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Keynote Speaker:





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Colonel John Agnello is a United States Army Cyber Branch officer currently stationed at the United States Army Cyber Center of Excellence (CoE), at Fort Eisenhower, GA, as the Director of the Army Program Officer for Information Advantage, where he oversees the development and implementation of Information Advantage across of elements of DOTMLPF-P for the CCoE. Prior to that as-

signment, COL Agnello was the Director of the Commander's Planning Group, where he was responsible for Public Affairs, Protocol, strategic engagements and planning on behalf of the Commanding General. Prior to his assignments to the Cyber CoE, COL Agnello was assigned to United States Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM), in Fort Meade, MD, as the Chief of the Development Branch in USCYBERCOM's Acquisition and Technology Directorate (J9), responsible for all offensive and defensive tool development as well as data science and data analytics. Prior to that, he was a Joint Cyber Operations Team Leader in USCYBERCOM; responsible for supporting Combatant Commanders' objectives including: planning, coordinating, directing, and executing daily cyber missions through four separately focused cyber teams; in addition to maintaining infrastructure, training, capability development, mission execution, and support services.

Prior to his assignments at USCYBERCOM, COL Agnello was stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany as the Research & Development subject matter expert for the Defense Science and Technology Center – Europe, where he reviewed international technologies on behalf of the US DoD; followed by the Deputy Director of the Ground Intelligence Support Activity – East; where he was responsible for managing nine different networks at over 45 various locations throughout Europe, Africa, and the Middle East, and established the first Intelligence Support Cell for Defensive Cyberspace Operations in US Army Europe (USAREUR).

Prior to his cyber specific roles, COL Agnello was a Field Artillery Officer who spent nine years in the 3rd Infantry Division in roles including: Sustainment Automation Systems Management Officer, Rear Detachment Commander, Company Commander, Assistant Operations Officer, Battalion Fire Direction Officer, and Division Fire Control Officer. Prior to his assignments at Fort Stewart, GA, COL Agnello was a Battalion Fire Direction Officer and a Battery Executive Officer at Fort Sill, OK.

John is a combat veteran of Operations Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. His military training includes: Joint Network Attack Course, Joint Computer Network Operational Planners Course, Information Systems Management Course, and many more.

John holds a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Hofstra University. Additionally, he is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA), Qualified Ethical Hacker (QEH), and Security+ and Network+ certified.

John is married to the former Nikki Bernardi, from Ellicott City, MD. They have five children between the two of them, HM2 Taylor Carapellucci (25), Jeremy Jones (23), Ashley Agnello (21), Ryan Jones (20), and Michael Agnello (16); and they have one grandson Robbie Carapellucci (3).



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