

62nd DEFENSE WORKING GROUP ON NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING



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From: Chairperson, Defense Working Group on Nondestructive Testing

To: All Commanders, U.S. Government Agencies and their Nondestructive Testing

Representatives

Subject: INVITATION TO THE 62nd DEFENSE WORKING GROUP ON NONDESTRUCTIVE TESTING

- 1. The 62nd Defense Working Group on Nondestructive Testing (DWGNDT) will be held from July 14 through 19, 2024, at the Sheraton Music City Hotel, 777 McGavock Pike, Nashville, TN 37214. This year's meeting will commence with optional training sessions on Monday. Technical breakout sessions will occur on Tuesday and Wednesday, and a full day of technical presentations will be held on Thursday. The meeting will conclude on Friday with a half day to update the membership on the progress of the breakout meetings and follow-on action items.
- 2. The DWGNDT is an annual meeting of engineers, scientists, technicians, and managers from U.S. Government activities with the responsibility for the development or application of NDT methods in research, engineering, maintenance, repair and quality assurance services. This working group serves as an excellent vehicle for the exchange of NDT knowledge and has for over 60 years. The DWNDT has proven to be a cost-effective method for avoiding duplication of effort and providing ready access to U.S. Government activities with the most current information in the field of nondestructive testing. Additionally, meeting attendees can earn training points towards recertification of their ASNT Level III credentials and may receive training credit from their command. It is requested that the widest possible distribution be given to this invitation.
- 3. The DWGNDT is open to the U.S. military personnel, U.S. Government civilian personnel, and government contract personnel who perform under the direct responsibility of a military command or U.S. government agency. Non-government organizations, however, which are performing specific NDT/NDI/NDE projects, are invited to present technical and/or problem papers. Typically, some sessions are restricted to government personnel and are controlled.
- 4. Participation in the technical breakout meetings provides a prime opportunity to share your challenges and discuss solutions related to NDT/NDI/NDE issues within your immediate organization. Problem topics you wish to discuss can be emailed to problem_topics@dwgndt.org.
- 5. The registration fee is \$450.00, payable in the form of cash or credit card during check-in. Credit card payment will be accepted in advance. DWGNDT registration is available through our website, www.dwgndt.org. The cutoff for registration is June 30, 2024. Attire for the working group and training sessions will be business casual for civilians and comparable service uniform for military attendees.
- 6. Hotel reservations may be made using the following link:

https://book.passkey.com/e/50709264

However, if calling the property to make a reservation be sure to identity yourself as an attendee of the Defense Working Group on Nondestructive Testing in order to receive the discounted rate.

Please make hotel reservations early. The cutoff date for the discounted rate is <u>June 24, 2024</u>.

- 7. You are encouraged to take advantage of the training provided this year on Monday. The intended training topics offered will be Phased Array Ultrasonics, Digital Radiography, NDT Program Management, Digitizing NDT Data, and Eddy Current. There may be some changes to course topics, but the course names and descriptions will be published on dwgndt.org when finalized.
- 8. On behalf of the 62nd DWGNDT Steering Committee, I look forward to seeing you this July in Nashville, Tennessee. I am confident that the 62nd DWGNDT will be an outstanding and memorable event.

Mr. Ian Hawkins Chairperson, 62nd Defense Working Group on Nondestructive Testing