

# Florida Defense Science & Technology Symposium (FDSTS)

## Thursday, October 17, 2024 - Slides linked to Session title

13:20 to 14:15

[Keynote Presentation: Why work with DoD?](#) Lisa Sanders, *Director of Science and Technology for Special Operations Forces*, US Special Operations Command

14:15 to 15:00

[How to build relationships with a DoD Program Officer, a faculty perspective](#)  
Norma Alcantar, *Associate Dean for Research*, University of South Florida

15:30 to 16:15

[How to Prepare White Paper and Quad Chart for DoD](#)  
Peter Delfyett, *Professor*, University of Central Florida

17:00 to 17:30

[Minerva Grant](#). Stephen Fiore, *Professor & Director*, University of Central Florida

## Friday, October 18, 2024 - Slides linked to Session title

9:00 to 9:30

[Keynote: Opportunities for Collaborating with DEVCOM Army Research Laboratory to Advance Global Security](#), Lisa Troyer, *Branch Chief*, DEVCOM ARL Army Research Office

10:30 to 11:00

Panel presentation #1:

- [Simulation and Training Technology Center, CCDC SC](#), Ivan M. Martinez, *Director*

11:00 to 11:20

[DARPA](#): Stefanie Tompkins, *Director*, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

11:30 to 12:15

Panel Presentation #2:

- [DARPA](#), Alvaro Velasquez, *Program Manager*
- [Air Force Research Laboratory](#), Timothy Bunning, *Chief Technology Officer*

14:30 to 15:00

[The Florida High Tech Corridor Opportunities and How to Take Advantage of It:](#)  
Paul Sohl, *Rear Adm. (USN Ret)*, CEO, Florida High Tech Corridor

15:00 to 15:30

- [IST and UCF Pegasus Research Institute](#), Scott Dillon, *Associate Director*
- [USF Institute of Applied Engineering](#), Brad Chedister,

