The Commonwealth: Preparing for an AAM Future



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7:00 am	Registration opens w/ Coffee Bar
8:00-8:10 am	Opening Remarks: The Commonwealth: Preparing for an AAM Future
	Daniel Wolfe, President, AUVSI Hampton Roads
8:10-8:30 am	Keynote Speakers: Senator Mark Warner (by video)
8:30-8:45 am	Keynote Speaker: Michael Robbins, President & CEO, AUVSI
8:45-9:00 am	Keynote Speaker: Jennifer Kibler, Acting Deputy Director, Research Directorate, NASA Langley Research Center
9:00-10:00 am	Panel 1: AAM Manufacturers
	Moderator: Mike Hirschberg, Director of Strategy, Vertical Flight Society
	Chris Caputo, Team Member, Beta Technologies
	Jude Augustine, Co-Founder & CEO, Tidal Flight
	Kriya Shortt, President & CEO, Textron eAviation
	Kevin Antcliff, Senior Government Program Manager, Joby Aviation
10:00-10:20 am	Coffee Break
10:20-10:50 am	Keynote Speaker: Off-Shore VTOL/eVTOL Operations
	Amanda "Mandy" Nelson, Director of Strategic Relationships, Advanced Air Mobility, Bristow
	Group
10:50-11:20 am	Keynote Speaker: Making the Life Saving Delivery
	Mikael Cardinal, VP, E-Aviation & Business Development, Unither Bioelectronics
11:20-12:20 pm	Panel 2: AAM Regional Airports & Vertiports
	Moderator: Greg Campbell, Director, Virginia Department of Aviation
	Steve Fox, Managing Member, Hampton Roads Executive Airport
	Keith Holt, Airport Director, VTMEA
	Keith Meurlin, President, Washington Airports Task Force
	Scott Denny, AAM Project Manager, Virginia DOAV
12:20-1:15 pm	Networking, Catered Lunch
1:15-1:45 pm	Keynote Speaker: Coastal Transportation – The Chesapeake Connector
	Billy Thalheimer, CEO, Regent Craft
1:45-2:45 pm	Panel 3: Virginia AAM Innovation
	Moderator: Tracy Tynan, Director, VA Unmanned Systems Center, VIPC
	Chris Sadler, Director, Public Safety Center, VIPC
	Doug Smith, President & CEO Hampton Roads Alliance
	Nancy Grden, President & CEO, Hampton Roads Executive Roundtable
2:45-3:00 pm	Break
3:00-4:00 pm	Panel 4: VA AAM Hydrogen Research, Infrastructure

	Moderator: Bruce Holmes, Holmes Consulting
	Brett Malone, President and CEO, Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center
	Michael Dyment, Founder and Managing Partner, NEXA Capital Partners
	Todd Quackenbush, Co-Chief Executive Officer, Continuum Dynamics, Inc
	William Lehner, CEO, Independence Hydrogen
4:00-5:00 pm	Panel 5: DOD AAM Developments
	Moderator: Dr. William Lewis , President & CEO, T4
	Frank Ball, Director, sUAS Training Facility, TALSA-East
	John Matyjas, Director, S & T Office, USAF Air Combat Command
	Dr. James Kirsch, Director, Aviation & Missile Center, Army Futures Command
	Oliver Hilgartner, Regional Engagement Principal, National Security
	Innovation Network, Defense Innovation Unit
5:00-7:00 pm	Day 1 Closing Comments / Networking Reception (Marriott Rotunda)
	Daniel Wolfe, President, AUVSI Hampton Roads





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Day 2, Thursday, October 03, 2024 (Marriott City Center)



7:00 am	Coffee Bar
8:00-8:20 am	Keynote Speaker: Preparing for an AAM Future
	Winsome Earle-Sears (Invited), Lieutenant Governor of Virginia
8:20-8:40 am	Keynote Speaker: Congressman Rob Wittman (Invited), VA 1st District
8:40-9:40 am	Panel 6: AAM Economic Development, Virginia
	Moderator: Doug Smith, President & CEO, Hampton Roads Alliance
	Charles Bauman, Economic Development, Virginia Beach
	Mike "Yaz" Yaskowsky, Manager of Economic Development, Hampton
	Swanka Burnette, VDEP
	Tom O'Grady, Economic Development, Newport News, VA
9:40-9:50 am	Keynote Speaker: Expanding Deliveries Across the Commonwealth
	Tom Walker, CEO & Cofounder, DroneUp
9:50-10:00 am	Coffee Break
10:00-10:20 am	Keynote Speaker: AAM Regional Vertiport Planning
	Paul Brooks, Manager of Regulatory Affairs - Americas, Skyports
10:20-11:20 am	Panel 7: AAM Academia Research Update
	Moderator: Yiannis Papelis, Director, Virginia Institute of Spaceflight & Autonomy, Old Dominion
	University
	John Murray, Aviation Department Chair, Hampton University
	Anton (Toni) Riedl, Department Chair, Physics, Computer Science & Engineering,
	Christopher Newport University
	Thomas Alberts, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering Department, Old Dominion University
11:20-11:50 am	Keynote Speaker: VTOL vs STOL Not Much Runway Required
	John Langford, Founder & CEO, Electra.aero
11:50-12:45 pm	Networking, Catered Lunch
12:45-1:45 pm	Panel 8: AAM Workforce Development
	Moderator: Karen Jackson, President & CEO, Apogee Strategic Partners
	Chris Carter, Virginia Space Grant Consortium
	Carrie Roth, Director, Virginia Works, Dept of Workforce & Advancement
	Julie Young, Director, eAviation & Drone Academy
1:45-2:45 pm	Panel 9: NASA Langley AAM Research
	Moderator: John Koelling, Director, Aeronautics Directorate, NASA Langley
	UAS Operations

	AAM Infrastructure
	PM, RVLT
2:45-3:00 pm	Day 2 Closing Comments
	Daniel Wolfe, President, AUVSI Hampton Roads
	Jonathan Kelly, President, Virginia AeroSpace Business Association
3:00-6:00 pm	Symposium Adjourns
6:00-7:00pm	Cocktail Reception (requires Gala ticket)
	Entertainment: The Nick Kepics Jazz Band
7:00-10:00pm	VASBA GALA Dinner (Marriott City Center)
	Keynote Speaker: TBD
	Master of Ceremonies: Nicole Livas from 13News Now
	Entertainment: The Strolling Silver Strings

