

## From the Deputy Director



Filling in during the absence of the Director of the International Center, I would like to comment on three things. First, as mentioned later in the IMAR, the International Acquisition Career Path (IACP) Functional IPT met recently to cover a range of topics. From a DAU perspective, it is great to see the senior-level interest in supporting coordinated training for the Defense Acquisition Workforce engaged in international activities. When we teach at all the regions, learners are all eager to hear the latest on the IACP. So it is nice to be able to report on progress at the FIPT level when discussing IACP in our international classes. The second item is the great progress we have made in developing the ACQ 380 course, International Acquisition Management. As you read further in this IMAR, you'll see that we have scheduled a faculty/subject matter expert pilot for November, with a student pilot offering planned for early next calendar year. And the last item is to highlight two additional Job Supports Tools (JSTs) that have been posted on the [International Acquisition Management Community of Practice \(ICoP\)](#): International Cooperative Programs (ICPs) and FMS – Systems Acquisition Best Practices. We have already had over 150 downloads of these JSTs and thanks in advance for any feedback on these new workflow learning assets.

## Foundational Learning

Course	Dates	Location
ACQ 120/130	Continuous	On-line
ACQ 340	September 12-16, 2016 (Canx)	Fort Belvoir, VA
ACQ 230	September 19-23, 2016	San Diego, CA

ACQ 230	December 5-9, 2016	Huntsville, AL
ACQ 340	January 9-13, 2017	Huntsville, AL
ACQ 230	March 13-17, 2017	Kettering, OH
ACQ 230	April 24-28, 2017	Warner-Robins, GA

Indian Naval Officer Graduates from PMT 402. Captain Gautam Bedi completed PMT 402 on August 26. The Captain's attendance is part of the overall PEO Carriers engagement with the Indian Navy under the OSD/AT&L Defense Technology and Trade Initiative (DTTI). A second Indian Naval officer, Captain Sandeep Kumar, is scheduled to take PMT 401 beginning September 12. (Beckham)

## Acquisition Workforce

International Acquisition Functional IPT (FIPT). The International Acquisition FIPT met on August 24. The DAU presentation included an overview of the Acquisition Learning Model (ALM) provided by Maryann Watson and the status of international acquisition foundational learning courses, workflow learning resources, and performance learning activities. The FIPT approved the international acquisition competency model that Colonel Mike Malley, the FIPT Executive Secretary, had developed with inputs from FIPT members. (Mallory)

## Curriculum Development

ACQ 380 International Acquisition Management. The faculty/SME pilot has been scheduled for the week of November 14 at Fort Belvoir. Invitations to participate in the pilot have been provided to the Service international offices and a number of OSD organizations. Pending a successful faculty/SME pilot, plans are to schedule a student pilot offering for early next year. (Mallory)

BBP 3.0 Task 1. Formal task closeout has occurred based on completion of analyses and presentation of courses of action. Further discussions are ongoing within the International Acquisition FIPT and the PM FIPT as to potential options to accommodate IA&E training in selected PMT curriculum and/or provide Core Plus alternatives to accomplish task objectives. (Meeuwissen)

BBP 3.0 Task 2. Professor Robin Russell and Mr. Dane Marolt attended the Institute of Security Cooperation Studies (ISCS—formerly DISAM) Security Cooperation Management Overseas (SCM-O) course at the invitation of ISCS Commandant, Dr. Ron Reynolds. With this first hand experience and information, recommendations for new acquisition-related learning objectives will be drafted and coordinated with ISCS by September 30. If the decision is made that additional acquisition material is needed, DSMC-I will work with ISCS to develop tailored curriculum for those SCOs who may need it. (Russell)

## **Workflow Learning**

DAU International Acquisition Website Update. DSMC-I posted two additional DAU Job Support Tools (JSTs) on its Acquisition Community Connection (ACC) Int'l Community of Practice (ICOP) website in August: one on International Cooperative Programs (ICPs) and the other on Foreign Military Sales (FMS) – Systems Acquisition Best Practices. DAU's Workflow Learning JSTs are designed to help DoD Component IPO staff and Program Management Office/Integrated Product Team (PMO/IPT) members perform day-to-day International Acquisition and Exportability (IA&E) efforts that support their programs' objectives. DAU plans to post one additional JST on Defense Exportability Integration (DEI) by the end of September after AT&L/IC and Technology Security and Foreign Disclosure Office (TSFDO) review is completed. (Kenlon)

## **Performance Learning and Mission Assistance**

Defense Acquisition Guidebook: DSMC-I provided comprehensive inputs

to AT&L/IC and AT&L/ARA staff members on the IA&E elements of the revised DAG in late July and early August. AT&L staff envisions publication of an updated DAG later this year. (Kenlon and Mallory)

International Acquisition Seminar (IAS) 2016. DSMC-I is finalizing presentations for the September 26-30 biennial seminar at the German Federal Academy in Mannheim, Germany. USEUCOM personnel will be joining their European colleagues in gaining insight on recent U.S. international acquisition initiatives and updates. European participants will also be presenting on a variety of acquisition topics. (Meeuwissen and Tripp)

## **Foreign Visits**

German Exchange Faculty Coming to DAU. Ms. Miriam Riemer is scheduled to arrive at DAU on September 1 to begin a one-year Administrative and Professional Exchange Program (APEP) tour. She will join DSMC-I in Building 247 and will have a variety of acquisition and human resources tasks to complete during her assignment. (Beckham)