



**VIDEO AVAILABLE: AFCEA's TechNet International Conference And Exposition Focuses On Network Centric Operations**

*Experts And Notables Scheduled Include Former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani*

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FAIRFAX, Va./EWorldWire/May 6, 2005 --- TechNet International 2005, AFCEA International's 59th annual conference and exposition and one of the nation's largest C4I events, returns to Hall B of the Washington Convention Center Tuesday, May 17 through Thursday, May 19, 2005. This year's theme, "Network Centric Operations: Balancing Speed and Agility with Security" fits well with AFCEA's mission to bring government, military, and industry together to promote global security.

Over 200 defense and IT exhibitors will display their products and solutions for homeland security/defense at TechNet. They will be focusing on specific technology requirements from senior defense and government personnel, including: wireless solutions, bandwidth, interoperability, command and control, data management, sensors, security and visualization. The exposition will include such technologies as UAVs, robotics, a HAZMAT wireless communications system, battlefield communications, rugged computers, security systems, and visual displays. Large defense contractors, small businesses and government agencies will all be exhibiting at TechNet.

The conference features an impressive lineup of expert speakers:

GEN Benjamin Griffin, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Materiel Command

LTG Raymond Odierno, USA, Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;

LtGen Robert Shea, USMC, Director for Command, Control, Communications and Computer Systems (J-6), The Joint Staff

RADM Thomas Zelibor, USN, Director of Global Operations, U.S. Strategic Command

Rudy Giuliani, former Mayor of New York City

Five panel sessions will provide TechNet attendees the opportunity to dialogue with experts about network centricity from the combatants' perspective as well as how it relates to global security, industry and homeland security.

TechNet also offers free courses - Data and Applications Security and Introduction to Net-Centric Warfare are samplers of two of AFCEA's most popular Professional Development Center courses.

For those thinking about a career or job change, TechNet offers TECHEXPO - a career fair with over 110 employers for the technology, government and civilian contract professional. Attendees may distribute their resumes electronically or in-person to every job fair exhibitor as well as participate in on-site interviews with corporate representatives. TechNet also features AFCEA's Career Transition Seminar for military and government personnel seeking to enter the private sector.

The "Tribute to Government" Gala is a unique event that allows attendees to tour the exhibits and enjoy a buffet dinner, then see The Charlie Daniels Band in concert. This event honors Servicemen and women wounded in Iraq or Afghanistan who are being treated at Walter Reed Army Medical Center and Bethesda Naval Medical Center. The gala begins at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17. Admission is free to all registered attendees and exhibitors.

TechNet offers numerous professional development and networking opportunities. This event is open to the public and admission to all activities, with the exception of the small business workshop, is free. On-site registration is available beginning Monday, May 16. For details and free on-line registration go to [www.technet2005.org](http://www.technet2005.org).

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