



SENEAIA February 2021 e-Newsletter

From the Executive Director:

Please join me in welcoming our new employees, Carolyn Finn and Timothy Fox, to the SENEAIA team.

Carolyn joined SENEAIA in October 2020 as a Program Analyst after 34 years of federal service. She retired from the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Headquarters in September 2020 where she was the Executive Assistant to Senior Civilian and Military Leadership. Carolyn will be the lead for membership management. She looks forward to working with the SENEAIA team, and supporting SENEAIA member companies. Carolyn can be reached at cfinn@senedia.org.

Tim joined SENEAIA in February 2021. As our first Deputy Executive Director, he brings experience in business operations, strategic planning, and maritime operations. Most recently, Tim worked for SENEAIA member company HCH Enterprises, LLC, where he was the lead project manager for Rhode Island's COVID-19 PPE/Supply Response Team. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy and veteran of the U.S. Navy. He is passionate about mentorship opportunities for young people interested in careers in defense and is eager to support SENEAIA's efforts in workforce development. Tim can be reached at tfox@senedia.org.

As we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, remember to check your state's website for relevant resources:

- [Connecticut](#)
- [Massachusetts](#)
- [Rhode Island](#)

Please read below for some items of interest to SENEAIA member companies and the regional defense cluster.

Best,
Molly Donohue Magee

SENEAIA Member Spotlight: Research and Development Solutions, Inc. (RDSI)

What is your company's history?

RDSI is a professional services company performing a wide range of engineering, technical, training,

monitoring and program & fiscal management services, solving problems for the Government, Public Safety and Commercial Innovation customers. RDSI is a Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) employing more than 80 team members. Headquartered in McLean, Virginia, RDSI has branch offices in Middletown, Rhode Island; Pawcatuck, Connecticut; and San Diego, California.

What services and/or products does your company provide?

RDSI offers product and service support in the following areas: Systems Engineering; Design and Integration; Test and Evaluation; Training Solutions; Shipboard Fabrications and Installation; Program and Financial Management; Logistics and Configuration Management; Lifecycle Support Sustainment; Advanced Technology Design and Integration; and New Technologies and Material Applications. When working with RDSI, your project receives the right mix of resources and skills to enhance program outcomes, ongoing cost evaluations and reductions and continuous innovation to deliver customer satisfaction.

Why do you consider membership in SENEDIA valuable?

RDSI's Membership and long relationship with SENEDIA is essential to maintain connectivity with thought leadership and innovation in undersea technology, cybersecurity and defense technologies. SENEDIA provides the link to valuable information about the future needs of the Navy, especially for a small business with limited resources looking to expand its relationships within the local defense environment. SENEDIA's workforce and internships programs have been of tremendous benefit to RDSI helping us maintain the needed interest and synergies required to compete in the southeastern New England defense sector.

If a company wants to do business with yours, whom should they contact?

We welcome collaborations and conversations to best meet customer's needs. Feel free to reach out to: John Evans, President, j.evans.rhode@RDSI.com
Robert Siegel, Vice President, r.siegel.rhode@RDSI.com

Read more about RDSI: [here](#)

NDIA New England Breakfast Series: Leveraging DoD OTAs

April 8th, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

NDIA New England will host representatives from three National Consortiums for a live webinar to share the roles and differentiators of the various OTA Consortiums with a focus on the New England industrial base.

OTA Consortiums & Presenters:

Mr. Charlie Zisette

National Armaments Consortium (NAC) Executive Director

Ms. Molly Donohue Magee

Undersea Technology Innovation Consortium (UTIC) Executive Director

Mr. John Nunziato

SOSSEC Consortium Chief Operating Officer

More information and to register: [here](#)

Opportunity for RI Companies to Learn about Defense and Blue Tech Opportunities in Australia and New Zealand

Informational Webinar:

Date: Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM EDT

Register: [here](#)

Upcoming State of Victoria Australia / U.S. Virtual Trade Mission

Wednesday & Thursday, May 5 & 6, 2021 5:30-7:30 pm (EDT)

For more information contact: Katherine.Therieau@CommerceRI.com

Internship Recruitment

SENEDIA will be recruiting for our undersea technology/engineering, information technology/cybersecurity, and business/supply chain internship programs at the following postsecondary career events:

- URI GSO Career Fair – February 12
- UMass Dartmouth Business, Engineering & Technologies Fair – February 23
- URI Engineering Defense Night – March 1
- URI College of Business Supply Chain Networking – March 9
- URI College of Business Fair – March 26
- Roger Williams University Internship & Career Fair – March 31

If you are interested in building your future workforce with qualified skilled candidates or want to learn more about our internship programs and its benefits, please reach out to our Director of Education Outreach - Linda Larsen, llarsen@senedia.org.

Grow Your Social Enterprise with Social Enterprise Greenhouse's Spring 2021 Impact Accelerator!

This 12-week program provides social entrepreneurs with the tools, networks, and resources to validate their idea, understand their customer, and formalize growth strategies, from fundraising to social impact measurement. It is open to social impact ventures in any industry and will be conducted virtually over Zoom.

Applications are due February 24, 2021

Program begins March 31, 2021

Cost: Pay What You Can! (Normally \$500)

Learn more and apply: [here](#)

SENEDIA is a catalyst for thought leadership and technical innovation in undersea technology, cybersecurity, and other critical defense technologies.

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