

YAAC QUARTERLY

Official Newsletter of the Young AFCEAN Network



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTS

By Alisha Kelly and Clinton Austin
Young AFCEA Co-Presidents

The past two months have been an unprecedented time for our community. While COVID-19 has created uncertainty across the industry, there has been an accelerated adoption of technology and innovative teleworking strategies. The demand for skills in mobile and cloud-based technology has never been higher along with the support roles to deliver this technology. Our IT security professionals are working double time to secure our networks. We are demonstrating that the previous status quo of needing to work on-site is broken as many of us have been successfully working from home full- or part-time. Those still required to be on-site have figured out how to do so safely.

Above all, we know that we are not alone in this difficult time. Lean into (and on) your AFCEA networks at the chapter or international levels to get the necessary insights and skills you need to succeed. If you need help, please reach out to anyone on the Young AFCEAN Executive Committee or network through our three social media channels:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/YoungAFCEANs>
LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/4667650>
Twitter: https://twitter.com/young_afcea

We will continue to lead by our actions and can be reached at any time.
Stay safe!

~ AK and Austin

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE YOUNG AFCEANS:

- Message From the Presidents
- Regional Spotlight: Europe
- Get to know the YAAC EXCOM!

JOIN OUR TEAM



Please contact
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more about the positions or
for more information.

YOUNG AFCEA SPOTLIGHT

Senior Master Sgt. John Walker, USAF, is stationed at Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. In his current capacity, he serves as the Plans and Resources Flight Chief for the U.S. Air Force 52nd Communications Squadron. He oversees all cyber-related projects for the fighter wing and its five geographical separated units spanning across Europe.

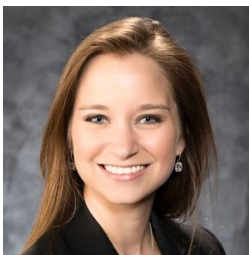
As one of the Young AFCEA Advisory Council (YAAC) Vice Presidents of International, his role is to advise the YAAC Executive Committee, the Regional Vice Presidents (RVP) that reside overseas, the International Regional Young AFCEA Chairs (RYACs), and the General Manager of AFCEA Europe, Erich Staudacher.



The position of YAAC Vice President of International is co-chaired, ideally by one military and one civilian representative from any AFCEA International region, when possible. The co-chair can serve consecutive terms in office until the end of the year when he/she turns 40 and must be a member of AFCEA during his/ her entire period of service. Each YAAC Co-VP International shall be an active member of the YAAC, acting as the voice of International RYACs to represent International ideas and positions to AFCEA International and the YAAC. This position will provide support to the Council and its Co-Presidents in all activities to include, but not limited to:

- Provide a central point of contact to the AFCEA headquarters staff for International YAFCEAN activities;
- Serve as central point of contact for International RVPs, RYACs, and chapters to get information and assistance in all YAFCEAN matters;
- Mentor and assist International chapters and regions in growing and sustaining International YAFCEAN activities; and
- Represent the International YAFCEANs at the annual YAAC Board of Directors meeting, when possible.

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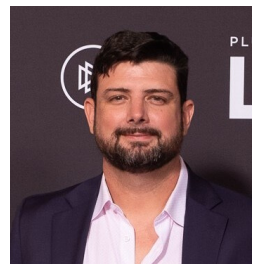


ALISHA KELLY
NCR Co-President

Alisha Kelly currently serves as a Director for Trace Systems Inc., overseeing all business development, capture, proposals, marketing, and public relations. Trace supports the DoD and its mission partners around the globe with virtualization, IT, and communications technical expertise from enterprise to edge.

CLINTON AUSTIN
Non-NCR Co-President

Clinton Austin's current role is a Senior Business Development Principal at Jacobs' Critical Missions Division. He is responsible for the capture and proposal management for large DoD, IC, and NASA opportunities that exceed the \$100M threshold.



DANNY SAVA
Vice President of Internal Operations

Danny Sava currently is the Director of Planning, Engineering and Innovation working for Jacobs and supporting the U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM). He is responsible for leading three different teams of 70 total employees supporting all technology integration and modernization for over 76,000 users worldwide.

RACHEL McCLAIN MAKI
Vice President of External Operations

Rachel Maki currently serves as the Market Insight and Events Lead for JJR Solutions, Inc., an SDVOSB improving the health, well-being and security of its communities and nation by supporting government and private clients. With this role, she oversees strategic market development and growth initiatives, community outreach, capture, and proposal management activities.

