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USGIF to Host 2019 GEOINT Community Week Events

Foundation to hold a variety of opportunities for learning, discussion, and networking

Herndon, Virginia (November 4, 2019)—The United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF) is excited to announce a variety of events taking place November 18 through 23 as part of its [2019 GEOINT Community Week](#). USGIF's annual GEOINT Community Week brings together the defense, intelligence, homeland security, and commercial geospatial intelligence (GEOINT) communities for a week of workshops, educational outreach, forward-looking discussion, networking opportunities, and celebration.

“GEOINT Community Week is the perfect opportunity to catch up with community leaders of all levels and to gain practical insights on developments in this rapidly developing discipline, and much more,” said USGIF's Vice President of Programs Ronda Schrenk.

The 2019 GEOINT Community Week lineup includes the following events:

Present “Intro to GEOINT” at Your Local School | November 18-22

USGIF is [seeking volunteers](#) to share its Intro to GEOINT presentation at local schools during GEOINT Community Week. This is a great way to give back by helping EdGEOcate future leaders. We have prepared presentation materials geared toward upper elementary through lower high school grades. The presentation takes 45 minutes to one hour and is highly interactive. If interested, contact Christine MacKrell at christine.mackrell@usgif.org to learn more.

Machine Learning & Artificial Intelligence Workshop | November 19-20

In this [two-day workshop](#) taking place at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) in Springfield, Va., USGIF and its Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence Working Group will discuss current challenges and strategic initiatives related to the role of AI, machine learning, cognitive computing, and deep learning. This year's programming features a variety of leading experts from DIA, NGA, NRO, ODNI, OUSD, and industry. Both days are filled with ML AI luminaries from throughout the community including keynotes, panel discussions, exhibits, and flash talks. The first day will be unclassified and the second day will be classified at the TS/SCI/FVEY level. Registration closes Nov. 12.

GEOINteraction Tuesday | November 19

This special edition of USGIF's trademark networking event will take place at Embassy Suites in Springfield, Va. The [guest speaker](#) will be Dr. Andrew Brooks, NGA's Chief Data Scientist. Brooks will discuss how he is preparing the agency to create maximum value out of existing, new, and future data.

Professional Certification Testing | November 21

USGIF is offering individuals [opportunity](#) to take exams under its professional certification program. The CGP-G exam will be free for individuals to pilot. The Essentials, CGP-R, and CGP-D exams will be offered at a 25% discount.

YPG Third Thursday | November 21

Join USGIF's Young Professionals Group (YPG) in one of four locations for its monthly informal [networking event](#).

Geography 2050 | November 21-22

Organized by the American Geographical Society and taking place at Columbia University in New York City, [Geography 2050](#) is a multi-year, high-level strategic dialogue among thought leaders from academia, government, and business. This year's theme is "Borders in a Borderless World." USGIF is a partner for this event.

GEOGala | November 23

USGIF's 14th annual black-tie [GEOGala](#) in Reston, Va., will celebrate the dedication and support of the GEOINT Community and tradecraft. The event brings together leaders from the defense, intelligence, and homeland security communities as well as USGIF members and guests for an evening of dinner and dancing. Opportunities to reserve tables or individual seats are [available](#).

To learn more about 2019 GEOINT Community Week events or to register, visit usgif.org/events/GEOINTCommWeek.

About USGIF

USGIF is a nonprofit educational foundation dedicated to promoting the geospatial intelligence tradecraft and developing a stronger GEOINT Community among government, industry, academia, professional organizations, and individuals who develop and apply GEOINT to address global security challenges. USGIF achieves its mission via its strategic pillars: Build the Community | Advance the Tradecraft | Accelerate Innovation.

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