



Defense Communities National Summit Call for Sessions

ADC's 2017 Defense Communities National Summit will be held June 19-21 in Washington, D.C., and we need your help to make this an exceptional and valuable event.

The Defense Communities National Summit is ADC's largest yearly conference, and its focus is on policy issues. This year's Summit theme is ***Strong Communities. Strong Bases.*** The new administration will bring significant change for our military, affecting our bases and communities. As this new direction takes shape, leaders in Congress and DoD need to understand the role communities, states, regions and other key stakeholders play in supporting installations. This role is shaped through an unending commitment to installations, the men and women who serve our nation, and their families. At the same time, we need to recommit and reinvest in our nation's defense infrastructure as the bedrock of readiness and the foundation for rebuilding our military. Strong communities will build and sustain a strong military, and America's defense communities are ready.

We will cover a wide range of defense policy issues and topics, and invite all ADC members and stakeholders to propose a session for the event program. The session proposals selected through this process will be the foundation for the Summit's agenda.

Summit Tracks

Proposals should address one or more of the following tracks:

- **Base Redevelopment** – Environmental
- **Base Redevelopment** – Economic development
- **Community/Base of the Future** – Future trends and ideas
- **Community and State Strategies** – Advocacy, engagement, fundraising and outreach
- **Defense Policy Trends** – Policy and budget trends, emerging issues, and their impact on missions, installations and communities
- **Defense Industry and Workforce Development**
- **Future BRAC** – Ideas, issues and analysis regarding potential
- **Installation/Infrastructure Management** – Utilities privatization, water and energy security, resource challenges, cyber security and force protection
- **Military Family Readiness** – MWR, education, quality of life and support services



- **Partnerships** - Concepts and trends in public-public and public-private partnerships

Session Guidelines

ADC is an education-focused organization that prides itself on providing high-quality educational opportunities for a diverse set of stakeholders. Please review the following guidelines in developing your session proposal:

- All sessions must be educational. No sales, marketing or product demonstrations are allowed.
- We encourage all sessions to have a mix of military, public and private speakers. No session should feature all speakers from one company.
- New topics, session focus or approaches to ADC topics are encouraged. Speakers who have not been part of previous ADC events strongly are encouraged.
- Session organizers should consider a variety of session formats. Session formats that rely solely on presentations are not encouraged.
- All breakout sessions at this conference are one hour. No time changes will be accepted.
- We encourage session structures that are interactive and involve attendees.
- The deadline to submit a conference session proposal is **March 31, 2017**.
- Only completed submissions will be reviewed (i.e., all fields in the online form must be completed).
- Include as much detail as you are able so the Program Committee can accurately assess the proposal. List as many of your proposed speakers as possible.
- By submitting a session, you are committing to organize the session and provide all of the details ADC requests in the timeline listed below.
- ADC is soliciting proposals for breakout sessions only. This conference will have 3-4 breakout sessions occurring at one time. If you have a recommendation on a general session speaker, please contact ADC directly.
- ADC reserves the right to modify, combine or alter proposed sessions.
- ADC gives priority consideration to members in good standing for sessions at the conference. Submissions from non-members will be considered based on the overall content needs of the event.
- Military personnel are encouraged to submit session proposals and will be given the same priority as ADC members. To qualify, military submissions need to have an organizer with a .mil address.



Please fill out the information on the following page and email it to Matt Borron at mborron@defensecommunities.org. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at (202) 822-5256.

Session Timeline

March 31, 2017 – this form is due

April 28, 2017 – ADC staff has had a planning meeting/call with panel organizer

May 26, 2017 – all speakers must be confirmed

June 2, 2017 – all panel details finalized (including but not limited to: speakers, presentations, travel, registration, audio/visual requirements, special considerations)

Session Organizer Information

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

I am an ADC member in good standing

I am military personnel

Session Information

SESSION ABSTRACT:



SESSION TRACK:

SESSION FORMAT:

MODERATOR:

Self

Other

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

PROPOSED SPEAKERS:

NAME: _____

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Please summarize how this session would be valuable to ADC attendees: