



60th DEFENSE WORKING GROUP ON NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING



FROM: Chairperson, Defense Working Group on Nondestructive Testing
TO: All Commanders, U.S. Government Agencies and their Nondestructive Testing
Representatives

**Subject: FIRST CALL FOR PROBLEM AND/OR TECHNICAL PAPERS FOR THE 60th DEFENSE
WORKING GROUP ON NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING (DWGNDT)**

1. The 60th Defense Working Group on Nondestructive Testing (DWGNDT) is hosted this year by the NAVAIR Jacksonville Materials Engineering Division and will be held from **4-6 December, 2012**, at the **Renaissance Conference Center, St Augustine, FL**.

2. The DWGNDT is an annual meeting of engineers, scientists, technicians and managers from U.S. Government activities who have the responsibility for development or application of NDT methods in research, engineering, maintenance, and quality assurance. It is hosted alternately by the Army, Navy, Air Force and Defense Contract Management Agency and has been found to serve as an excellent vehicle for the exchange of information among all activities. This exchange has proven to be a cost effective way of avoiding duplication of effort and providing ready access throughout all U.S. Government activities for information. It is therefore requested that the widest possible distribution be given to this "Call for Papers".

3. The Working Group is restricted to U.S. military, government civilian and government contract personnel under the direct control of a military or government civilian; identification will be required. Non-government organizations, however, which are performing specific NDT/NDI/NDE projects, are invited to present technical and/or problem papers. Only those projects that are government funded, sponsored by an active U.S. military or government civilian employee, and approved by the Steering Committee will be allowed. Non-government presenters shall be restricted from the working group session area; however, the full Wednesday session of this year's working group will be open to non-government presenters and other personnel that support DoD NDT.

4. The DWGNDT is focusing efforts on Problem Solving at this year's meeting. We are actively looking for inspection problems with the goal of providing NDT input and solutions from our knowledgeable members. Please consider presenting a problem paper to the general membership. However, if a specific problem will not fill a 20-30 minutes time-slot for single presentation, it can still be submitted for inclusion during The Problem Solving Session for discussion and possible resolution.

5. Email abstracts for technical papers that you are interested in presenting to the DWG Speaker Coordinator, Melanie Kerns at melanie.kerns@navy.mil. You may also contact Melanie Kerns at (619) 556-2960. Abstracts must be received no later than September 3, 2012. The format for problem and technical paper abstracts is included on our web page at www.dwgndt.org. Submitters will be notified of the acceptance or rejection of their paper by mail no later than September 20, 2012.

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