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# SCLAA ACT/SNSW - Working with Defence Tuesday, 5 June 2018

This event presents the perfect opportunity for small to medium business enterprises in the ACT and surrounding regions to learn more about Defence procurement plans, and how they might participate.

When:	Tuesday, 5 June 2018	Time:	7.30am - 9.30am	
Where:	EQ Cafe Lounge, Equinox Business Park 70 Kent Street Deakin, ACT	Cost:	Members: \$25.00 Non Members: \$30.00	Ĺ
Parking:	Paid parking available	Break	fast will be provided.	

Many small to medium businesses in the ACT region believe that the future Defence procurement plans only apply to the larger companies - those that will build the ships, planes and vehicles or supply the uniforms and equipment needed to arm the Australian Defence Force throughout the 21st century. But who supports the companies that support Defence?

The purpose of this networking event is to unveil the roles that can be available to many SME businesses in our region to be involved, directly and indirectly, and share in the opportunities that will become available through the Defence procurement plans.

## **Presenters:**



#### Kate Lundy - ACT Defence Industry Advocate

Kate was appointed as the ACT Defence Industry Advocate in 2016 to work with defence businesses, government and education institutions to promote the exceptional capabilities of companies in the Canberra Region to assist further growth and diversification of the local regional economy.

Kate was a Federal Senator for the ACT for 20 years, holding a number of portfolios relating to technology, innovation, sport and multicultural affairs before retiring in 2015. Since then, Kate has been appointed to the boards of the National Roads and Motoring Association (NRMA), The Australian Grand Prix Corporation, the Australian Sports Technology Network and the Australian Cyber Security Research Institute. She is also now the ACT Local Industry Advocate, supporting Canberra region businesses to access ACT Government procurement opportunities.

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#### Mr Graham Priestnall MBA, MA (Maritime Policy), BA (Social Sciences) Chairman, Australian Industry & Defence Network - ACT

Graham is the current AIDN-ACT Chairman and a past National President from 2008 - 2013. He is committed to further development of the links between small to medium business enterprises and Defence, having worked for both Primes and SME's in the past, together with a 27 year career in the Royal Australian Navy. Graham has held senior roles with a number of high profile and Defence-related companies, including ADI Limited, Thales Australia, Nova Systems and QinetiQ.

Graham also has extensive experience in defence industry policy and has been a member of several boards and Committees advising the Commonwealth on initiatives to increase the skills and capacities of Australian small and medium companies in the Defence sector.

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