**Western States Regional Conference**

**Professional Development Day Local Option**

For those who cannot make the trip to Utah but would like to take advantage of the Systems Engineering Professional Development Day (Friday, September 21, 2018) the WSRC team has arranged for remote sites.

The Los Angeles Chapter has arranged for two remote sites:

- The Aerospace Corporation -- 200 N. Aviation Blvd., El Segundo, CA 90245
- Dassault Systemes -- 301 E Ocean Blvd, Suite 1200, Long Beach, CA 90802

The Systems Engineering Professional Development Day is part of the outreach from INCOSE and is intended to help the professional systems engineer enhance his or her skills. Systems engineers interested in participating at one of the satellite sites should register by going to the conference website at:

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The 2018 International Symposium was another well-executed affair, with superb technical discussions, compelling keynote speakers, networking and fellowship amongst professionals from around the world — all capped off with the usual fine dining. The sponsors from academia and industry were well represented and made their own noteworthy contributions to the success of the symposium.

**Keynote Speakers**

**Kristen J. Baldwin** is the Acting Secretary of Defense, Systems Engineering. Kristen has participated in several conferences here in Los Angeles and is an able champion of systems engineering in the Department of Defense. Kristen addressed the challenges being faced by the United States Department of Defense (DoD) in space, air, sea, land, and cyber operating domains. She noted that technology advances today are driven in large measure by the commercial sector, a circumstance which provokes a paradigm shift for defense systems, systems which are historically built upon defense research and development investments.

According to Ms. Baldwin, systems engineering is an important enabler for the Department, to adapt to changing missions, to adopt innovative technology solutions, and to rapidly field capabilities. DoD systems engineering is focused on a number of modernization efforts including, but not limited to mission engineering, digital model-based engineering, modular open systems design, software engineering, and advancing our organic engineering workforce.

**Dr. Barbara Kellerman**, the James MacGregor Burns Lecturer in Leadership at the Harvard Kennedy School, spoke on the limits on leadership and how to manage them. Dr. Kellerman spoke to some of the “soft science” aspects of systems engineering. She presented a frank review of the history of “leadership,” and the changes from highly authoritarian leaders to a less hierarchical populist system. She noted that in today’s liberal democracies, it is more difficult to exercise leadership than ever before. Dr. Kellerman shared her observations and conclusions with respect to two major influences: the changes in culture and technology. She did discuss the role of “follower.” The classic role has come from the aforementioned authoritarian organizational structures of history. She contended there is still a role called “follower” and that the role has obligations and responsibilities, albeit new ones. She acknowledged that tearing down leaders simply for the sake of “gotcha” is a part of the game. Like so many things, this is nothing new. Technology has sped up the process. She cited Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinski as an illustration, not of something that is not new to the White House, but of a social change and people’s willingness to wallow in such and of how technology has accelerated the process.

She concludes by providing some common sense ideas on how to be an effective leader when effective followers are a force in their own right.

The question and answer session proved entertaining. Dr. Kellerman deftly focused her comments on phenomena, and avoided political Advocacies one might associate with Harvard. Some in the audience, however, rose to the bait of discussing leaders, and obliquely sought her endorsement of their opinion of the current President of the United States. Dr. Kellerman did not respond in kind, and shifted the discussion to a question of celebrities having influence greatly out of proportion to their knowledge. She did not answer the question directly. Once the question was about people who leverage their celebrity status to pontificate about political and social issues, and not just Trump, it was difficult to answer the question and engage in the desired Trump-bashing without also bashing a celebrity with whom the questioner agreed. To her credit, Dr. Kellerman did not compromise her ethics and succumb to the enticement.

**We call it innovation because we don’t know what we are doing.**

**Langdon Morris’** keynote address was titled “The Big Shift: Innovation and Systems Engineering.” Langdon is co-founder and Senior Partner at Innovation Labs LLC. He leads the firm’s global innovation consulting practice for a wide variety of clients. His work focuses on developing and applying advanced methods in innovation and strategy to solve complex problems with very high levels of creativity. He is recognized as one of the world’s leading thinkers and consultants on innovation, and his original and ground-breaking work has been adopted by corporations and universities to help them improve their innovation processes and the results they achieve.

Langdon proved to be a very capable speaker whose speech proved to be informative and challenging, with a dash of humor. He opened with a series of non-dimensional charts, noting that graphs were an enticement, a Siren’s song, no engineer could escape. He followed by adding metrics to the charts, using them to illustrate various social and demographic changes, including the growth in the population of the world, over time, and using them to illustrate the growth in computing power and the shrinking cost of that power. He “reverse engineered” the cost of a cellphone back to 1980, and estimated that it would cost more than a Cray computer. A side observation was that a cellphone might well have more computational power than a Cray had.

Langdon shifted to a discussion of some of the consequences of the changes. One is that people are moving to urban areas, and the birth rate in urban areas is decreasing. He was noted that Japan’s birth rate has dropped to a point that the population is starting to decrease. A consequence of such a phenomenon is that the average age of the population will increase.

Langdon concluded by extrapolating the curves to show what the future may well hold. Of particular note, he identified a niche for systems engineers and their profession. He described the important role that the worldwide community of systems engineers will, or at least should, play in dealing with some of the major opportunities and challenges that humanity faces.

(See “IS2018,” on page 3)
For those who would like to watch Langdon’s presentation, it is available on the INCOSE website. From the INCOSE website follow the links to the IS2018 webpage and click on “keynote speakers” in the column on the left. Scroll down to the picture of Langdon, click on the “video” link, and sit back and enjoy the presentation.

**Individual Awards**

**Marilee Wheaton**, Systems Engineering Fellow, from the Engineering and Technology Group of The Aerospace Corporation received two awards at the symposium.

The first award Marilee received was an Outstanding Service Award for “her service and promotion of Systems Engineering and technical education through leadership of Systems Engineering conference activities and academic endeavors, and her support of INCOSE initiatives and Chapter activities through service in the Corporate Advisory Board.”

The second award was from the INCOSE Foundation and sponsored by John Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab for the Alexander Kossiakoff Systems Engineering Scholarship in recognition of her outstanding achievement in systems engineering applied research. This award was for her dissertation research that she is performing on an Aerospace Educational Fellowship at the University of Southern California Systems Architecting and Engineering Program.

**Eric Belle** received an Outstanding Service award, “For his service to the Los Angeles Chapter and the Americas Sector in promoting INCOSE chapter best practices, and promotion of systems engineering through his support of the Conference of Systems Engineering Research (2016) and the INCOSE regional mini-conference (2015).” Eric is a longtime member of the Los Angeles Chapter. In addition to his serving as a President of the Chapter and in other roles on the Board of Directors, Eric has been a steady and consistent contributor to activities in the Chapter. His industry and tribal knowledge have been invaluable.

**Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)** is of particular interest to INCOSE, and one of the featured activities was a group of local students who participated in a STEM event featuring robots. The future systems engineers were bright and enthusiastic – beaming with delight and keen interest in the robots and how to operate them.

**Working Groups** focused on their respective issues. INCOSE, through the Working Groups, is working to provide the authoritative knowledge needed in the development of ISO Standards (15288 and derivatives). The System of Systems Working Group is working on defining the implementation of systems engineering for systems of systems and on the implementation of the concepts into an ISO standard. The Transportation Working Group is working on the implementation of systems engineering and is making overtures to the American Public Transportation Association as that organization begins to investigate systems engineering. There was some hope that a representative from that organization might attend one of the meetings.

*(See “IS Working Groups” continued on page 4)*
The Systems Engineering Quality Management Working Group is relatively new and has taken on the challenge of defining “quality management” and “quality managers” for the application of the systems engineering process. The product of this endeavor will be SEQM-certified managers.

The symposium included a banquet, which went nicely. It was in the “Portrait Gallery” of the Smithsonian Museum. They served hors d’oeuvres in a gallery on the third floor, affording attendees an opportunity to socialize while strolling through works of art. The hors d’oeuvres and pre-prandial beverages were followed by a formal dinner in the ballroom. The food was excellent. The crab cakes were of a quality equal to the Country Club of Virginia, suggesting that there are two places outside of Annapolis that serve decent crab cakes. The entrée was chicken, which was nicely done and had a basil syrup sauce that was delicious. The dessert was to die for.

The above is but a sampler of the activities at the symposium and of the efforts of INCOSE to strengthen systems engineering as a sought-after science and profession. There is a wealth of information and tools available on the INCOSE website.

For more on this challenging and timely topic, attend Scott Jackson’s presentation at the August Speaker Meeting.
Western States Regional Conference

The technical program is being finalized for the Western States Regional Conference (WSRC) of the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE). The WSRC will take place on Thursday through Saturday, September 20 - 22, 2018, near Salt Lake City, Utah. The venue is the Northrop Grumman (nee Orbital ATK) Conference Center located close by in scenic Ogden Canyon.

The WSRC Technical Program includes presentations, panel discussions, workshops, and tutorials. The program is complemented by networking events and a banquet. Notification e-mails have been sent to those who submitted abstracts for presentations, panel discussions and workshops. The team is working to pull together and finalize the details.

A plenary on September 20 (Thursday) at 11 a.m. will open the proceedings. The opening will be followed by lunch and a choice between three tutorials. Activities on Thursday will include an opportunity to take the Systems Engineering Professional certification knowledge exam on paper.

Friday and Saturday will have plenary speakers, presentations, and panel discussions. There are three rooms where presentations will be made throughout Friday and Saturday with sponsors and exhibits available in the bar during those days. Tracks include Systems Engineering Program/Project Management, Agile Systems Engineering, Model-Based Systems Engineering, Resilience and Sustainability, Systems Engineering Across the Enterprise and Specialty Topics.

As an added feature, there will be a “Systems Engineering Professional Development Day” (SE PDD) held on Friday. For the benefits of Chapter members who are interested but cannot make the trip to Ogden, INCOSE-LA is making arrangements for the broadcast of the SE PDD. When the details are finalized, a Reflector Notice will be made to INCOSE-LA’s distribution. One of the presentations for the SE PDD will be our President, Rick Hefner, speaking with Michael Sturgeon on “Design of Effective Systems Engineering Training for Professionals”.

Friday evening an event dinner will be held at the conference venue with keynote speaker, Dr. Ben Goldberg of Northrop Grumman. Between the day’s presentations and dinner is an opportunity for networking, with hors d’oeuvres supplementing the good company.

The WSRC team is very happy to provide this conference for our western chapter members and invited guests. We hope you will attend in person, and if that is not possible please consider attending the remote location at Dassault Systemes in Long Beach or at The Aerospace Corporation in El Segundo to keep you systems engineering practices current, learning about leading edge practices and solutions to challenges the technical community is facing.

For more information on this exciting and premiere event, please go to the conference website at: https://incose-wsrc.eventbrite.com

August Speaker Meeting

A Fresh Look at Systems Engineering — What is it, how should it work?

ABSTRACT:

Does our historical approach to systems engineering fit our 21st century applications? INCOSE’s definition of systems engineering was compared to the aspirations set out in SE Vision 2025 for systems engineering as it ought to be to address modern challenges. Doing this led us to three fundamental realizations:

1. Past systems were mostly deterministic, but 21st century systems are on the other hand increasingly non-deterministic, adaptive or evolutionary
2. Past systems engineering management was implicitly based on a command and control paradigm, 21st century systems engineering must use a more collaborative leadership paradigm
3. Past systems were largely single systems designed to solve specific problems, but 21st century systems are almost invariably networked, and are parts of complex extended enterprises with multiple, often conflicting, stakeholder objectives intimately related to complex societal challenges.

The presentation will use elements of Soft Systems Methodology to understand the implications and consequences of the paradigm shift implied by these realizations. A revised strawman definition of systems engineering is offered for consideration by INCOSE, showing the changes that would be required to take these and related factors into account.

The introduction to this topic will consider changes in what we mean by “system”. The System Definition Survey issued to INCOSE Fellows in December 2016 revealed at least five radically distinct worldviews on systems within a relatively small, but moderately representative, part of the INCOSE community. Scott will describe and analyze the survey results, and comment on differences between the responses from the Fellows and the responses to a similar survey issued to the System Science Working Group a month later. All the worldviews identified offer useful perspectives for systems engineering. Systems engineers need the flexibility to adopt different worldviews for different situations.

This presentation reflects the work of a team of experienced INCOSE authors: Hillary Sillitto, James Martin, Regina Gregio, Dorothy McKinney, Eileen Arnold, Patrick Godfrey, Dov Dori, Daniel Krob and Scott Jackson.

BIOGRAPHY:


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The Martian Curiosity Rover and our Future Systems Engineers

By Scott Birtalan

Following in the footsteps of the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) event last year, we can look forward to the seventh annual event this year on October 13, 2018, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The venue will be the same as in the past: the S-Café of the Northrop-Grumman Corporation. The facility is in Redondo Beach, south of Marine Ave at Simon Ramo Drive.

This outreach to students in the Los Angeles area is sponsored by several professional societies, including INCOSE-LA, and several other prominent aerospace organizations.

The Curiosity Mars Rover continues to prowl the red planet, and this event will feature the latest information, and engineering and science results. There will be a scale model of the landing site along with a selection of hardware and mock-ups.

As was done last year, there will be a variety of activities to entertain the students while piquing their interest in science and engineering. Last year the students enjoyed themselves like a litter of pups with a new squeaky toy. The adults enjoyed the event as well, albeit in a more staid manner. Also, as was the case last year, free bottled water and healthy snacks will be provided.

Members who would like to support INCOSE-LA’s participation should contact Fred Lawler at fredlawer@hotmail.com.

For registration and additional information, go to the webpage for the event: https://tinyurl.com/2108mars

COST: FREE (parking and admission)

If you can spare a few hours on a Saturday afternoon, this is an opportunity for members to volunteer, telling people about systems engineering and INCOSE. To learn about the event last year and the contribution of INCOSE-LA, read the October, 2017 edition of the Newsletter, available through the Chapter webpage. Contact Phyllis Marbach (pmarbach@gmail.com) to volunteer and to participate in this invigorating event. As more details become available, they will be published in the Newsletter and posted on the Chapter webpage.

Student Division Sponsorship

Student Division Sponsorship Intro Blurb #1 – Scott Birtalan

Did you know the LA Chapter sponsors three student divisions in the LA/OC area? Starting in 2012, with the kickoff of the University of Southern California division INCOSE-LA has been sponsoring student divisions as part of the greater INCOSE outreach mission. Since then Loyola Marymount University and Cal Poly Pomona have joined with the Chapter to enhance our student-industry partnership in systems engineering.

INCOSE student divisions operate as fully self-sufficient student organizations, providing leadership opportunities to their members and mentor/protégé relationships with both university faculty and INCOSE LA liaisons. Student members gain access to all of the typical INCOSE resources, while taking part in ongoing local area chapter events. Students plan and execute their own activities with chapter sponsorship. Past events have included on campus speaker programs and young professional networking with other local area industry group student organizations. Student participation is also one of the key discriminators in our Chapter’s sponsorship of the recurring Conference on Systems Engineering Research.

We’re looking forward to introducing INCOSE’s newest student division in the fall when Cal State Long Beach joins us. Keep an eye out for more news and future opportunities to participate as the Los Angeles Chapter and some of our top local universities continue our partnership for systems engineering excellence.

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SCHEDULE:
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5:30-6:00 Networking/Refreshments
6:10-6:20 Introduction
6:20-6:30 WG Presentation (TBD)
6:30-7:30 Guest Speaker Presentation
DATE: Tuesday, August 7, 2018
COST: Free for members, $10.00 for non-members; light refreshments will be provided
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1. Take the El Segundo Blvd exit, Exit 44.
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1. Take the exit towards 405 South
2. Before getting onto the 405 Freeway, take the El Segundo Blvd exit.
3. At the bottom of the ramp, turn left (west)
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5. Bldg. D8 will be the third building on the right, just past the discount bakery.
The facility is the third building from the corner of Aviation and El Segundo, just north of the discount bakery. Only the southern-most gate of the facility is open. Identify yourself to the security guard as attending the INCOSE meeting. You can park where Security directs and enter through the lobby at the center of the building near the flag poles. Knock on the first of the double doors, and someone will open the door for you. The handicap ramp is on the north side and can be reached by driving all the way around the back of the building. Inform the security guard if you plan to use that ramp.

Assorted column fillers
No detail is too small to overlook
Executive diaper service
Employees must wash hands before handling food with soap and water.
On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it had completely disappeared.
By the time he was admitted his rapid heart had stopped and he was feeling better.
You don’t have to be a veterinarian to recognize a meadow muffin when you step in it.
Never slap a man who is chewing tobacco
Always drink upstream of the herd
Never miss a good chance to shut up
Never kick a cow chip on a hot day
What this country needs is dirtier fingernails and cleaner minds
Diplomacy is the art of saying “nice doggie” until you can find a rock
Lettin’ the cat out of the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin’ it back in.
Don’t squat on your spurs
Talk slowly, think quickly
Never approach a bull from the front, a horse from the rear, or a fool from any direction.
Happy as a hog in a turnip patch
As stimulating as a slug of rye on an empty stomach
Pecos Bill’s horse was named Widowmaker
Hungrier than a woodpecker with a headache
Mom’s Home Cookin’
Report from hardware store: they are not making yard sticks any longer.
This is my step ladder. I never knew my real ladder.
Frog parking only. All others will be toad.
Ban pre-shredded cheese – make America grate again.
Imagination is more important than knowledge. Albert Einstein
Technology is a useful servant but a dangerous master. Christian Lous Lange
New technology is common, new thinking is rare. Sir Peter Blake.
The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place. George Bernard Shaw
Technology is nothing. Steve Jobs
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