

# S.A.M.E. Forum Agenda 2024

## PRE-EVENT

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024

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

### HÅFA ADAI WELCOME RECEPTION

Ballroom Foyer

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All registrants are invited to meet, relax and network.

## DAY 1

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024

0700 - 0830

### FORUM REGISTRATION

Ballroom Foyer

0830 - 0900

### OPENING REMARKS

Grand Ballroom

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

Welcoming remarks: S.A.M.E. Guam Post will welcome participants and provide an overview of the forum.

**Ms. Jenny Bowers**, President, S.A.M.E. President Guam Post (confirmed)

Welcoming Remarks: Guam's Governor will welcome the participants and provide her thoughts on what the U.S. Government and commercial investment will mean for Guam.

**Governor of Guam** (unconfirmed)

Remarks from Joint Task Force Micronesia will provide an overview of the Department of Defense's investment plans for military and strategic facilities in the Western Pacific and the scope and duration of the program.

**U.S. Navy, Commander, Joint Task Force – Micronesia** (unconfirmed)

0900 - 1000

### NETWORKING BREAK

Ballroom Foyer

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**1000 - 1200**

**THE SUPPORT OF REGIONAL AND FEDERAL LEADERSHIP (PANEL DISCUSSION)**

Grand Ballroom

The importance of U.S. Government investment in boosting the defense, security and resiliency of the region from the perspective of regional leaders will be discussed. The panelists will discuss the importance of the military construction program while assisting the host communities overcome infrastructure, economic, and job creation challenges host communities are facing.

Moderator: **Ms. Jenny Bowers**, President, S.A.M.E. Post Guam (confirmed)

**Governor of Guam** (unconfirmed)

**Governor of CNMI** (unconfirmed)

**President of Palau** (unconfirmed)

**The Honorable James Moylan**, Delegate to U.S. House of Representatives, Guam (confirmed)

**Delegate to U.S. House of Representatives, CNMI** (unconfirmed)

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**1200 - 1300**

**LUNCH**

Grand Ballroom

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**1300 - 1330**

**PLENARY PRESENTATION**

Grand Ballroom

The role of Guam, the Marianas and Micronesia for defense efforts 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 and the nation. International tensions are high and the importance of being prepared cannot be overstated. The scope and timing of the planned defense and infrastructure investment will be explained in the context of the overall strategic interests of the United States and its partners in the region. The military and the federal government's expectations of the program will also be explained.

**Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command** (unconfirmed)

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**1330 - 1500**

**MILITARY CONSTRUCTION OUTLOOK FOR GUAM, CNMI, AND MICRONESIA**

Grand Ballroom

The proposed investment by the Department of Defense in expanding the role of Guam, the CNMI and Micronesia for training and infrastructure improvements in the region will be discussed. Projects planned for the region will be highlighted and discussed to include construction, service, supply and maintenance contracts.

Moderator: **Mr. Noel Enriquez**, Director, S.A.M.E. Guam Post (confirmed)

**Captain Brent Paul**, Vice Commander, NAVFAC Pacific (confirmed)  
**Commanding Officer, NAVFAC Marianas or Representative** (unconfirmed)  
**Captain Blake Burket**, Commanding Officer, OICC MCM (confirmed)  
**Colonel Kevin Osborne**, Command Civil Engineer, PACAF (confirmed)  
**Commander, 36<sup>th</sup> CES, AAFB or Representative** (unconfirmed)

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**1500 - 1530**

**NETWORKING BREAK**

Ballroom Foyer

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**1530 - 1700**

**INSTALLATION COMMANDER/COMMANDING OFFICER (PANEL DISCUSSION)**

Grand Ballroom, Dusit Thani Guam Resort

The base commanders will provide an overview of the projects planned on each of their bases. They will describe the roles and responsibilities of the various base operations and engineering organizations under their 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. Charlie Perham**, Past S.A.M.E. National President (confirmed)

**Commander, JRM or Representative** (unconfirmed)  
**Commander, 36<sup>th</sup> Wing, AAFB or Representative** (unconfirmed)  
**Commanding Officer, NBG or Representative** (unconfirmed)  
**Commanding Officer, MCBCB or Representative** (unconfirmed)

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**1700 - 1715**

**DAY ONE WRAP-UP**

Grand Ballroom, Dusit Thani Guam Resort

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

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**1715 - 1900**

**NETWORKING MIXER**

Ballrooms A and B, Dusit Thani Guam Resort

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DAY 2

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2024

0830 - 0815

**OPENING REMARKS**

Grand Ballroom

The Society of American Military Engineers (S.A.M.E.) plays an integral role in linking communities and businesses to meet the engineering needs of the U.S. Department of Defense. The S.A.M.E. national representative will explain the mission of S.A.M.E. and its role in the construction and engineering industry and U.S. National Security.

**Mr. Charlie Perham**, Past S.A.M.E. National President (confirmed)

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0815 - 1015

**INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES & CONCERNS**

Grand Ballroom

The Department of Defense is actively working with the governments of the region to harden and improve the resiliency of military installations and vital infrastructure. Of particular note are opportunities associated with power and water infrastructure upgrades that are planned. At the same time, contractors need to be aware of the environmental, UXO, security and archeological regulations that must be adhered to in order to meet both federal and local governmental regulations.

Moderator: **Mr. Scott Thompson**, Director, S.A.M.E. Guam Post (confirmed)

**Commissioner, Consolidate Commission on the Utilities** (unconfirmed)

**Cyber and Facilities Security Representative** (unconfirmed)

**Administrator, Guam Environmental Protection Agency** (unconfirmed)

**Program Manager, Munitions and Explosives of Concern** (unconfirmed)

**Mr. Albert Borja**, Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz, Regional Environmental Director for Guam (confirmed)

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1015 - 1045

**NETWORKING BREAK**

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1045 - 1200

**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 be discussed as well as transport options between Guam, Tinian, Saipan, Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia will be discussed.

Moderator: **Lieutenant Commander, USN** (unconfirmed)

**Surface Shipping:**

**Mr. Hans Sholley**, Operations Manager, Guam & Micronesia Matson (confirmed)

**Mr. Jack Scogin**, General Manager, American President Lines (confirmed)

**Air Shipping:**

**Representative of United Airlines** (unconfirmed)

**Airport Capacity:**

**Dr. Artemio Ricky Hernandez**, Deputy Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (confirmed)

**Port Capacity in Guam:**

**Mr. Rory Respicio**, General Manager Port Authority of Guam (confirmed)

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**1200 - 1300**

**LUNCH**

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**1300 - 1330**

**PLENARY PRESENTATION**

Grand Ballroom

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**1330 - 1500**

**WORKFORCE ISSUES**

Grand Ballroom

One of the greatest challenges facing contractors, suppliers, service providers and logisticians is the lack of skilled and available workforce. Hear what the availability of workers locally are, what skills can be found in the region, what actions are being taken to increase and develop the workforce and what the requirements are for importing both H2 and H1 laborers into Guam and the CNMI.

Moderator: **Ms. Ginger Cruz**, Director, S.A.M.E. Guam Post (confirmed)

**H2/H1 Temporary Workforce:**

**Mr. Greg Massey**, Administrator, Alien Labor Processing and Certification Division, Guam Department of Labor (confirmed)

**Mr. Nelson Xu**, Partner, Baumann, Xu and Black, LLC (confirmed)

**Local and Regional Workforce Issues:**

**Dr. Anita Borja Enriquez**, President, University of Guam (confirmed)

**Dr. Mary Okada**, President, Guam Community College (confirmed)

**Dr. Herbert Johnston, Jr.**, Education Director of the Guam Trades Academy (confirmed)

**Housing:**

**Ms. Siska Hutapea**, President, Cornerstone Valuation Guam, Inc. (confirmed)

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**1500 - 1515**

**NETWORKING BREAK**

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**1515 - 1615**

**REGIONAL FACILITIES AND SERVICE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Grand Ballroom

In addition to construction in Guam, the Department of Defense is pursuing construction projects in Tinian, Rota, Yap, Palau and the Philippines. Hear what is planned for these regional areas.

Moderator: **Chief Advisor on Military & Regional Affairs** (unconfirmed)

**Palau and Yap:**

**Commander Engineering Pacific Air forces or Representative** (unconfirmed)

**Tinian and Rota:**

**Special Assistant for Administration in the Governor's office of the CNMI** (unconfirmed)

**Philippines:**

**Head of the Armed Forces' Civil Relations Office or Representative** (unconfirmed)

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**1615 - 1715**

**CIVILIAN CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES**

Grand Ballroom

In addition to military construction, there are many large-scale public and private construction opportunities not directly related to the military throughout the region. Learn what the governments and private sectors are doing that provide additional opportunities.

Moderator: **Ms. Vera Topasna**, Executive Director of the Community Defense Liaison Office, Government of Guam (confirmed)

**Guam:**

**Ms. Melanie Mendiola**, Administrator and Chief Executive Officer, Guam Economic Development Authority (confirmed)

**Saipan:**

**Economic Development Manager, Commonwealth Economic Development Authority (CEDA)** (unconfirmed)

**Philippines:**

**Consulate General** (unconfirmed)

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**1715 - 1730**

**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.

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**1730 - 1900**

**NETWORKING MIXER**

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**DAY 3**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024**

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**0800 - 1200**

**WINDOW TOUR OF KEY PROJECT SITES**

Project Sites

Registered participants will visit key 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.

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**1200 - 1900**

**CHARLIE CORN SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT**

FINEST Guam Golf & Resort, Dededo

S.A.M.E. Guam Post invites forum participants to take advantage of another great networking event - the annual Charlie Corn Scholarship Golf Tournament at FINEST Guam Golf & Resort. Now in its 45th 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.