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One Day Booking System

This year we will be offering one-day passes for those who are based locally and can afford to take one day out of their hectic schedules. These are available for both Government and Industry. The one day book system is now open.

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Government and Military Personnel

As with previous years, the Society would like to invite Military and Government personnel who are based in the Edinburgh area to visit the exhibition hall of the International Data Links Symposium on Wednesday 30 October from 1300 hours.

There will be no admission fee, but they will need to report to the International Data Links Society’s Registrations desk, where they will be asked to show their Government or Military Identification. Once signed in they will need to wear their ID to gain access to the exhibition hall.

Note: This offer does not extend to Government contractors.

IDLS2019 Attending Countries

We are looking forward to welcoming all delegates coming to this Symposium from the countries listed below.

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Important Information Regarding IDLS2019 Name Badges

We want to remind our delegates about the procedure to be followed when collecting your name badge for this year’s event. Name badges are compulsory and must be worn visibly at all times while you are attending the event.

Your name badge may be collected before the Symposium by visiting the registration desk from 16.00 till 18.00 on Monday 28 October. Alternatively you can collect your name badge from the registration desk, from 08.00 on the morning of Tuesday 29 October.

During the online booking, you were asked to supply a unique ID number from either a Passport, residency ID or Military ID. You must present this form of ID at the registration desk when you collect your name badge.

Please ensure that you have the necessary identification ready when you attend the registration desk, in order to avoid delays when collecting your name badge.
Be Seen at IDLS2019 - Sponsorship Opportunities

Not exhibiting at IDLS this year, but still want to get your message out there?

Sponsoring the event is a great way of getting some brand exposure and ensures your logo appears across IDLS2019 Social Media, the event website, in the event handbook (if sponsorship is secured prior to printing) and at the event itself.

There are many ways of sponsoring the event, highlighted and detailed in full in the Sponsorship brochure available online, with a range of promotional opportunities to suit every budget and includes:

- Coffee and Lunch breaks
  - Registration Coffee - $1,200
  - Morning Coffee - $1,200
  - Luncheon - $5,000
  - Afternoon Tea - $1,200
  - Meet ‘n’ Greet - $5,000
  - The Exhibition Showcase Reception - $10,000

The Society Function is also a great way to join in on the fun of the evening and promote your company at the same time. Opportunities include:

- Arrival Drinks - $500
- Whisky Tasting - $500
- Gin Tasting - $500

If you have yet to secure one of these excellent promotional opportunities, contact a member of the events team today.

We would like to thank Combitech for sponsoring the lanyards and IBM for sponsoring the morning.
IDLS2019 - A Guide to Edinburgh

With IDLS2019 right around the corner, now is a good time to remind you about the Guide to Edinburgh, available online from the symposium website.

The guide gives an overview of travel and city information. There is also information on the Edinburgh International Conference Centre, local food and hotels and things to see and do whilst in the city.

Exhibitors

A wide range of companies from across the datalink sector and community will be exhibiting at this year’s Symposium.

One of the benefits of holding IDLS2019 at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre is that it gives us access to a large and well equipped exhibition space, providing the exhibitors with ample space to present their products and services.

Below is the Exhibitor location plan.

1. Viasat
2. Diginext
3. Diginext
4. SCYTALYS
5. SCYTALYS
6. SAIC
7. GDUK
8. Ultra
9. TCG
10. 3SDL
11. 3SDL
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14. Leidos
15. NCS
16. Northrop Grumman
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18. Data Link Solutions
19. Thales
20. IBM
Exhibition space and Sponsorship opportunities are still available, so please contact events@idlsoc.com to register an interest.
23rd NATO Tactical Data Link Symposium 2020

It is time to plan next year’s event, the 23rd NATO Tactical Data Link Symposium 2020. The NTDLS Support Staff has received planning permission to hold the 23rd NTDLS in Calpe, Spain from 23 to 26 March 2020. Mark your calendars and spread the word!

The NTDLS website will be updated shortly for registration.

This will be another valuable opportunity to share views for the future information exchange. The theme for the 23rd NTDLS is “Adapting Tactical data Links to new Challenges”.

For those that intend to give a presentation or wish to lead a workshop, please go to dlss@hq.nato.int for guidance.

More information will follow in due course.

Society News

Death in the Data Links Family

It is with deep regret that we have to inform you that Vassilios Klis of ISI Hellas and a long time Society member died suddenly earlier this month. The Society sends it condolences to his family and work colleagues. He will be sorely missed, but not forgotten.

US Chapter Meeting

Mark Yelsits reports back from the US Chapter Meeting held on the 9th of September 2019.

The meeting was held at MITRE and was productive and informative. It included discussions around the US Chapter Constitution, opportunities for growth as well as on the upcoming IDLS2019 Symposium and a look at a sample technical brief.

It was a worthwhile meeting with many interested parties indicating and interest in helping the US Chapter to thrive.

Annual Meeting of Members

The General Committee would like to know if there is anything you would like discussed at the upcoming Annual Meeting of Members which takes place on Thursday 31 October 2019.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please email your request to the Communications Secretary.

Corporate Membership

We are pleased to announce that Ultra have renewed their Corporate membership.

For more information about becoming a Corporate Member of IDLSoc please click here.
3SDL FIT AND READY

The Link 16 Modernisation programme is gathering pace and demands critical decision making and diligence to overcome the challenges that come with it. It also calls for perspective.

For those most at risk whilst facing change, organisations like 3SDL will become essential partners in the race to be fit and ready.

‘GETTING FIT AND READY FOR LINK 16 MODERNISATION’

Any significant change like Link 16 Modernisation places pressure on organisational health and wellbeing of the people involved. With people at the heart of 3SDL we’re embarking on a physical and mental challenge we’re calling 3SDL Fit & Ready.

What is it?
3SDL Fit & Ready is designed to promote health, wellbeing and teamwork in our organisation and encourage our people to take part in physical and mental activity that’s very unlike their day-to-day roles in the office. We will also be fundraising for MIND, the mental health charity.

“As soon as we announced it everyone’s reaction was extremely positive and we’re encouraged by the team’s interest and willingness to get involved, especially as it’s for such an important cause. We naturally welcome as much support as possible.” Matt May, 3SDL

The challenge involves staff from our UK offices tackling a 450-mile sponsored cycle on static bikes, in stages over 16 days along a virtual route from Malvern to Lincoln to Edinburgh. Riding in parallel with the office riders, our very own Chris Jones will also be leading a team of four 3SDL cyclists on the road for the last 2 stages of 100 miles in total into Edinburgh, culminating in a sprint over the finish line at IDLS 2019. The first of 16 stages kicks off Monday 7th October and we’re very much looking forward to it.

Fundraising
We’ll be doing this in support of MIND, a UK charity dedicated to providing advice and support to empower anyone experiencing a mental health problem. Our hope is that through sponsorship, and your combined efforts, we can raise money to help this worthy cause. A fundraising page has been set up here http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/fitandready, so please share that with your friends and colleagues and get as much support as possible.

The virtual route
Although we’re riding static bikes in the relative comfort of our offices, the 450 miles route between Malvern, Lincoln and Edinburgh takes in some fantastic landmarks and scenery. It passes through places like the beer town, Burton on Trent, along the Trent to Robin Hood’s Nottingham, the Minster Town of York, across the Tyne to the Northumberland Coast, past Holy Rood House, into Edinburgh’s famous old Town and the EICC.

Our journey
We’ll be capturing moments from 3SDL Fit & Ready and sharing daily progress, highlights and achievements from our journey via our website and social media feeds #3sdlfitandready: On our stand (No. 12) at IDLS, we’ll also be holding a free prize draw where someone will have the chance to win a brand new road bike.

Be part of it
We’re sure 3SDL Fit & Ready will galvanise our team, customers and partners and more than that, we hope it encourages the wider TDL community to promote health and wellbeing in all our organisations. If you’d like to support our efforts, either by sponsoring our ride, doing your own activity, or by sharing our journey on social media feeds you’ll be helping the wellbeing of people like you and us.

To support us
http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/fitandready

For more Information
Visit 3sdl.com/latest/fit-and-ready
Advanced Link Planning System

NCS has been in the Multi-Link Planning and OPTASK Link software business since 2006. Over the past 13 years we have learned a lot and have made great strides with the Multi-TDL Planning System (MTPS). Looking at the complexity of future operations, we have decided it’s time to up our game and redefine how operators think about multi-link planning and the OPTASK Link.

This isn’t just new makeup on an old face, and it’s not a simple tech refresh. This is a bottom-to-top redesign of every element of the process with an eye towards the future requirements of a more complicated coalition battlespace.

The Advanced Link Planning System (ALPS) is the future realized. Coupling ALPS with the Capability Management System (CMS) and the Complete OPTASK Link Tool (COLT), we have completely automated many of the old processes and greatly simplified everything else.

If you are interested in seeing what the future of TDL Planning and the OPTASK Link looks like, come by the NCS stand at the International Data Link Symposium in Edinburgh.

Atheniem Hub is live.

Atheniem have now made it easier for its staff, customers, students and partners to more easily communicate and collaborate from their desks and when mobile. We are proud to announce that the Atheniem Hub is now live.

What will it give me?

You will now be able to better access and share information when on the move. Do you want easy access to key reference material to jog your memory when on the move? Are you attending an Atheniem training course? Now you can access all of your course material during and after the event. Are you wanting to be kept updated on something Updates to your content will be pushed out to your mobile phone and can be accessed on your phone or computer. Documents, presentations, reports, updates to projects and any other kind of information can be more easily disseminated and accessed with Atheniem Hub on your mobile device. Content is tailored to what you want and need and who you want to share with.

What do I need to do?

Download the Atheniem Hub App from either the Google or Apple app store, log on and have your permissions verified. Then you can start your Atheniem Hub experience and get access to the reference library and key information about Atheniem. You now be able to better access and share information at your convenience when on the move. Updates to your content will be pushed out to your mobile and key documents and information can be more easily accessed on your mobile device. You can respond with a comment, amendment or just like it. On a desk top the view will be:

If you have any suggestion on something more that you want to see or get access to a group to share information with other members of the Atheniem Network, then just drop a suggestion to us and we can tailor that app to fit your feedback.
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<td>TDL Interoperability Summit NCCC Canberra, Canberra, Australia</td>
<td>The Australian TDL Interoperability Summit will be held prior to MilCIS 2019 at the National Convention Centre Canberra (NCCC) from 08:30 to 17:00. The agenda will consist of Defence and Industry Briefings and Networking opportunities. For the latest information, please visit the AS/NZ Chapter website here.</td>
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<td>26-28 May 20</td>
<td>TCF 2020 Kaunas, Lithuania</td>
<td>The Tactical Communications Forum 2020 will be held in Kaunas, Lithuania. The TCF focus is on providing an environment for presentations and discussions only. The target audience for the TCF is Military, Government and Industry personnel and is open for all attendees to provide useful presentations.</td>
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