

Partnerships International, Inc.

EIGHTH ANNUAL

“Partnering for Compliance™” West

(NOTE: “CUSTOMS/IMPORTS BOOT CAMP” - 1-DAY PROGRAM on Friday, October 13th, 2017) Imports details on page five (5) below & **separate payment structure on page six (6) below.)**

with the participation of the

U.S. Departments of State, Commerce, Defense,
Homeland Security, NIST, Census Bureau, OFAC & U.S. Trade

October 10th, 11th & 12th, 2017

(Speakers & agenda details listed on pages 2, 3, 4 & 5 below)

(Kindly forward details to your contractors, suppliers and clients etc.)

VENUE: Dallas-Fort Worth Marriott South Airport Hotel

(completely renovated)

4151 Centreport Blvd.

Fort Worth, TX 76155

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The collegial & interactive 8th Annual “Partnering for Compliance™” West will focus on a broad spectrum of export/import regulatory & compliance matters of current relevance.

Senior-level government speakers will provide solid & recent updates on US initiatives & policies regarding export control licensing/enforcement. Extensive Q&A sessions.

Transparent and equitable reservation policy is strictly limited to the first 200 attendees on a first-registered, first-paid basis. NOTE: All speakers have agreed, time permitting, to speak informally on a ‘one-to-one’ basis with participants.

An official Certificate of Completion outlining our 4.5 IIEI CEUs and 20 CES NCBFAA Credits for 3-day Exports program, and 6.5 CCS NCBFAA Credits for 1-day Customs/Import Boot Camp program will be presented to all participants. **CLE CREDITS:** Accreditation may be sought individually/collectively by participant(s) in their jurisdictions. We understand that such has been sought and granted for our programs in e.g. Arizona, California etc.

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 10th, 2017 (*Business Casual Dress*)

07:30 – 07:45 am **Networking** (Buffet breakfast for conference attendees only served in hotel dining room)

07:45 – 08:00 Welcome, Administrative Remarks
Ailish NicPhaidin (C)* President & CEO, Partnerships International, Inc.

8:00 – 8:30 **Opening Keynote Address: The Honorable Brian Nilsson (C)***
Deputy Assistant Secretary, Defense Trade Controls, Department of State
TOPIC: Export Control Developments and Plans in the New Administration

8:30 – 10:30 **Dale C. Kelly (C)***
Chief, International Trade Management Division, U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce
TOPIC: Mandatory Electronic Export Information - The Inside Track for Partners

10:30 – 10:50 **COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK**

10:50 – 12:00 **Protecting America's Critical Technology**

- **Dean Fittz (C)***
Special Agent, Counter Proliferation Investigations, ICE/HSI, Irving, TX
TOPIC: Project Shield America – You are the frontline in protecting America's critical technology; **and other updates.**

12:00 – 12:45 **LUNCHEON & NETWORKING BREAK**

12:45 – 2:10 **Enforcement Issues in International Trade**

- **Cynthia Romero (C)*** U.S. Customs & Border Protection Officer, A-TECT/EXODUS Enforcement Team, Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport
TOPIC: How to partner & avoid seizures, fines, forfeitures and penalties (*ICE/CBP portions are based on real situations recently faced by DHS*).

2:10 – 3:25 **James Fuller (C)***
Special Agent, Irving, Texas, OEE/BIS, Department of Commerce
TOPIC: Partnering at Work – Confronting Enforcement, to include: OEE's Voluntary Self Disclosure practices

3:25 – 3:40 **COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK**

3:40 – 4:30 **OPEN Q & A FORUM**
Panel: Dale Kelly *** James Fuller *** Cynthia Romero *** Dean Fittz

4:30 – 5:00 **David Royce (C)*** Senior International Trade Specialist
U.S. Department of Commerce-U.S. Commercial Service
TOPIC: USCSs important programs & updates

(NOTE: A voluntary, intensive introductory ITAR 101 workshop for SMB and novice participants will cover a basic overview of ITAR licensing regulations to better prepare such participants for the sessions on Day 2. This will take place today from 5:15 p.m. until approx. 6:30 p.m. You are most welcome to attend.)

Tentative Agenda - Subject to Change

Wednesday, October 11th, 2017 *(Business Casual Dress)*

07:30 – 07:45 am **Networking** (Buffet breakfast for conference attendees only served in hotel dining room)

07:45 – 08:00 Administrative Updates

(Note: Departments of State and Defense segments will endeavor to include entry, intermediate, and advanced level participants as far as possible and practical).

08:00 – 11:45 **Terry L. Davis (C)* & Audra Collins (C)*** (NOTE: Coffee breaks at speakers' discretion)
Acting Office Director, & Licensing Officer (respectively), Directorate of Defense Trade Controls-Licensing – (DDTL), Office of Defense Trade Controls, Department of State, Washington, DC
TOPIC: Department of State Update – to include basics of making a license determination under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); DoS policy; positions, initiatives and updates

11:45 – 12:20 **LUNCHEON & NETWORKING BREAK**

12:20 – 1:40 **Susan G. Daoussi (C)***
Defense Technology Security Administration, Licensing Directorate-Munitions Division, (DTSA), Office of the Undersecretary of Defense, Policy, Washington DC
TOPIC : The Defense Technology Security Administration's role in Department of Defense Technology Security matters

1:40 – 2:45 **Daniel Buzby (C)***
Senior Compliance Advisor, Office of Defense Trade Controls - Compliance, Directorate Defense Trade Controls (DDTC), Department of State, Washington, D.C.
TOPIC: Compliance & Enforcement Trends, Implementing an Effective Company Compliance Program

2:45 – 3:00 **COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK**

3:00 – 3:45 **Open Q & A Forum with Mr. Davis, Ms Collins, Ms Daoussi & Mr. Buzby**

3:45 – 5:00 **Adrienne Braumiller, Esq. (C)* & Bruce Leeds, Esq. (C)***
Principal & Of Counsel/Senior Attorney, Braumiller Law Group, PLLC, Dallas, TX
TOPIC: Overview and Impact of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act
To include **Q & A**

5:00 – 5:10 “Mentor of Excellence” and Scholarships Awards Presentations – to include our prestigious Gerard Alexander Monk Memorial Scholarship.

(NOTE: As time permits, Mr. Davis, Ms Daoussi and Enforcement Representative will hold short “one-to-one” informal meetings with participants on a “first-come, first-served” basis).

(NOTE: A voluntary, intensive introductory EAR 101 workshop for SMB and novice participants will cover a basic overview of EAR licensing regulations to better prepare such participants for the sessions on Day 3. This will take place today from 5:15 p.m. until approx. 6:30 p.m. You are most welcome to attend).

Thursday, October 12th, 2017 (Casual Dress Day)

07:30 – 07:45 am **Networking** (Buffet breakfast for conference attendees only served in hotel dining room)
(We urge you to stay for the full day’s program: it is rare to get these experts together in one place)

(Note: Department of Commerce segment will endeavor to include entry, intermediate and advanced level participants as far as possible and practical.)

08:00 – 12:30 **Lani Tito (C)*** (NOTE: Coffee breaks at speaker’s discretion)
Export Administration Specialist, Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Western Regional Office, Department of Commerce, San Jose, CA
TOPIC: Scope of the Export Administration Regulations; EAR order of review to include "Specially Designed"; Determining License Requirements; License Exceptions; Export Compliance Programs. **To include Q & A**

12:30 – 1:15 **LUNCHEON & NETWORKING BREAK**

1:15 – 3:30 **Kelley L. Dempsey (C)***
Senior Information Security Specialist, Information Technology Laboratory/Computer Security Division, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
TOPIC: Protecting Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) in Nonfederal Information Systems and Organizations **To include Q & A**

3:30 – 5:00 **Geri Averytt (C)***
Enforcement Officer, Office of Foreign Asset Control, U.S. Treasury Department
TOPIC: Export Control & Sanctions Enforcement: The Higher Walls that Come with this Smaller Backyard! **To include Q & A**

5:00 Closing remarks and adjournment of “Partnering for Compliance™” Program

PROGRAM Q & A and WORKSHOP MODERATORS: Barbara Clements, (C)*, Barbara Clements Associates

NOTE: *Export Control Reform will be discussed by each Department representative as it affects their Departments.* **ALSO:** As time permits, all Government and trade speakers will informally hold short “one-to-one” meetings with participants on a “first-come, first-served” basis.

The interactive Question & Answer Fora are designed to answer the many, varied, and pertinent questions that exporters and importers face on a daily basis. We invite you to participate courteously, fully, and actively in these sessions. The sessions are designed to answer all your pertinent questions. Participants please note: Government officials will not discuss sensitive national security issues.

PLEASE NOTE: All speakers’ presentations and remarks are strictly off-the-record, not for attribution, and not-for-publication without the prior written authorization of the individual speaker(s).

(C)*= Confirmed (I)= Invited (See page (5) below re “Customs/Imports Boot Camp” details)**

“CUSTOMS/IMPORTS BOOT CAMP” - 1-Day SEPARATE PROGRAM on Friday, October 13th, 2017. Separate payment structure for this one-day event is on page six (6) below.

SPEAKERS: Adrienne Braumiller, Esq. (C)* and Bruce Leeds, Esq. (C)* Braumiller Law Group, PLLC

1. (8:30-9:30AM) Introduction to CBP

- Agencies and parties
- Materials, websites, Regulations and HTS
- Definitions

2. (9:45-10:30AM) Entries and clearance

- Entries and the entry process
- Bonds and EIN numbers
- Brokers and powers of attorney
- ACE Program and ACE Cargo Release

3. (10:45AM-12:00PM) HTS Classification, Duty and Fees

- Classification in the HTS
- MPF and HMF
- ADD/CVD
- Free Trade Agreements
- Chapter 98 classifications
- Foreign Trade Zones and bonded warehouses
- Drawback

12:00 Noon - 12:45PM - Luncheon & Networking

4. (12:45-1:45PM) Valuation for Customs

- Customs value
- Reconciliation

5. Other Requirements (1:45-2:45PM)

- Other US Government agency requirements
- Country of Origin marking
- Intellectual Property Rights enforcement
- Recordkeeping
- ISF requirements

6. (3:00-4:00PM) Customs Programs

- C-TPAT Program
- ISA and Trusted Trader programs
- Centers of Excellence & Expertise

7. (4:00-4:45PM) Remedies and Enforcement

- Filing claims and protests
- Audits and Focused Assessment
- Prior Disclosures
- Penalties

Tentative Agenda - Subject to Change

8th Annual "Partnering for Compliance™" West Conference & "Customs/Imports Boot Camp"

Registration Information (*Reservations are limited to first 200 paid registrants for 3-Day Export Control program and 1-Day "Customs/Import Boot Camp" program.*)

Registration Fee(s) cover: Admission to four-day and/or three-day conference, a hard copy of all available course materials, official Certificate of Completion, luncheon and coffee breaks on each day.

Registration Information

Fee schedule for all pre-registered and pre-paid registrations received by COB Friday, September 22nd, 2017:

Non-US Government	US\$600.00	Customs/Imports \$200.00	Both Programs: \$800.00
US Government Employees**	US\$150.00	Customs/Imports \$150.00	Both Programs: \$300.00

Fee schedule for all registrations received after COB Friday, September 22nd, 2017 - must be pre-paid to ensure access:

Non-US Government	US\$650.00	Customs/Imports \$245.00	Both Programs: \$895.00
US Government Employees**	US\$190.00	Customs/Imports \$150.00	Both Programs: \$340.00

↑ ↑ ↑ ****The special US Government rate does not apply to any Government contractors** ↑ ↑ ↑

Direct debit/credit card online payment is only through PayPal. PayPal membership/account is now NOT necessary.

Online registrations with credit/debit card payments are available only at our website:

<http://www.partneringforcompliance.org/register.html>

Registrants who wish to complete the registration form (page 8 below) and pay by check, to reach us no later than Tuesday, September 26th, 2017, may do so by making checks payable to:

"Partnering for Compliance" and mail to:

A. E. NicPhaidin, Director, "Partnering for Compliance™"
211 Cocoa Street SE, Palm Bay, FL 32909-4314, USA

If further details are needed phone: 321-952-2978, or email: Info@PartneringForCompliance.org

Website/Online Registrations & Payments – (PayPal is our ONLY means of accepting online/credit/debit card payments):

An email from "Partnering for Compliance™" (billing@partneringforcompliance.org) indicating that the online registration process has begun, and an email receipt from PayPal (member@PayPal.com) for electronic payment, will be sent to all online registrants, and both emails are final written confirmation that registration is completed and acknowledged. Both of these acknowledgement emails will be sent to the email address given by each registrant at the time of online registration and payment. **If you are not a member of PayPal please choose the option: "Pay with debit or credit card or PayPal credit".** Non-online registrations only: If paying by check/money order, initial registration via email or fax is recommended, and payment must follow with original completed registration form (page 8 below) to ensure accuracy of registration. NOTE: Registrations will not be processed until payment is received. All non-paid registrations will be held in our "pending" file for seven (7) working days. Thereafter, they will be cancelled if payment is not received. Such registrations will be confirmed as processed by email only upon receipt of payment. Participation in any Partnerships International, Inc. (PII) events, and any associated activities, is at individual's own risk and expense. PII accepts no responsibility for any personal security/risk and/or for any loss of or damage to any items or persons.

CANCELLATION / SUBSTITUTION / CHANGES/NAME BADGE - POLICIES:

All cancellations must be in writing. Cancellations to COB September 19th, 2017 will receive a full refund by check, less a US\$40.⁰⁰ handling fee for each program. Regrettably cancellations after COB September 19th, 2017 will not receive a refund or credit towards any future programs. This date/policy applies to all delegates irrespective of the cancellation reason(s) as all conference expenditures will have been fully committed by this date. Substitutions for the program(s), with full details in writing, will be processed at no additional charge up to COB on October 6th, 2017. No cancellations or substitutions will be accepted telephonically. 'No-shows' for the program will be billed for charges, and payment will be expected. No refund for all "no-shows". Bank-returned checks' fee is US\$40.⁰⁰. Delegates may not "share" a pass between multiple attendees. We maintain our conference fees at an absolute minimum to facilitate all businesses, especially SMBs. All delegates must wear their name badge (available at the registration desk) throughout the program for identification purposes. **Partnerships International, Inc. (PII)** reserves the right to cancel any program it deems necessary and will, in such event, make a full refund of any paid conference registration fees, (except in the case of the hotel's force majeure terms, i.e. acts of God, government authority, disaster, or other emergencies, any of which make it illegal or impossible for the hotel to provide the facilities and/or services for PII's events), without liability for any expenses incurred by any registered delegate(s) for any reason to include airfare, hotel, car hire and/or any other costs incurred by any delegate(s). No responsibility or liability is assumed by PII for any changes in program date(s), content(s), speaker(s) and venue(s) etc. Registrations received after September 29th, 2017 should note that non-payment does not constitute cancellation. Such registrants will be billed and payment will be expected. Regrettably, potential participants who do not register for event(s) and yet come to the venue in the expectation of attending may not be able to gain entry owing to legal physical capacity constraints. Such potential registrants should call in advance to ensure a place is available for them. Your agreement with these policies is necessary and appreciated.

NO EXCEPTIONS.

Hotel Details

Any transportation, hotel accommodation reservations and payments, any car-parking arrangements and any car rental reservations and payments etc. are strictly the responsibility of each individual participant and are **NOT** the responsibility of the organizers. Organizers will accept **NO** liability regarding these matters or any other related expenses. Any requests for refunds etc. of hotel room reservations/expenses must be made directly with the hotel.

We have made special arrangements for participants attending the conference with:

Dallas-Fort Worth Marriott South Airport Hotel (completely renovated)
4151 Centreport Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX 76155

Reservations: 1-888-236-2427

Free shuttle service from Dallas-Fort Worth Airport approximately every half hour.

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Free Hotel Airport Shuttle: It is important that all participants call the hotel to request to be picked up. There is not a regular shuttle that passes by on a schedule. Please contact the hotel directly at 817-358-1700 and emphasize it is the D/FW Airport Marriott South Airport Hotel. There is also a D/FW Airport Marriott North.

Reservations MUST be made by COB Friday, September 22nd to get the special government rate.

A reasonable, yet limited, block of rooms has been reserved for the conference until COB September 22nd, 2017 or until the room-block has been sold out, whichever occurs first. We strongly encourage participants to book their hotel room(s) sooner rather than later to avoid disappointment. To avoid a cancellation penalty for individual reservations of room and tax, reservations must be canceled 48 hours prior to arrival.

Dallas-Fort Worth Marriott South Hotel has given us a special government rate for all participants of **\$152.00 + T&G per night (single or double). Dining room Buffet Breakfast included in room rate for conference attendees ONLY.** Should participants wish to arrive early and/or remain in the Dallas-Fort Worth area after the conference, the hotel will offer these same rates. We have stayed at this hotel and can confirm that, although it is near the airport, there is little-to-no aircraft noise level due to the architectural design and construction of the hotel in accordance with Dallas-Fort Worth, State of Texas and national noise level guidelines. Car parking is free.

Reservations may also be made directly to the hotel by phoning it and stating that you are attending the "Partnering for Compliance™" West 2017 conference or through its website outlined above.

NOTE: There are three other events in the hotel during these dates. We strongly recommend early hotel reservation since the number of reserved rooms is reasonable yet limited.

If you book the hotel by telephone, to get the special government rates for hotel nights, you must inform the hotel that you are attending the "Partnering for Compliance™" Conference on October 10th to October 12th, 2017 (if you so choose), and/or for the separate "Customs/Import Boot Camp" only on October 13th, 2017. We urge you to make early reservations. We wish you a most fruitful and enjoyable program, and a pleasant stay in Texas.

Each attendee is responsible for arranging his/her own transportation to and from the program center.

Partnerships International, Inc. and the Dallas-Fort Worth Marriott Hotel South comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Attendees with special needs, including special food needs, should email us outlining specific needs/requirements by COB Thursday, September 26th, 2017 and we will be glad to facilitate him/her to the very best of our ability.

REGISTRATION FORM

All attendees **must** complete the **entire form (including email address)**, and send it to the address below:

This registration includes attendee's information and payment in full.

This registration includes attendee's information only – payment via check or money order to follow.

(Note: All payment must be received by Tuesday, September 26th, 2017. Registrations will not be processed until payment is received. Your chosen payment amount below will inform us if you are attending one or both programs, i.e. 3-Day Export Control program and/or 1-Day Customs/Imports Boot Camp program).

Full Name (Type/Print): _____

Company Title: _____

Company Name: _____

Email address: _____

Full Address: _____

(including mail code) _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Cell: _____

Check/Money Order attached (please state amount): \$

Check/Money Order to follow (please state amount): \$

Signature _____

(email transmission will be considered as signed by registrant)

All non-online registration forms and fees should be mailed to:
(Check/Money Order payments should be made payable to "Partnering for Compliance")

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"Partnering for Compliance™"
211 Cocoa Street, S.E.,
Palm Bay, FL 32909-4314, USA
and/or details faxed in advance to: + 321-953-0234
or emailed to: Info@PartneringForCompliance.org

to reach us no later than COB Wednesday, October 4th, 2017

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