

GICA 2025 SPRING CONFERENCE AGENDA

Tuesday, 6 May 2025: General Session Day 1

8:30 AM – 8:40 AM	Edrei Du Toit , GICA Chairperson and Javier Jara, Bucharest Conference Champion <i>Opening Remarks</i>
8:40 AM – 8:55 AM	Florin Spătaru , State Counsellor, Chancellery of the Prime Minister of Romania <i>Remarks on behalf of the Prime Minister of Romania</i>
8:55 AM – 9:15 AM	<i>Presentation to be announced</i>
9:15 AM – 9:45 AM	Inigo Guervara , Managing Director, Janes <i>Geopolitical and Economic Warfare Dynamics and Their Impact on the Defense Trade</i>
9:45 AM – 10:15 AM	Cristina Dragomirescu , Vice President, ARCTIS <i>Presentation from ARCTIS on the new Romanian policy</i>
10:15 AM – 10:55 AM	NETWORKING BREAK
10:55 AM – 11:25 AM	Mark Lengton , Deputy Commissioner Military Production, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy, The Netherlands <i>Unlocking the Potential of Industrial Participation in Times of Need</i>
11:25 AM – 11:40 AM	Viorel Manole , Executive Director, PATROMIL <i>PATROMIL: Affordable Bridge Between USA/Japan/Korean Defense Industry and European Defense Industry</i>
11:40 AM – 12:20 PM	Tomasz Darowski (DZP) , Adina Chilim-Dumitriu (NNDKP) , Petr Kadlec (Havel&Partners) Moderators: Javier Jara (Airbus), Natacha Bestari (CAE) <i>Legal Panel</i>
12:20 PM - 12:25 PM	<i>Sponsored Presentation from Honeywell</i>
12:20 PM – 1:30 PM	LUNCH

1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Arnon Arbel , Foreign Suppliers Director, Industrial Cooperation Authority, Israel
2:00 PM – 2:40 PM	Jose Neves (AED Cluster Portugal), Pedro Fuster (Indra), and more to be announced <i>"After Art 346" Panel</i>
2:40 PM – 3:10 PM	Prof. Dr. Harry Tzimitras , Director, PRIO Cyprus Centre <i>Reconceptualizing Conflict and Cooperation in Europe and the Middle East</i>
3:10 PM – 3:55 PM	NETWORKING BREAK
3:55 PM – 4:25 PM	Daniel Bilak , Partner, Kinstellar Ukraine LLC <i>If You Want Peace, Prepare for War: Localization of War Production in the Ukrainian Defence Sector</i>
4:25 PM – 4:55 PM	Tom Lindén , Senior Advisor, Ministry of Defense Finland <i>Industrial Participation for Security of Supply – Finnish Lessons Learned</i>
4:55 PM – 5:00 PM	Edrei Du Toit , GICA Chairperson <i>Closing Remarks</i>

Wednesday, 7 May 2024: General Session Day 2

8:30 AM – 8:40 AM	Edrei Du Toit , GICA Chairperson – Opening Remarks
8:40 AM – 9:10 AM	Dr. Benedek Lőrincz , CFO, N7 Holding Ltd. <i>Financing Defence Cooperation: Grants, Loans and Emerging EU Instruments</i>
9:10 AM – 9:50 AM	Authority Panel <i>"Anchoring National Interest through Industrial Cooperation"</i>
9:50 AM – 10:20 AM	Michael Formosa , Managing Partner, Renaissance Strategic Advisors <i>Filling the Leadership Vacuum: Securing Europe in the Wake of the US Pivot</i>
10:20 AM – 11:00 AM	NETWORKING BREAK
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	<i>Authority presentation to be announced.</i>

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<p>Khalid Al Fahdi, Expert, Ministry of Finance of Sultanate of Oman <i>The Partnership for Development (PFD) Programme</i></p>
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	<p>Col. Arturo Di Martino, NAPMA, and Christof Emde, General Manager, IAMCO <i>IAMCO Industrial Benefit and Offset Management in the NATO AWACS DLM Programme</i></p>
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	<p>LUNCH</p> <p>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</p>
1:30 PM – 2:15 PM	<p>Workshop 1A: Arizona Room Dominik Eisenhut, Senior Legal Counsel of Special Projects, Airbus <i>A Reset for European Defense Procurement Policy</i></p> <p>Workshop 1B: Colorado Room Aureliano da Ponte, Janes <i>Technological dimension of Artificial Intelligence: challenges for the European defense industry</i></p> <p>Workshop 1C: Florida Room Rheinmetall and Lockheed <i>Strategies for Industry Success in Romania</i></p>
2:15 PM – 2:20 PM	<p>Attendees move rooms as needed</p> <p>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</p>
2:20 PM – 3:05 PM	<p>Workshop 2A: Arizona Room CTO <i>Future Development in Focus – Four Scenarios from CTO's CEE Report</i></p> <p>Workshop 2B: Colorado Room Alix Leboulanger, Janes <i>GCAP and its Impact on the Defense Industry Cooperation</i></p>

Workshop 2C: Florida Room
Elbit Systems and GDELS
Industry Success Story in Romania

3:05 PM – 3:45 PM

NETWORKING BREAK

3:45 PM – 4:15 PM

Presentation to be announced

4:15 PM – 4:25 PM

Inigo Guervara, Managing Director, Janes
Middle East and Africa Trends

4:25 PM – 4:55 PM

Dr. Tebogo Makube, Acting Deputy Director General,
South Africa Department of Trade, Industry and
Competition
Presentation on South Africa (TITLE TBC)

4:55 PM – 5:00 PM

Edrei Du Toit, GICA Chairperson and **Marijke Winiarski**,
Cape Town Conference Champion – Closing Remarks