



# Federal Technology Symposium

September 9-10, 2025 Fayetteville, North Carolina

## AGENDA

### Tuesday, September 9, 2025

11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b>Fort Bragg Tour: 82nd Airborne Innovation Lab Tour and LTG James M. Gavin Joint Innovation Outpost, Fort Bragg</b>
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>A Fireside Chat: Warfighting Challenges of the Chief Technology Officer</b> <i>Fayetteville Technical Community College, Tony Rand Student Center, 2201 Hull Road, Fayetteville, NC</i>
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Welcome Social</b> <i>Fayetteville Technical Community College, Tony Rand Student Center, 2201 Hull Road, Fayetteville, NC</i>

### Wednesday, September 10, 2025

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7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Exhibitor set-up, registration check-in and networking</b>
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Keynote Remarks</b> US Senator Thom Tillis, North Carolina Scott Dorney, Executive Director, North Carolina Military Business Center A Fireside Chat with Kirstln Riesbeck, Deputy Director, People, Finance and Management, Defense Innovation Unit
9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Forging the Future: Strategic Innovation Pathways for National Defense</b>
10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<b>Networking &amp; Refreshments on the Exhibit Floor</b>
10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.	<b>Army Modernization in Contact</b> Major General Michelle Link, Commanding General, 75 <sup>th</sup> US Army Reserve Innovation Command
10:50 a.m. – 11:50 p.m.	<b>Technology Innovation Showcase</b>
11:50 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Networking &amp; Refreshments on the Exhibit Floor</b>
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	<b>Lunch and Remarks</b> Dr. Mark Sorrells, President, Fayetteville Technical Community College Rob Braun, Chief Technology Officer, XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, North Carolina C. Glenn Ayers, Director, Growth & ARPA-x Account Manager, Leidos Innovations Center (LinC)
1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Networking &amp; Refreshments on the Exhibit Floor</b>
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Building Tomorrow's Force: Cultivating Talent for the Defense Industry</b>
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Networking &amp; Refreshments on the Exhibit Floor</b>
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<b>Bridging the Gap: Aligning Tactical Solutions with Strategic Goals</b>
4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	<b>Frontline Technology Innovation: Rapid Iteration Under Fire</b> <i>Colonel Vadym Sukharevskyi, Deputy Commander, Operational Command East, Armed Forces of Ukraine with interpreter provided by the Center for Slavic, Eurasian, and East European Studies at The University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill</i>
4:45 p.m.	<b>Adjourn</b>