of scholarly articles on issues including urban fragility, international security, organized crime, conflict prevention and cybersecurity. John is a frequent speaker at international events and an advisor to G7 governments, the OECD, the United Nations and the World Bank, among others.
	LGen (retired) Stuart Beare, CMM, MSC, MSM, CD
	Strategic Advisor, Defense and Public Safety, Accenture
	LGen (retired) Stu Beare feels very privileged and proud to have served 36 years alongside great Canadians in and out of uniform. His last assignment before retiring from our Armed Forces was Commander Canadian Joint Operations Command. There, he and his team across Canada and around the world were responsible for the anticipation of, preparation for, and conduct of operations at home and internationally – alongside scores of interagency and international partners. Over his career, he too deployed and served extensively in domestic and international missions – including in NATO in Germany, the UN in Cyprus and Croatia, commanding NATO troops in Bosnia, and leading coalition forces in Afghanistan.
	Today Stu is a Strategic Advisor, Defense and Public Safety, with Accenture – in Canada and globally. There he serves in new ways - from the intersection of industry and Defense, Military, Law Enforcement and other national security and public safety professions and institutions – in particular in leveraging the best of Digital transformation to power everyone in everything – from military, public safety and national security operations to the corporate space.
	He remains a supporter of and is engaged in the extended family of our serving military and veterans as Chair of the Board for Soldiers Helping Soldiers – a young, national Not-for-Profit that serves to find, connect with, and connect homeless Veterans to those who can help them, and as ambassador with Support our Troops – the official charity of the Canadian Armed Forces and

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	Lieutenant-Colonel with the 2ieme Regiment d'artillerie de campagne in Montreal. And he is Patron to the Roman Catholic Military Ordinariate in Canada.
	Derek Dobson Defence and Federal Public Safety Leader, Microsoft
	Derek is Microsoft's sector leader for defence, intelligence and public safety in Canada. He has 30 years of international in the defence, national security and technology industries having served as an officer in the British Army and the Canadian Armed Forces, and also as the global defence leader for Ernst & Young. Derek holds master's degrees from the University of Edinburgh and the Open University. He is also a graduate of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, the UK Defence Academy and the United States Marine Corps University. Derek was inducted into the Order of the British empire for services to defence digitization and received the Canadian Chief of the Defence Staff's commendation for advances in data analytics.
	Colonel Guy Parisien Director Air Domain Development, Royal Canadian Air Force
	Col Guy Parisien joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 2001 as a Communications and Electronics Engineer. He has enjoyed postings to the Canadian Forces Joint Signals Regiment (2004), the Canadian Forces School of Communications and Electronics (2007), the Royal Military College (2008), Director General Military Careers (2009), 4 Wing Cold Lake (2010), 1 Canadian Air Division (2013) and the Canadian Forces College (2015).
	Upon completion of the Joint Command and Staff Program in 2016 Col Parisien was posted to 1 Canadian Air Division in Winnipeg, Manitoba as the A6 Director where he was responsible for the delivery of integrated communications effects across the Air Force for the Commander.
	In 2018 Col Parisien assumed the position of Commanding Officer of the Aerospace and Telecommunications Engineering Support Squadron in Trenton, Ontario where he was responsible for the provision of specialized engineering, training and production services in support of Air Force operations.

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	Col Parisien had the privilege of Commanding 5 Wing and Canadian Forces Base Goose Bay from 2020 to 2023 where he was responsible for a remote northern airfield supporting the NORAD mission and austere training for the Canadian Forces and allied partners.
	Col Parisien was promoted to his current rank in 2023 and posted to Ottawa where he assumed responsibilities within the RCAF Commander's Staff as the Director of Air Domain Development and is the Occupation Advisor for the CELE and ATIS Tech trades.
	Col Parisien has participated in deployed operations in Afghanistan (2006), Kosovo (2012) and Kuwait (2014) where he was awarded a CJOC Commanders Commendation for exemplary service.
	Col Parisien holds a diploma in Electronics Engineering Technology from St. Lawrence College, and both a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Defence Studies from the Royal Military College of Canada.
	Throughout his career Col Parisien has been supported by his wife Marcella. Both of their children have joined the family business, Nicholas, is undergoing ATIS Tech trg in Kingston, Ontario and Isabelle is attending Memorial University under the ROTP program.
	Keith Pringnitz Senior Director Business Capture, MDA Corporation
	Keith is the Sr. Director of Business Capture for MDA's Geointelligence Non-Space Defence portfolio which supports the Department of Defence (DND) in the majority of their missions.
	Prior to joining MDA 13 years ago, Keith spent 20 years in the RCAF as a Tactical Aviator involved in a number of roles spanning Tactical and Strategic Operations.
	At MDA, Keith focuses on Defence multi-mission, cross domain C4ISR projects and products. MDA's C4ISR solutions cover the complete spectrum from space-based satellite information to manned and unmanned airborne surveillance with an exquisite

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	expertise in providing global multi-domain maritime awareness to DND and International Defence customers.
3:45 – 4:30 PM	B2B Meetings
4:30 – 6:00 PM	Reception & Networking

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9:00 – 10:00 AM	Securing Canada's Critical Infrastructure <u>Moderator</u> : Ken Murphy GM & VP Critical Event Management Platform, Blackberry Ltd.
	Patrick Boucher Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, National and Cyber Security Branch, Public Safety Canada
	Patrick Boucher joined Public Safety Canada as Senior Assistant Deputy Minister (SADM) for the National and Cyber Security Branch (NCSB) at Public Safety Canada in March 2023. As SADM NCSB, he is responsible for supporting and coordinating prevention, detection, denial, and response efforts of the Public Safety Portfolio, and other government departments and agencies, on matters relevant to cyber and national security; working with operational and policy partners to provide the Government with strategic advice on rapidly evolving and often sensitive issues; identifying and closing gaps in Canada's ability to address national security threats; and, coordinating, and developing policies and implementation processes related to issues such as foreign interference, cyber security, foreign investments, critical infrastructure, economic and research security, and counter terrorism.
	Before his appointment to Public Safety Canada, Patrick served as the Senior Assistant Deputy Minister for the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) at Indigenous Services Canada. In that role, he led a large regionally based sector that provided direct health services and supports to First Nations, Inuit, and Metis partners. His mandate was to provide effective, sustainable, and culturally-appropriate health programs and services, including: direct primary health care and emergency services to communities; public health and community-based health promotion and programming; capital funding for health facilities; supplementary health benefits to First Nations and Inuit across the country; and, work to promote alignment between federal, provincial and territorial health systems, with the ultimate goal of transferring control of health programs and services to Indigenous partners. He also led efforts on a variety of major Government of Canada priorities related to reconciliation, including Indigenous Health Legislation, Health System's Transformation, Anti-Indigenous Racism in health systems and provided overall leadership in responding to the COVID-19 global pandemic impacting Indigenous communities.

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	Prior to that role, he was the Vice-President and Chief Transformation Officer at the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) where he was responsible for providing overall leadership for the Agency's Transformation agenda. He and his team were responsible for driving change and providing overall stewardship for CBSA's Transformation Agenda; ensuring that inter-dependencies were known and understood; supporting horizontal collaboration; fostering innovation; and supporting the Agency's culture shift and change management priorities. Prior to joining the CBSA, he served at Justice Canada (2017 to 2019) where he led a multi-disciplinary team that collaborated with colleagues from across government to ensure that the Crown was fulfilling its constitutional and international human rights obligations, including Aboriginal and treaty rights. He also supported the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada in fulfilling mandate commitments towards advancing
	reconciliation and achieving a renewed nation-to-nation relationship between the Crown and Indigenous Peoples. From 2009 to 2017, he served in various key Director General positions at Public Safety Canada - most recently as Director General for Critical Infrastructure and Strategic Coordination in the National and Cyber Security Branch.
	He is a proud citizen of the Métis Nation, is a dedicated and passionate public servant, a recipient of the Public Service Award of Excellence - for having demonstrated excellence in achieving results for Canadians while demonstrating key leadership competencies, and is a recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal - which was awarded to Canadians who have made outstanding and exemplary contributions to their communities and to Canada as a whole.
	Joanne Garrah Acting Assistant Secretary for Emergency Preparedness, Privy Council Office
	Joanne Garrah was appointed as Assistant Secretary in March 2023. The Emergency Preparedness Secretariat is responsible for supporting the Minister of Emergency Preparedness, and supporting oversight to the federal emergency management community.

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	Prior to joining the Privy Council Office, Joanne was the Director General of the Licensing and Medical Access Directorate in the Controlled Substances and Cannabis Branch at Health Canada. She was responsible for overseeing commercial licensing of cannabis following legalization of cannabis in 2018. Joanne has held several other senior positions in the federal public service, including at Health Canada, PCO, and Treasury Board Secretariat.
	Bill Ulicny Head of Directorate, Safety & Security, Canadian Nuclear Labs
	Bill Ulicny is a Senior R&D and Innovation Manager with over 20 years of experience in the national security sector supporting strategy and capability development for Government agencies. He currently provides scientific leadership of a Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Science & Technology (S&T) portfolio that includes a wide range of S&T research and technical services focused on nuclear safety and national security, such as CBRNE sensory systems, nuclear forensics, emergency planning and response, and the cyber resiliency of critical infrastructure.
	He served as Chief Operating Officer and acting Deputy Director for Cyber Intelligence for the US Department of Energy's Intelligence Community element, focused on securely provisioning technology to the geographically-dispersed DOE intelligence enterprise and providing intelligence analysis on potential threats to the Department and critical energy infrastructure.
	He has led the development of mission and R&D strategic plans that guided a US\$150 million budget (annual) whole-of- government approach to nuclear forensics and attribution, including the design and implementation of US\$30-\$75 million capability development programs and corporate governance measures for US Government organizations that significantly advanced the nation's ability to reliably identify and mitigate nuclear threats.
	Previous to his government service, Bill worked for a number of
	private sector organizations focused on contract support to
	government agencies in the areas of policy and guidance development, program management, and R&D.
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1:45PM-2:30PM	The Race for Space
	<u>Moderator</u> : Peter Studer Senior Partner, CFN Consultants
	Brigadier-General Michael Adamson
	CD Commandor 3 Canadian Space Division, Royal Canadian Air Force
	Brigadier-General G. Michael (Mike) Adamson joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1993 after completing his BA in Political Science & Int'l Affairs from Carleton University [Ottawa, ON].
	Upon receiving his Navigator's Wings in 1995, he was posted to 405 (Long Range Patrol) Squadron in Greenwood, Nova Scotia where he served as a CP- 140(A) Nav/Com and Crew Commander. In 2001 he was posted to 404 (Maritime Patrol & Training) Squadron as an Instructor, finishing his tour as Chief Aircrew Instructor.
	Promoted to Major in 2004, Adamson was transferred to National Defence Headquarters [Ottawa] as the Career Manager for LRP Navigators. In 2007, he attended the Joint Command and Staff Program, followed by a staff position conducting an Occupation Review for the Air Navigator trade. In January 2009, he returned to 405 Long Range Patrol (LRP) Squadron as DCO.
	In 2010, Adamson was posted to National Defence Headquarters as a Staff Officer while completing his Masters in Defence Studies at RMC Kingston, and was promoted to Lieutenant- Colonel in January 2011. He then deployed to CMF Bahrain as Chief of the Air Coordination Element supporting Maritime Security and Counter-Piracy operations. Upon return to Canada he was appointed CO of 405 (LRP) Squadron in 2012.

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	In 2014 he returned to Ottawa as the Executive Assistant to the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff. Promoted to Colonel in 2015, Adamson was posted to Chief of Force Development as Director C4ISR.
	Adamson returned to Nova Scotia in 2017 as Wing Commander 14 Wing Greenwood.
	In 2019, BGen Adamson was selected to attend the National Securities Program [Canadian Forces College, Toronto], and upon completion in June 2020 was promoted to his current rank and assumed responsibilities as RCAF Director General Space and the Joint Force Space Component Commander. On 22 July 22, with the stand-up of the new 3 Canadian Space Division, BGen Adamson became the inaugural Commander of the division.
	Daniel Schulten
	Director of Business Development, Airbus Defence and Space
	Daniel Schulten is the Airbus Global Business Development Director for Space based in Ottawa, ON.
	Prior to joining Airbus, Daniel has been responsible for business development of several space programs both at MacDonald Dettwiler and Associates (MDA) in Canada and Space Systems Loral (SSL) in the US.
	In 1998, Daniel attended the International Space University Summer Session in Cleveland, Ohio. He has a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering of the University of Twente in the Netherlands.
	Ewan Reid
	CEO, Mission Control Space Services
	Prior to founding Mission Control, Ewan was a subsystem design lead for the development of three rover prototypes for the CSA. He was a mission controller for ten of the last twelve Space Shuttle missions at Mission Control at NASA JSC and conducted

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	numerous pre-mission launch pad tests at NASA KSC. He has also supported flight programs for ESA and JAXA. Ewan has degrees in Electrical Engineering and Economics from
	Queen's University, a Master's degree in Technology Innovation Management at Carleton University and is an alumnus and adjunct faculty member at the International Space University.
	Ewan has published multiple opinion pieces on Canada's role in space exploration in the Globe and Mail. Ewan is treasurer and serves on the board of directors for Space Canada. Ewan is
	committed to inspiring the next generation to always keep exploring.
2:30PM-3:00PM	The Potential of Quantum Sensing in Defence Applications
	Nick Werstiuk
	CEO, Quantum Valley Ideas Lab
	Nick Werstiuk is the Chief Executive Officer of Quantum Valley Ideas Lab, leading the strategy and growth of the applied quantum research lab based in Waterloo, Canada. Prior to joining Ideas Lab in 2020, Mr. Werstiuk was Director of AI Offerings at IBM, where he led an AI product portfolio and IBM Spectrum Computing, driving a large portfolio of products in HPC, AI, and Cloud-based services.
	His broad expertise, across a range of company sizes and stages from start-up to large multi-national, includes product management, development, corporate strategy, and identifying growth markets to drive research towards commercial success. In addition to driving product innovation, he played a leadership role in the acquisition of Platform Computing by IBM.
	Mr. Werstiuk graduated with Honours from the University of Toronto with a Bachelor of Applied Science in Electrical Engineering.
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