

# International Data Links Society Newsletter

September 2018



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## International Data Links Symposium 2018

### One Day Booking System Now Open

This year we will be offering one-day passes for those people who are based locally and can afford to take one day out of their hectic schedules. These are available for both [Government](#) and [Industry](#) and you will not need to become an IDLSoc member to book a day pass.

	1 to 9 tickets	10 to 19 tickets	20 + tickets
<b>Government (USD)</b>	\$250	\$225	\$200
<b>Industry (USD)</b>	\$433	\$350	\$300

### IDLS2018 Delegate Fees

Ticket Type	Government (USD)	Industry (USD)
IDLS2018 Delegate Ticket and 3 nights at the Town and Country Hotel	\$1253.31	\$1885.87
IDLS Delegate Ticket only	\$750.00	\$1300.00
IDLSoc Training Day	\$295.00	\$395.00
Hotel room at the Town and Country Hotel (per night, 29th/30th/31st Oct)	\$167.77	\$195.29

### Hotel Room Information

All rates include complimentary WiFi, unlimited access to the Fitness Centre, complimentary shuttle service to various places of interest and a reduced parking fee of \$5.00 per day for hotel guests. Delegates can select a buffet breakfast option at \$16 per day, per head including taxes and gratuity.

Hotel room prices are inclusive of 10.5% Tax, 0.6% CA Tourism Assessment Fee, and 2% San Diego Tourism District Assessment Tax. A \$5 Hotel Daily Service Charge for Industry Delegates only.

**Registration is open now via the event website at [www.IDLS2018.com](http://www.IDLS2018.com)**

### Government and Military Personnel

As with previous years, the Society would like to invite Military and Government Personnel who are based in the San Diego area to visit the exhibition hall of the International Data Links Symposium on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 1300 hours.

There will be no admission fee, but they will need to report to the International Data Links Society's Registration 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.

Please note: this offer does not extend to Government Contractors.

## IDLS2018 Educational Sessions

On Day One, Educational Sessions will be held. These aim to inform, educate and provide an overview of TDL technologies and this year include:

### Introduction to Link 16

Provided by 3DSL, the aim of this session is to provide you with a high level of understanding in a number of areas including Basic Architecture, Network Design and Management and Link 16 Sustainment.

### Link 22 Familiarisation

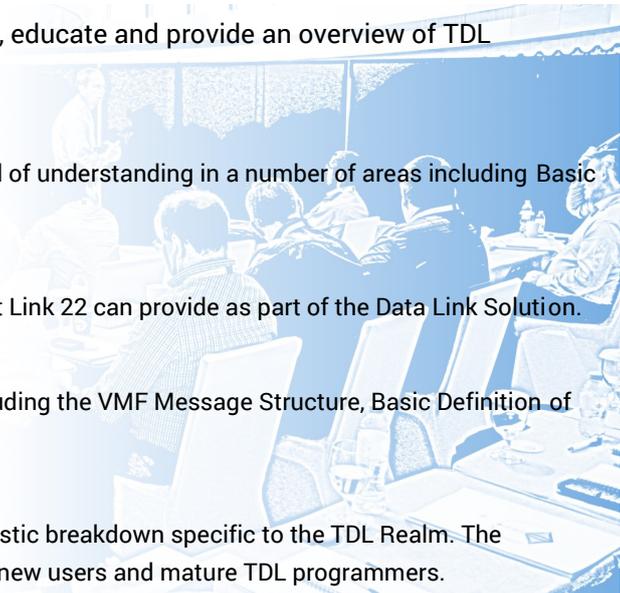
Provided by Northrop Grumman, this session will provide a glimpse of what Link 22 can provide as part of the Data Link Solution.

### Introduction to VMF

Provided by Aeronix, this session will look at various elements to VMF including the VMF Message Structure, Basic Definition of VMF over CNR Tactical Data Link and Solution Components.

### The TDL Lifecycle

Provided by Nick Kropp from DK Data Links, this session will provide a holistic breakdown specific to the TDL Realm. The information is tailored to be beneficial to all levels of experience, including new users and mature TDL programmers.



## Day of the Dead Experience Booking Now Open!



At this year's Symposium, the Society is delighted to be able to offer delegates the chance to spend the evening at The Cosmopolitan Hotel, in Old Town San Diego on the evening of Wednesday 31st October to celebrate 'The Day of the Dead'.

Further details and booking information can be found [here](#).

## Important Information Regarding IDLS2018 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 29th. Alternately you can collect your name badge from the registration desk, from 08:00 on the morning of Tuesday 30th October.

During your 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 issuing your name badge. Each individual must collect their own name badge in person and may not collect anyone else's badge.

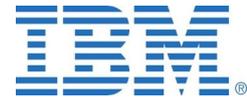
## Confirmed Exhibitors

We are pleased to confirm that this years exhibitors include:

### Gold



### Silver/Silver+



### Bronze/Bronze+



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## Society News

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### UK Chapter Event and AGM

A meeting of the UK Chapter will be held in the afternoon of Tuesday 23rd October 2018 at the Malvern Hills Science Park, Malvern.

The main order of business will be to decide on the future of the UK Chapter at an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM), noting that it has been moribund for some considerable while and that the previous attempt to stimulate activity foundered through a lack of sufficient interest. Aside from the necessary EGM, it is expected that there will be briefs on various subjects ranging from Link 16 Sustainment to the “Stalled STANAGs” dichotomy.

For now, please simply put the date in your diary and give some consideration to what you want from (or can offer to) the UK Chapter. If this raises any immediate points, please feel free to contact the Chapter Secretary, Mark Chappell, at [mark.chappell@jcsys.co.uk](mailto:mark.chappell@jcsys.co.uk).

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### US Chapter President Nomination

Formed in 2009, the US Chapter has a large member base with a broad mix of technical data link experience and knowledge compared to the other international chapters. For many years the US Chapter provided an excellent forum for TDL experts across industry and government to meet and exchange information on TDL initiatives and the continued advancement of link technology and applications. In the past, the US Chapter provided an informative Link 16 Summit co-sponsored by various DoD offices with the primary objective of establishing a Link 16 stakeholders forum for both industry and government to discuss current status and future plans, including:

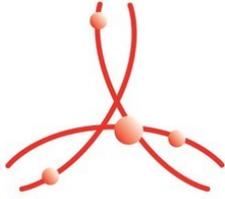
- Link 16 Enhancements Implementation
- Terminal Developments
- Network Planning and Management Developments

Over the past few years the momentum of the US Chapter has slowed to a halt. Many of you have asked how we can reinvigorate our chapter. We would like your input on nominating a US Chapter President. If you could please email [Janet Mackett](mailto:janet.mackett@viasat.com) (janet.mackett@viasat.com) your nominations prior to IDLS 2018, a formal vote will be held during the conference on Thursday, 1st November between 13:05–13:55 in Pacific Salon Three Room. If you are not attending, you will have the opportunity to provide an absentee vote.

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### Swedish Chapter Meeting—3rd of October

The IDLSoc Chapter Meeting is taking place on the 3rd of October in Karlskrona. The theme of this year’s Chapter meeting is the Swedish Navy and will include a visit to the Naval Warfare Centre and development centre.



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AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND CHAPTER

## Australian and New Zealand Chapter News

Registrations are now open for the TDL Summit on Monday 12th November at the National Convention Centre Canberra, Australia. Please visit [www.anzidlsoc.com.au/TDL\\_Summit](http://www.anzidlsoc.com.au/TDL_Summit) to register.

After the Summit the chapter will hold their Annual General Meeting. All current society members are invited to attend.

## Corporate News

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### Corporate Memberships

We are pleased to announce [Global Air Logistics and Training](#) as a new Corporate Member.



We are also pleased to confirm that [Leonardo DRS](#) have renewed their corporate membership this month.



For more information about becoming a Corporate Member of IDLSoc please [click here](#).



## Events Diary

Date / Time	Organisation & Location	Description
3 October 2018	<b>Sweden Chapter Meeting</b> Karlskrona	The theme of this years Chapter meeting is the Swedish Navy and will include a visit to the Naval Warfare Centre and development centre.
23 October 2018	<b>United Kingdom Chapter Meeting &amp; EGM</b> Malvern Hills Science Park, Malvern	The main order of business will be to decide on the future of the UK Chapter at an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) It is expected that there will be briefs on various subjects ranging from Link 16 Sustainment to the "Stalled STANAGs"
29 October 2018	<b>IDLSoc Training Day 2018</b> Town and Country, San Diego, USA	Make sure that you save the date for the 2018 IDLSoc Training Day! For details <a href="#">visit the Training Day section of the IDLS2018 website.</a>
30 October - 1 November 2018	<b>IDLS2018</b> Town and Country, San Diego, USA	IDLS is returning to San Diego this year, taking place at the newly refurbished Town and Country Hotel. The <a href="#">event website</a> is now live and updated regularly.
12 November 2018	<b>TDL Summit</b> National Convention Centre Canberra, Australia	The Australian TDL Interoperability Summit will be held prior to MilCIS 2018 on Monday the 12th of November 2018 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 <a href="#">visit the AS/NZ Chapter website here.</a>
1 - 4 April 2019	<b>NTDLS 2019</b> Calpe, Spain	The NATO Tactical Data Links Symposium (NTDLS) is an annual event which is open to Interoperability Platform Nations, at which TDL experts can share operational, technical and scientific experiences on TDLs.
13-15 May 2019	<b>TCF 2019</b> Salzburg, Austria	The Tactical Communications Forum 2019 will be held in the beautiful city of Salzburg in Austria. 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.

**For more information, visit the events page at [www.idlsoc.com](http://www.idlsoc.com).**

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