

# FORUM AGENDA

#### PRE-EVENT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022

#### 1400 - 1900 PRE-REGISTRATION

Ballroom Foyer Pre-registration will be available at the Forum location, The Guam Convention Center, on the 6th floor of the Dusit Thani Guam Resort. Assistance in downloading and navigating the conference Whova app will be provided.

**1700 - 1900** HAFA ADAI WELCOME RECEPTION Dusit Thani Guam Resort Lobby Lounge All registrants are invited to meet, relax and network.

#### DAY1 MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022

0700 – 0830 FORUM REGISTRATION Ballroom Foyer

#### 0830 - 0950 OPENING REMARKS Grand Ballroom

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Forum Opening: Pledge of Allegiance, National Anthem, Guam Hymn

Welcoming remarks: SAME Guam Post will welcome participants and provide a brief overview of the forum.

The development of military and strategic facilities in the Western Pacific is continuing. Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, U.S. Navy, Commander, Joint Region Marianas, publicly stated that continuing military construction will entail \$1.2 to \$2 billion a year for the next seven to eight years on Guam and the Western Pacific. Guam and the Marianas as well as other Micronesian islands are experiencing the largest U.S. defense design, construction, supply, and service initiatives in recent history.

Mr. Charles Hazzard III, President, SAME Guam Post

Welcoming Remarks: Guam's Governor will welcome the participants and express what the expansion of military and commercial development will mean for Guam.

The Honorable Lourdes Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam

Remarks from the Government of Japan, Ministry of Defense: A project overview of the Guam Relocation Project will be provided along with the status of Japanese funding for the relocation of military assets from Japan to Guam. The presentation will focus on the nature of this unique Japan-U.S. collaboration as well as the public-private collaboration required to successfully complete the required construction activity.

**Ms. Ayumi Sakaguchi**, Technical and Estimate Team Leader, Guam Relocation Project Office, USFJ Cooperation Division, Bureau of Local Cooperation, Ministry of Defense (MOD), Japan

Remarks from the U.S. Navy: Joint Region Marianas will explain the Navy's role in the development of military and strategic facilities in the Western Pacific and the scope and duration of the program.

**Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson**, U.S. Navy, Commander, Joint Region Marianas



#### 0950 - 1020 NETWORKING BREAK Ballroom Foyer: Exhibits Open Sponsored by AECOM

#### 1020 - 1130 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION OUTLOOK FOR GUAM, THE CNMI AND MICRONESIA Grand Ballroom

The proposed investment by the military in expanding the role of Guam, the CNMI and Micronesia as training and national security installations in the region will be discussed. Projects planned for the region will be identified and discussed including service and maintenance contracts.

**Mr. Will Boudra**, Director, GPMO, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command (NAVFAC) Pacific

Captain Robert Stiles, PE, CEC, USN, Commanding Officer, OICC Marine Corps Marianas Captain Troy Brown, PE, CEC, USN, Commanding Officer, NAVFAC Marianas

#### 1135 - 1235 LUNCH

Grand Ballroom: Exhibits Open Sponsored by **Baker-Stanley-Cardno Joint Venture** 

### 1235 - 1305 PLENARY PRESENTATION

Grand Ballroom

The role of Guam, the Marianas and Micronesia in the defense posture in the Indo-Pacific Region

As the United States focuses its national security interests in the Indo-Pacific region, we will discuss why Guam, the CNMI and infrastructure in Micronesia are critical to the security of the region. International tensions are high and the importance of being prepared cannot be overstated. The scope and timing of the defense and commercial investment that is planned will be explained in the context of the overall strategic interests of the United States and its partners in the region. Also, the military and the federal government's expectations of the program will be explained.

Ms. Suzanne Vares-Lum, President, East-West Center

#### 1305 - 1410 CONTRACTING PROCESSES, THE CHALLENGES AND LESSONS LEARNED Grand Ballroom

Presentation on the standard competitive bidding/proposal processes and procedures, as well as protest procedures and debriefing procedures. In addition, issues of escalating costs of construction in the region will be addressed.

Moderator: **Ms. Vera Topasna**, Executive Director, Community Defense Liason Office, Office of the Governor of Guam

Mr. Eugene Diaz, Chief of Contracting Office, NAVFAC Marianas Ms. Norma Borja, Small Business Advisor, NAVFAC Marianas Master Sergeant David C. White, Section Chief, Base Infrastructure, 36th Contracting Squadron, 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base



#### 1410 - 1440 **NETWORKING BREAK** Ballroom Foyer: Exhibits Open Sponsored by Guam Chamber of Commerce

#### 1440 - 1545 INSTALLATION COMMANDER / COMMANDING OFFICER (PANEL DISCUSSION) Grand Ballroom

The base commanders will provide an overview of the projects planned on each of their bases. Additionally they will describe the roles and responsibilities of the various base operations and engineering organizations under there purview as well as how base access is provided for personnel including vehicle inspection and limitations created due to contingencies. Finally, the commanders will outline their expectations for each project site in terms of management and access.

Moderator: Mr. Noel Enriquez, Director, SAME Guam Post

Captain Michael Luckett, USN, Commanding Officer, Naval Base Guam Colonel Christopher Bopp, USMC, Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz Brigadier General Paul Birch, USAF, Commander, 36th Wing, Andersen Air Force Base

#### DOING BUSINESS AND TEAMING ON GUAM AND THE MARIANAS 1545 - 1715 (PANEL DISCUSSION)

Grand Ballroom

Guam, like any place you do business, has requirements and expectations of the companies that work here. Learn about the tax, regulatory and incentives that are available to companies that are selected to participate in the relocation projects. A key component of this session will be a discussion about how teaming agreements can be used for partnerships as well as SBA regulatory updates, and the application of Small Business goals for foreign contracts.

Moderator: Mr. Ernie Galito, Board of Directors, Guam Chamber of Commerce

Mrs. Catherine Castro, President, Guam Chamber of Commerce Mr. William Beery, Chairman of the Board, Guam Contractors Association Ms. Melanie Mendiola, Administrator, Guam Economic Development Authority Mr. Kenneth Lujan, Branch Manager, SBA Guam Branch Office Mr. Boris Hertslet, Program Manager, Guam Procurement and Technical Assistance Center Mrs. Dafne Shimizu, Director, Guam Department of Revenue & Taxation

#### 1715 - 1730 **DAY 1 WRAP-UP**

Grand Ballroom

The key takeaways from the sessions on the first day will be discussed and summarized.

CDR Joshua Lewis, CEC, USN, Assistant Regional Engineer, Joint Region Marianas

#### 1730 - 2000 **NETWORKING MIXER**

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#### DAY 2 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022

#### 0800 - 0815 DAY TWO OPENING REMARKS

Grand Ballroom

The Society of American Military Engineers plays an integral role in linking communities and businesses to meet the engineering needs of the U.S. military. The SAME national representative will explain the mission of SAME and its role in the construction and engineering industry and U.S. National Security.

Mr. Rob Biedermann, Director of Industry-Government Engagement & Programs, SAME

### 0815 – 0915 CYBERSECURITY BRIEF

Grand Ballroom

Cybersecurity certification requirements for doing business with the military in Guam and certification requirements for specific projects will be discussed.

Ms. Faith Blakeslee, NAVFAC Marianas Command Information Systems Security Manager

#### 0915 - 1015 WHAT YOUR COMPANY NEEDS TO KNOW

Grand Ballroom

Subject matter experts will present relevant information and answer questions. The latest information regarding regulatory, environmental permitting and consultations, archeological requirements, including Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC) / Unexploded Ordnance (UXO), needed to make your bid compliant will be provided. In addition to schedule changes and change order procedures will be discussed. The use of modular construction and design as well as in-situ soil testing and the use of innovative technology such as drones will be discussed. In addition, buy American policies will be discussed along with COVID-19 requirements.

Moderator: Mr. Scott Thompson, Director, SAME Guam Post

Captain Brian G. Bearden, MS, PE, BCEE, Chief Engineer, Guam Environmental Protection Agency Mr. Mark Roys, MEC Program Manager, NAVFAC Marianas Mr. Albert Borja, Environmental Director, MCBCB Mr. John Salas, PE, Regional Environmental Director, NAVFAC Marianas

#### 1015 - 1045 NETWORKING BREAK Ballroom Foyer: Exhibits Open

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#### 1045 - 1220 PORTS OF ENTRY AND LOGISTICS (PANEL DISCUSSION) Grand Ballroom

Logistics will be a key component to successful execution of projects in Guam. Learn what you need to know about shipping, both air and sea freight, and what Guam Customs will require when you ship materials and equipment to Guam. Also, supply chain issues will also be discussed as well as transport options between Guam, Tinian, Saipan, Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia will be discussed.



Moderator: Mr. Agapito "Pete" Diaz, Director, SAME Guam Post

Mr. Rory Respicio, Director, Port Authority of Guam
Mr. John "JQ" Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority
Chief Vincent SN Perez, Chief of Customs, Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency
Mr. Stephen Gatewood, Sales & Customer Service Manager - Guam & Micronesia, Matson, Inc.
Mr. Gary Iribarren, General Manager, Seabridge, Inc.

### 1220 - 1320 LUNCH

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## 1320 - 1350 PLENARY PRESENTATION

Grand Ballroom

ASTRO America President Neal Orringer will explain how 3D printing is revolutionizing manufacturing across the Defense industrial base and the potential it offers to Guam. With Industrial 3D printing, Air Force personnel are building flight-critical jet engine parts within days that otherwise take months to requisition. The Navy is exploring 3D printing to repair structural ship components and building parts "on-demand." In Guam, a remote Pacific island with great military significance, these capabilities could be game-changing, overcoming logistical challenges and reducing requisition times by 90%. Moreover, 3D printing is becoming available to new industries, including potential concrete/building applications. For this reason, ASTRO America has been commissioned to analyze the feasibility of establishing industrial 3D printing in Guam.

Mr. Neal J. Orringer, President, Applied Science & Technology Research Organization of America

#### 1350 - 1515 EDUCATING AND BUILDING A WORKFORCE ON GUAM (PANEL DISCUSSION) Grand Ballroom

Training and apprenticeship programs and incentives available to maximize Guam and U.S. workforce participation in the relocation projects will be presented.

Moderator: Ms. Doyon Morato, Member, SAME Guam Post

**Dr. Bert Johnston**, Director, GCA Trades Academy **Dr. Anita Borja Enriquez**, Senior Vice President and Provost, Chair, Advancement Steering Committee, University of Guam **Mr. Juan Flores**, Coordinator, American Job Center, Guam Department of Labor

#### 1515 - 1545 NETWORKING BREAK

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#### 1545 - 1615 LABOR FORCE UPDATES Grand Ballroom

The latest news regarding H-2 and H-1 visa regulations will be presented. What changes are coming to Guam regarding how the government regulates the number of H2B permits will be explained.



**Mr. Greg Massey**, Administrator, Alien Labor Processing and Certification Division, Guam Department of Labor **Mr. Nelson Xu**, Partner, Baumann, Xu and Black, LLC

1615 - 1730 COMMERCIAL AND PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Grand Ballroom

The commercial and public investment contracts expected to be let because of federal infrastructure, and commercial investment over the next five years in Guam and the Marianas. Also, the impact that the military construction plans are having on the cost of local construction projects, labor availability as well as rents and other housing impacts.

Moderator: **Mr. Joseph "Joe" Patterson**, PE, Sr. Construction Engineer, NAVFAC Marianas DC5, Design and Construction Business Line

Ms. Siska Hutapea, President, Cornerstone Valuation Guam
Mr. Tamio "Tom" Clark, Representative, Guam Association of Realtors
Ms. Vera Topasna, Executive Director, Community Defense Liason Office, Office of the Governor of Guam
Mr. Vincent Arriola, Director, Department of Public Works Guam

#### 1730 - 1745 CONFERENCE WRAP-UP Grand Ballroom

Two days of information will be summarized, and questions will be fielded to ensure that output from the forum is understood. Where to find the latest program information available will be provided to participants.

CDR Joshua Lewis, CEC, USN, Assistant Regional Engineer, Joint Region Marianas

#### 1745 - 2000 NETWORKING MIXER

All registrants are invited to meet, relax and network. Bamboo Bar at the Dusit Beach Resort Lobby Sponsored by **Guam Economic Development Authority** 





#### DAY 3 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2022

### 0800 - 1200 WINDOW TOUR OF KEY PROJECT SITES

Project Sites

Registered participants will visit key Department of Defense project sites. There will be staff on each bus to give an overview and answer questions. This add-on bus tour is limited to the first 200 registrants. Meet at the Dusit Thani Guam Resort main entrance on the ground floor level at 0715. Transportation to the golf tournament or to the Dusit Thani Guam Resort will be provided after the tour.

#### 1100 - 1900 CHARLIE CORN SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

STARTS Guam Golf Resort, Dededo

SAME Guam Post invites forum participants to take advantage of another great networking event - the annual Charlie Corn Scholarship Golf Tournament at STARTS Guam Golf Resort. Now in its 40th year, the event raises money for a scholarship fund that benefits engineering or architecture students from Guam, the Marianas, and Micronesia islands. The tournament's format is a two-person select ball (scramble) with a Peoria Handicapping System. For Window Tour participants, transportation to the golf tournament and return to the Dusit Thani Guam Resort will be provided.