

Ground System Architectures Workshop

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Fredda Lerner

As a systems of systems (SoS) engineer, Ms. Lerner is focused on systems development, engineering, integration, and lifecycle management in the context of and used for digital engineering (DE). Ms. Lerner has long been a DE practitioner and evangelist: 7 years ago, she was an integral part of the team that simulated one of the first successful DE ecosystems that interconnected disparate authoritative source of truth (ASOT) data sources through models at a US government agency. Ms. Lerner supports, develops, leads, and enables US Department of Defense, Intelligence Agencies, and other federal agencies to include NASA and NOAA, to cost effectively and efficiently develop, plan, implement, and transition their systems into the DE paradigm. Ms. Lerner received a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech. In the 40+ years since then, Ms. Lerner has held mechanical, manufacturing, systems engineering, and program management positions of increasing authority and scope for leading private sector corporations, most of which were in support of US government programs. Recently, Ms. Lerner was a chapter co-author of Emerging Trends in Systems Engineering Leadership, published in 2022.