



Advanced Material Defense Patent Holiday
Event Schedule: September 23, 2026, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Time	Activity
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration, Breakfast & Networking
8:30 AM - 8:40 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks <i>Vision for DoW's Future of Technology Transfer and Commercialization</i> Mr. Steve Luckowski, Director, T3CP, OUSW(R&E)
8:40 AM – 8:50 AM	Accelerating Technical Transition: LIFT's Role in Advancing U.S. Manufacturing Innovation Mr. Nigel Francis, CEO and Executive Director, LIFT
8:50 AM – 9:00 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks: DoW Intellectual Property Mr. Mike Holthe, the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of War for S&T
9:00 AM – 10:15 AM	LIFT Innovation & Learning Lab: Optional Tour and Briefing •Kearney Digital Model Factory •Siemens eXplore Center •LIFT Advanced Metallics Production & Processing Center •LIFT Advanced Characterization Lab •LIFT Plasma Arc Weld Directed Energy Deposition • LIFT Learning Lab
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Networking Break
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	The Value of DoW Intellectual Property Ms. Tracy Frost, Director, Technology Innovation for the Industrial Base, OUSW(R&E)
10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	Patenting Advanced Materials: Accelerating Innovation Ms. Carrie Bayer, Director for Advanced Materials, OUSW(R&E)
11:15 AM – 11:30 AM	Navy Leadership's Perspective on Intellectual Property (IP) & How to Work With the Navy CAPT Steven Tarr III, ACNR Assistant Chief of Naval Research, (ONR)
11:30 AM – 12:15 AM	From Government IP to Commercial Impact: How DoW Labs Partner with Industry to Advance Patented Technologies Moderator: Mr. Farooq Mitha, Senior Fellow, FIU Ms. Andrea Simon, ORTA (Tech Transfer), U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command (DEVCOM), U.S Army Ground Vehicle Systems Center Mr. Scott Aughenbaugh, Director, DAF Tech Transfer & Transition Program Office, U.S Air Force Mr. Charles Roe, Manager, Physical Metallurgy and Fire Branch, Naval Surface Warfare Center Carderock Division
12:15 PM – 12:45 PM	Lunch & Networking
12:45 PM – 1:15 PM	Manufacturing Science Technology Program (MSTP): Domestic Fuel Cell Component Production Strengthening Mission Readiness Mr. Steve Luckowski, Director, T3CP, OUSW(R&E)
1:15 PM – 1:45 PM	From Government IP to Commercial Opportunity: Connecting Industry to the Defense Innovation Ecosystem Mr. Scott Springer, Senior Technology Manager, DoW Capabilities Lead, TechLink
1:45 PM – 2:15 PM	Accelerate the Procurement and Fielding of Innovative Technologies (APFIT) Program Mr. Tommy Jones, APFIT Navigator, OUSW(R&E) AFPIT Program
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	Fireside Chat: How SBIR Can Move Licensed IP Toward Adoption Mr. John P. McCanney, Director, Accelerated Research for Transition (ART), CIV OSD OUSD R-E
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Networking Break
3:00 PM – 3:45 PM	Building the Bridge: The Support Ecosystem Behind Turning DoW Patents Into Companies <i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Farooq Mitha, Senior Fellow, FIU Mr. Petros A. Kotidis, Ph.D, National Innovation Fellow, NobleReach Ms. Anya Roberts, Ph.D., Head of Venture Strategy & Advisory, FedTech Ms. Nikki Tuss, Director, MilTech Ms. Tara Taylor, Technology Transfer Lead, Academic Partnership Engagement Experience (APEX)
3:45 PM – 4:00 PM	Closing Remarks Mr. Steve Luckowski, Director, T3CP, OUSW(R&E) Mr. Nigel Francis, CEO and Executive Director, LIFT