

Homeland Security Cargo Summit
December 16-17, 2004
Georgetown University Conference Center
3800 Reservoir Road, Washington, DC

Overview: The Homeland Security Cargo Summit will allow for a structured conversation between government and the private sector on current and future initiatives for cargo security. DHS will present its strategic framework for cargo security, and give industry an opportunity to discuss critical issues, and provide input to HSI and DHS to complete the development of a cargo security strategy.

Day 1, December 16, 2004

8:30 Registration Opens

9:00 HSI Welcome

Randall Yim, Director, Homeland Security Institute

9:10 DHS Welcome and Introduction of Keynote

The Honorable Asa Hutchinson, Under Secretary, Border and Transportation Security, Department of Homeland Security

9:15 Keynote Address

The Honorable Tom Ridge, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security

9:45 Break

10:00 Panel: Industry Views on a Sustainable Path Forward for Cargo Security

Moderator: Peter Tirschwell, Journal of Commerce

Speaker: Ted Langhoff, Unisys

Speaker: Stephanie Richelieu, TradeBeam

Speaker: Tom McAuliffe, Motorola

Speaker: Rosa Hakala, Home Depot

Speaker: Terry Gibson, Science Applications International Corporation

Speaker: Gary Gilbert, Hutchinson Port Holdings

Speaker: David-Santana Ortiz, Ph.D., RAND Corporation

Speaker: Maria Luisa O'Connell, Border Trade Alliance

11:30 End of Open Session

11:50 Lunch for Discussion Group Participants

Host: Randall Yim, Director, Homeland Security Institute

Speaker: Adm. James M. Loy, Deputy Secretary, DHS

Speaker: Michael Jackson, AECOM

2:00 Discussion Group Meetings – (HSI Invitation Only)

1. Data collection and analysis

This working group will focus on the Department's efforts to establish tools for effective risk assessment across the supply chain, including build-out of ACE, Targeting and Selectivity, Freight Assessment, and enhanced Maritime Domain Awareness.

2. Processes & technologies for validated secure stuffing

This working group will address the challenge of ensuring that threats are not introduced at the point of stuffing, particularly in foreign locations. Areas for discussion may include procedures at point of stuffing, methods for sealing, third party validation, technology applications, etc.

3. The future of C-TPAT and public-private partnerships across the supply chain

Securing cargo across the supply chain may require a combination of regulations and incentives to ensure that all critical actors in the supply chain are part of a secure process. Participants will discuss current and new ideas for ensuring a greater degree of security.

4. Towards a domestic cargo security regime

Domestic cargo security presents unique challenges. Participants will be asked to help DHS define the priority challenges, risks, and vulnerabilities as well as appropriate response mechanisms.

5:00 Wrap Up

Adm. James Loy, Deputy Secretary, DHS

6:00 Adjourn

Day 2, December 17, 2004

8:30 Welcome (HSI Invitation Only)

Randall Yim, Director, Homeland Security Institute

8:40 Opening Remarks (HSI Invitation Only)

The Honorable Robert C. Bonner, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

8:50 Discussion Group Meetings – (HSI Invitation Only)

5. Screening and Detection technologies and processes

Much of the public debate on cargo security has been focused on inspection of cargo. This working group will focus on the role of non-intrusive as well as CBRN technologies for inspection of high risk cargo as part of a layered system for ensuring security of the supply chain.

6. Integrating tamper evidence, seals, Container Security Devices, “Smart Containers” and their role in targeting high risk cargo

The use of Container Security Devices, e-seals, RFID, and other technology holds promise for ensuring a greater degree of en route security and differentiating high risk from low risk cargo. Participants will discuss the results of OSC, the S&T Advanced Container Security Device Program, and other efforts to test technologies and to help DHS further prioritize and determine whether and how such technologies should be implemented.

7. Ensuring the continuity of trade lanes in the event of an attack

Many segments of the cargo and supply chain industry have expressed the need for protocols to ensure supply chain facilitation in the event of an attack that disrupts the supply chain. This group will focus on providing the steps that need to be taken in order to ensure DHS and the affected industry entities are working towards the establishment of clearly defined protocols.

8. Development of International Standards

Any domestic security requirements must be adopted internationally to ensure that supply chains are secure. This working group will discuss ways to facilitate international adoption of standards.

12:00 Wrap Up

Adm. James Loy, Deputy Secretary, DHS

1:00 Adjourn