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WELCOME TO THE FIRST ISSUE OF TECHNOPÔLE'S NEWSLETTER

Dear reader:

Free newsletters are now part of everyday life. We sincerely hope that you enjoy its contents and will continue to do so in the future. Each issue will tell you about our partners/associates and how they can help you and will highlight special events, fast facts, news, new hires, etc.

We are launching this newsletter so that our members feels more connected to what's going on at Technopôle Defence and Security - the first in series of monthly newsletters that gives you the latest on our progress in recruiting new members, our vision for the future, and anything we think you'll find interesting. We would love to hear from you - send your feedback and suggestions to Marie-Josée Rutizer marie-josée.rutizer@technopoleds.org

Website

We are inviting you to visit our website that is now online at www.technopoleds.org

Intranet

To guarantee the success of the company's results, a management structure is needed favouring the sharing of well defined responsibilities. It is necessary to exchange more and more information to ensure a greater internal cohesion. A better structuring of the departments and relations between them are essential. We are very anxious to have it running as it will become our major management tool.

The procedures to have access to our intranet will be sent to you soon.

FAST FACTS:

√ Technopôle is proud to announce that **Telops** has won the Fidéide "High Technology" at the Gala des Fidéides held on March 16th. **Telops** is renowned worldwide for its expertise in optics with applications in the field of teledetection and telecommunications. This award is very special for the **Telops** team since it highlights their great teamwork!

√ Technopôle is proud to announce that **Creaform** has won the Fidéide in two categories: Young innovating company and Innovation using the optic and photonic technology. **Creaform** develops and sells the Handyscan, the first self-position hand-held 3D laser camera. This state of the art scanner gives real time 3D rendering visualization and the file can be exported in any standard formats. **Creaform** is a leader on the int'l market.

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Let's all welcome our new Business Development Director Gilles Dupont, P.Eng., M.Eng., CD

Gilles Dupont is a graduate of the Royal Military College of Canada who served in the Army in the Corps of Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RCEME) for 27 years. After several command and staff appointments, he was sent on post-graduate training at Carleton University in Ottawa to complete his Master degree in Electrical Engineering with specialty in computer systems telecommunications. While at Carleton, Mr. Dupont also completed all requirements for his PhD in Computer Systems except submitting his thesis. Mr. Dupont took early retirement from the Canadian Armed Forces in 1987 to pursue a career in the information technology industry.



After successfully starting the Computer Systems Division of the ADGA Group, he became an officer of the company as Vice-President Engineering. He continued to serve ADGA as VP Strategic Planning and Business Development, VP R&D, and VP Defence Systems successively until 1993 when he joined the DMR Group. At DMR he was successively Director of Marketing for the Defence Business Unit and Executive Director of the Federal Government Business Unit. In 1997, he joined the LGS Group as Vice-President Delivery Management and Operations. In 2001, American Management Systems (AMS) Inc. of Fairfax VA recruited him to head their Canadian subsidiary. As President of AMS Canada, Mr. Dupont took a money-losing subsidiary and turned it around right from his first year at the helm. He left AMS in 2003 when a reorganization of the firm split AMS Canada into three separate entities reporting to vertical business units managed from Fairfax Virginia. AMS was sold to le Groupe CGI of Montreal in 2004.

Gilles Dupont is currently the Chairman and CEO of AFCEA Canada, a volunteer position he has held since 2000 and which has become his main occupation since May 2003. Mr. Dupont is also serving on the Executive Committee of the Board of Director of AFCEA International. AFCEA, a non-profit international association, is dedicated to supporting global security by providing an ethical environment that encourages a close cooperative relationship among civil government agencies, the military and industry. It has 31,000 members (20,000 individual members; 11,000 corporate associates) and 1,300 corporate members.

Gilles Dupont will join Technopôle in June 2006 as Business Development Director in Ottawa.

Congratulations to Guy Vézina

Since February 2006, Guy Vézina is Director General of Defence R&D Canada - Valcartier (DRDC Valcartier) which work carries out defence and security achievements for the Canadian Forces in three main sectors: Optronics Systems, Information Systems, and Combat Systems. He also acts as Scientific Advisor for the Army.

Previously, working within the DRDC Corporate office, he has been Director Science & Technology C4ISR where he managed the Joint C4ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) R&D program and coordinated C4ISR across Defence R&D Canada. From 1998 to 2003, he was Section Head of the Information and Knowledge Management Section and the System of Systems Section at DRDC Valcartier.

Over the years he has been active with national and international organizations including the NATO Research & Technology Organization, The Technical Cooperation Program, CRIM and Université Laval. In the scope of his various functions, he represented the Department of National Defence with respect to R&D cooperation with the Communications Security Establishment, the Canadian Space Agency, and the US and Allied Space Programs.

He holds a PhD from the Australian National University. An M.S.E.E. from University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Electrical and Computer Engineering and a B.Sc. Electrical Engineering from University Laval, Quebec. He has also worked five years at CSIRO, the Australian national S&T organization.



Established in the Quebec City area over sixty years ago, the Defence R&D Canada - Valcartier (DRDC Valcartier) is one of the six centers operated by Defence R&D Canada, an agency of the Department of National Defence, as well as being one of the most important public centers of R&D in the province of Quebec. The Centre employs a workforce of 400. Its overall budget for 2005 amounts to \$76 M.

CONFERENCES AND TRADESHOWS

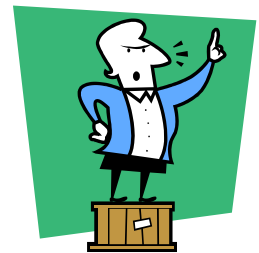
Here is a series of particularly interesting events in defence and security. We intend to participate in some of them.

SPIE DEFENCE AND SECURITY SYMPOSIUM held on April 17 - 21, 2006

<http://spie.org/conferences/programs/06/dss/>

PRECISION STRIKE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL PROGRAMS' REVIEW - SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITOR OPPORTUNITIES held on April 18-19, 2006 at the Crystal City Marriott, in Arlington, VA

http://precisionstrike.org/ap_review.htm



Bi-National Planning Group Final Report: A Continental Approach to Defence and Security Cooperation held on April 20th, 2006 at the Sheraton in Ottawa

<https://www.defenceandsecurity.ca/public/index.asp?action=events>

2006 C4ISR CONFERENCE held on April 24 - 27, 2006 at the Four Points Sheraton in San Diego, CA.

<http://www.afcea-sd.org/c4isr.html>

THE SECOND PUBLIC - PRIVATE SECTOR SUMMIT ON NATIONAL SECURITY held on May 9 - 10, 2006 in Ottawa.

http://www.conferenceboard.ca/conf/may06/security_summit/overview.asp

4th ANNUAL HOMELAND SECURITY CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES CONFERENCE held on May 10 - 12, 2006 in Washington D.C.

<http://www.ioma.com/conferences/618.html>

JANE'S DEFENSE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE held on May 18, 2006 at the St Regis Hotel in Washington D.C.

<http://www.janes.com/defence/conference/dic2006/overview.shtml>>

4TH EDITION OF THE INDUSTRY SPACE DAYS (ISD 2006) held on May 29 - 31, Pays-Bas

<http://www.isd2006.com/>

QUEBEC PHOTONIC NORTH held on June 5 - 8, 2006 in Quebec City.

http://web.hospitalite.com/clients/pn2006/PNFR_2006_home.html

EUROSATORY held on June 12 - 16, 2006

<http://www.eurosatory.com/EN/Default.asp>

CONFERENCES AND TRADESHOWS (Cont'd.)

Soldier Technology 2006 The Sixth Premier Soldier Modernisation Forum held on June 20 - 22, 2006 at the Ibis Hotel in London

<http://www.wbr.co.uk/soldiertechologyeurope/index.html>

The Security Summit 2006 held on June 22 - 23 2006, in San Diego, USA.

<http://www.thesecuritynetwork.org/>

CACP CONFERENCE AND TRADESHOW held on August 20 - 23, 2006 in Saint-John, Newfoundland

http://www.cacp.ca/english/conferences/Newfoundland_06/Update%20Feb_3_06/CACP%20Exhibitor%20Package_rev.pdf

We are presently organizing an active presence in 2 major tradeshow, AUSA and Technet North 2006. For the interested members, you will be invited to join us under various forms. More details will be sent to you shortly.

TECHNET NORTH 2006 held on September 19 - 21, 2006 in Ottawa.

www.technetnorth.com

2006 AUSA ANNUAL MEETING & EXPOSITION held on October 7 - 11, 2006 in Washington D.C.

<http://www.ausa.org/www/AM2006.nsf/Home?OpenForm>

Following a meeting with Mr. Sean Barr, Trade Commissioner for the Canadian Consulate in San Diego USA, Technopôle intends to organize a commercial mission for its members in San Diego. We invite you to read the following sector-based study for more information on the possibilities that offers the region. As soon as we have more details on that project, we will contact you to propose a mission plan.

<http://www.infoexport.gc.ca/vtc/DisplayDocument.jsp?showDocsForAllCountries=false&showDocsForAllPreselectedCountries=false&showDocsForAllWorldCountries=false&did=63974>



PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE EVENTS OR IF YOU KNOW OF ANY SPECIAL EVENTS TO ADD IN OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER !

TECHNOPÔLE'S CURRENT MEMBERS

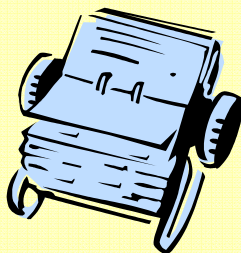
- ABB Analytical Solutions
- Black Coral Inc.
- Cargolution
- Comlab Inc.
- Creaform 3D
- D-Fense Ltd.
- DMR Conseil (Fujitsu) Inc.
- DRDC
- General Dynamics Canada
- Gentec Inc.
- Group CGI
- Idelix Software Inc.
- Laval University
- Leadmark Consulting Group
- Lyrtech inc.
- MacDonald, Dettwiler & Assoc. (MDA)
- National Optic Institute (INO)
- Obzerv Technologies Inc.
- OptoSecurity
- Pôle Québec Chaudière-Appalaches
- Quebec Photonic Network
- Seaquest Technologies
- SNC Technologies
- Telops
- Thales Systems Canada
- Xeos Imaging Inc.

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