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## Upcoming Conferences

- April 9-11, 2024 - FACE Members Meeting at GTRI – Atlanta, GA (including the BITS Event on April 10, 2024)

## Other Conferences and Exhibits

March 26-28, 2024 [AUSA Global Force Symposium](#) – Huntsville, AL

April 8-10, 2024 [Sea Air Space](#) – Washington, DC

April 17-18, 2024 [Aerospace Tech Week Europe](#) – Munich, Germany

April 17-18, 2024 [MOSA for Defense Summit](#) (by DSI)  
– National Harbor, MD

Apr 24-26, 2024 [Quad A](#) – Denver, CO

- May 6-10, 2024      [International Special Ops Forces](#) – Tampa, FL
- May 7-9, 2024      [Virtual Flight Society Annual Forum](#) – Montréal, Canada
- May 29-30, 2024    [CanSec](#) – Ottawa, Canada
- June 17-18, 2024   [MOSA Summit & Expo](#) – National Harbor, MD

## **All Members are Invited to the Balsa Integration Test Event**

A highlight of the upcoming FACE® Consortium Members meeting in April is the BITS integration and test session. The first BITS event was held in 2016 with a few companies collaborating in order to explore and present on how the FACE Technical standard eases UoC integration from different vendors. The demonstration was such a success that it became an annual event. Since then, the demonstrations have evolved and increased in complexity and scope. BITS is a technical event to showcase integration of FACE UoCs, Systems based on the FACE Approach, tools to facilitate the creation and integration of UoCs, and interoperability with other standards (e.g. OMS, Victory, and the SOSA™ Technical Standard). Each FACE Consortium member company is invited to participate in the BITS event, and all Members are invited to attend. For more information, email Andre Odermatt [here](#).

## **International Outreach**

The FACE Consortium continues to expand its international presence. We now have six Member organizations outside the US. From the UK we have the Ministry of Defence and Thales UK. From Canada we have CMC Electronics, C3RIOS System, Mannarino Systems & Software, and Wolf Advanced Technology Canada. Members of the Outreach team also attend key conferences and trade shows to promote the FACE Approach and recruit new members. Those include Aerospace Tech Week Europe

(April 17-18 in Munich), Vertical Flight Society Annual Forum (May 7-9 in Montreal), and CANSEC (May 29-30 in Ottawa).

## **MOSA Summit & Expo Moves to June for 2024**

This year's MOSA Industry and Government Summit & Expo, produced by TechConnect, is scheduled for June 17-18 at the Gaylord Hotel and Conference Center in National Harbor, Maryland. It features Defense Leadership Keynotes, Expert Panel Discussions, and live Exhibitor Demonstrations from a broad array of MOSA experts across the ecosystem. There will be a few changes from last year's highly successful event held in Atlanta last September. First, the close proximity to Washington, DC is expected to draw even more participation from Tri-Service and DOD leadership. Many FACE and SOSA™ Consortia Member companies are expected to participate in this year's MOSA Summit, for 2024.

## **Call For Papers**

Members of the FACE Consortium are encouraged to submit papers to industry conferences regarding the design and integration of architectures and systems relating to the FACE Technical Standard and Business Approach. Conferences with near-term submission dates:

[Digital Avionics Systems Conference \(DASC\)](#) has abstracts due Feb 23, 2024

[Ground Vehicle Systems Engineering & Technology Symposium \(GVSETS\)](#) has papers due March 11, 2024

## **Recent Articles**

[Embracing MOSA Standards in the U.S. Military and Industry: A Work in Progress](#) - *Modern Battlespace*, December 13, 2023

[NAVAIR leveraging MOSA in avionics systems](#) - *Military Embedded*

*Systems, November 23, 2023*

See more articles from prior quarters on the FACE Consortium media coverage page [here](#).

## **Press Releases**

[GE Aerospace's Flight Management Software meets FACE® 3.0 Technical Standard](#) - *November 8, 2023*

## **Newly Published Documents**

- **G243:** [FACE® Business Guide, Version 3.1](#)
- **X1704C:** [FACE® Conformance Verification Matrix, Edition 2.1.1 \(Revision C\)](#)
- **X1705B:** [FACE® Conformance Verification Matrix, Edition 3.0 \(Revision B\)](#)
- **X205B:** [FACE® Conformance Verification Matrix, Edition 3.1 \(Revision B\)](#)
- **X234A:** [FACE® Conformance Verification Matrix, Edition 3.2 \(Revision A\)](#)
- **G241:** [The Open Group FACE® Contract Guide: Guidance in Writing Solicitations and Proposals with FACE Requirements, Version 3.1](#)
- **G240:** [Reference Implementation Guide, Version 2, for FACE® Technical Standard, Edition 3.1, Vol 1-3](#)

## **Blogs**

[FACE and TPM: The Importance of the Transport Protocol Module](#) - *RTI, August 17, 2023*

## **New Members**

The QT Company  
ZDEN Technologies LLC

The FACE Consortium is open to membership from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United Kingdom, and United States.



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