

Capital Factory House - Schedule

JUST ADDED: AFWERX will be livestreaming many of the keynote speakers and panels from Capital Factory House on Friday, March 7 and Saturday, March 8! The livestream links only cover sessions that are located on the Voltron Stage - Floor 1.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

Livestream Link: <https://youtube.com/live/yIMRxOgGEE4?feature=share>

9 – 9:45 a.m.

Fireside Chat: Disruptive Defense - AI Keynote
“AI at the Intersection of Defense & Intelligence”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Gen. Timothy Haugh (USAF), Commander of the U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM, Director of National Security Agency (NSA) and Chief of the Central Security Service (CSS)
- Moderator: Emelia Probasco, Georgetown University's Center for Security and Emerging Technology (CSET)

Watch Party
Wolverine - Floor 8

10 – 10:45 a.m.

Fireside Chat: Disruptive Defense - DAF Keynote
“Air Force Demand Signal: Making Sense of the Churn for Industry”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Brig. Gen. Jason Hawk, AF Futures
- Moderator: Amy De Salvatore, Partner - Business Development at NightDragon

Watch Party
Wolverine - Floor 8

11 – 11:45 a.m.**Fireside Chat:** Disruptive Defense - Manufacturing Keynote
“Rebuilding the Defense Industrial Base”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Col. Elliott Leigh, Director of AFWERX
- Darrell Phillipson, Director of Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Materials and Manufacturing
- Travis DeMeester, DIU Program Manager
- Moderator: Howard Marotto, Strategic Engagements & Integration at Barnes Global Advisors

Watch Party

Wolverine - Floor 8

12 – 12:45 p.m.**Fireside Chat:** Disruptive Defense - DIU Keynote

Voltron - Floor 1

- Defense Innovation Unit (DIU)

Watch Party

Wolverine - Floor 8

1 – 1:45 p.m.**Panel:** Disruptive Defense - Manufacturing Track
“Partnering for Innovation: How Industry can Engage with AFWERX Manufacturing”

Wolverine - Floor 8

- Ian Clowes, AFWERX Manufacturing Lead
- Cayley Dymond, AFWERX Challenge Team Lead
- Rachel Braun, SpaceWERX Manufacturing Lead
- Mia Blessing, AFWERX Strategic Communications Lead

2 – 2:45 p.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - Manufacturing Track
“Forged: Manufacturing Policy & Strategy”

Wolverine - Floor 8

3 – 3:45 p.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - AI Track
“Computing on the Edge”

Wolverine - Floor 8

- Maj. Victor Lopez, AFWERX Autonomy Prime Program Manager
- Maj. Josh Rountree, United States Air Force (USAF) Test Pilot and PhD Student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics.
- Col. Jason Hansberger, Department of the Air Force (DAF) -Stanford AI Studio and Air Mobility Command (AMC) Special Advisor
- Ganesh Harihaha, Mission Engineering Lead at Scale AI
- Moderator: Lt. Col. Russell G. Shirey, Chief, DAF Artificial Intelligence (AI) Integration

4 – 4:45 p.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - AI Track
“AI at the Crossroads of Global Trade and Security”

Wolverine - Floor 8



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SATURDAY, MARCH 8

Livestream Link: <https://youtube.com/live/KqUkRQZKOA?feature=share>

9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

INVITE ONLY Capital Factory VC Brunch

Voltron - Floor 1

10 – 10:45 a.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - Bonus Tech Track
“The Cyber Priority: Securing the Digital Battlespace”

Wolverine - Floor 8

- Lt. Col. Theresa Kopecky, Director of Cyberspace Operations for the United States Space Force (USSF)
- Rachel Bondi, Naval Technical Director for the Department of Defense (DoD) and Head of the Cybersecurity Program Office - CyberX
- Col Richard (Bert) Giovannetti, Director of the Air Force CyberWorx
- Moderator: Zach Walker, DIU - Texas Lead and Founder of ATXdefense

11 – 11:45 a.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - DIU Track
“DIU 101”

Wolverine - Floor 8

1 – 1:45 p.m.

INVITE ONLY Capital Factory VC Roundtable with DIU and AFWERX

Wolverine - Floor 8

2 – 2:45 p.m.

Fireside Chat: Disruptive Defense - Energy Track
“DoD Energy Needs”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Newt McKissick, Senior Military Advisor - DIU Energy Portfolio
- Moderator: Tom Holm, Executive Director of the Energy Defense Council

Watch Party

Wolverine - Floor 8

3 – 3:50 p.m.

Panel: AFWERX Track
“Alternate Funding Panel with the DIU and AFWERX Teams”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Helena Krusec, AFWERX Capital Initiatives Project Manager
- Mike Dodd, Principal - DIU National Security Innovation Capital (NSIC)
- Nick Breedlove, Small Business Investment Company Critical Technology (SBICCT) Initiative and NavalX Reserve Director - Venture Partnerships
- Moderator: Ben McNally, Federal Venture Associate & Programming Lead at the Capital Factory

3 – 3:45 p.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - AI Track
“Counter Unmanned - I got it, I got it... I don't got it.”

Wolverine - Floor 8

4 – 4:45 p.m.

AFWERX Track Panel: “AFWERX & SpaceWERX STRATFI Successes and Selections!”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Arthur Grijalva, Director of SpaceWERX
- Chase Eiserman, AFWERX Ventures Growth Stage Investments Deputy
- Will Wilder, Founder & CEO of Wilder Systems
- Daniel Faber, CEO of Orbit Fab
- Eamon Carrig, Director of Off-Planet Systems at ICON

4 – 4:45 p.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - DIU Track
“Ecosystem Mapping for Technology Transition & Ask Me Anything (AMA) with DIU”

Wolverine - Floor 8

5 – 5:30 p.m.

Panel: Disruptive Defense - DIU Track
“Introduction to DICE (Defense Innovation Community Entities) Digital Ecosystem”

Wolverine - Floor 8

5 – 5:45 p.m.

AFWERX Track Panel: “Shaping the Future of Space through SBIR/STTR Transitions”

Voltron - Floor 1

- Melissa Garmoe, SpaceWERX Growth Stage Lead
- Brian Bone, Principal Director of the Commercial Space Futures Office - The Aerospace Corporation
- John Canipe, Military Program Manager - Texas Space Commission

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Joint Office Hours: Hosted by AFWERX and NavalX

Wolverine - Floor 8

Participating Entities:

AFWERX Ventures (Phase I and Phase II)	DoD Office of Small Business Programs (OSBP)
AFWERX & SpaceWERX Ventures: STRATFI/TACFI	DIU OnRamp Hubs
AFWERX Challenge	DIU Portfolios
AFWERX Prime	NavalX
NATO Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic (DIANA)	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)
Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Research and Engineering (OUSD(R&E))	

1 – 2:00 p.m.

Panel: Newcomers: Programs & Partners Panel

Wolverine - Floor 8

- Cassie Muffley, Director - Defense Innovation OnRamp Hub Program at DIU
- Weston Waldo, Director at The University of Texas at Austin's Austin Technology Incubator (ATI), SW I-Corps
- Jennifer Thabet, Program Director for DARPA Small Business Programs Office (SBPO)
- Chase Eiserman, AFWERX Ventures Growth Stage Investment Branch Chief
- Capt. Whitney Hessler, SpaceWERX Spark Branch Chief
- Cayley Dymond, AFWERX Challenge Team Lead