



MEDIA ADVISORY

**Defense Intelligence Agency Director Lt. Gen. Robert Ashley
to Headline *Defense One* Tech Summit**

*Event to explore advancements in U.S. military tech and weaponry for the next
generation of warfare*

Tuesday, June 26; 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
The Newseum — Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. (June 20, 2018) — [Defense One](#), the leading provider of news and information to the national security and defense communities, will host its **[third annual Tech Summit](#)** on June 26. Leading voices and thinkers in government, industry, academia, and Silicon Valley will gather at the day-long event in Washington D.C., which will serve as a forum on the evolution of weaponry, aircraft, robotics and cybersecurity in warfare and strategic military operations.

Speakers will explore topics covering the intersection of information technology and national security, next-generation U.S. military technology and aircraft, emerging cyber threats, the future of intelligence gathering, and the Defense Department's latest efforts to drive innovation. Featured speakers include:

- **Lt. Gen. Robert Ashley**, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
- **Mary Miller**, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering
- **James “Hondo” Geurts**, Acquisition Chief, U.S. Navy
- **RADM David J. Hahn**, Chief of Naval Research, Office of Naval Research
- **Dr. Richard Joseph**, Chief Scientist, U.S. Air Force
- **Christopher Barrett**, Executive Director, VA Tech Biocomplexity Institute
- **Chris Taylor**, CEO, Govini
- **Essye Miller**, Principal Deputy, Department of Defense CIO
- **Dr. Jason Matheny**, Director, IARPA
- **Maj. Gen. William Hix**, Deputy Director, Army Modernization Command Task Force

- **Sean Roche**, Associate Deputy Director for Innovation, CIA
- **Joshua Marcuse**, Executive Director, Defense Innovation Board
- **Dr. Shawn Powers**, Executive Director for The Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, Department of State
- **Christina Monaco**, Chief Ventures Officer, Office of Ventures and Innovation, NGA
- **Chris Lynch**, Director, Defense Digital Service
- **Mark Tapper**, Special Adviser to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, U.S. Air Force
- **Heather Roff**, Associate Fellow, Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge
- **Capt. Sean Heritage**, Acting Managing Partner, Defense Innovation Unit Experimental

This year's Tech Summit will again feature the **D Lab**, a host of interactive demonstrations to showcase some of the most state-of-the art technologies in the defense space today. Exhibitors in the D Lab will include **IBM, Lockheed Martin, Data Robot, DRS Technologies, Cisco, Citrix, Dexter Edward, Orbital Insight, and SparkCognition.**

Attendees are invited to join us for a post-event networking reception at the Newseum immediately following the Tech Summit. The reception is underwritten by Cisco.

Media interested in attending the Tech Summit should RSVP to Brandon Stallings at bstallings@atlanticmedia.com.

EVENT DETAILS:

What: [***The Defense One Tech Summit***](#)

When: Tuesday, June 26; 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Where: [***The Newseum***](#) (555 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20001)

Livestream:

<https://www.defenseone.com/feature/defense-one-tech-summit-2018-livestream/>

The full event agenda and additional details are available here:

<https://www.defenseone.com/feature/defense-one-tech-summit-2018/#details>

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