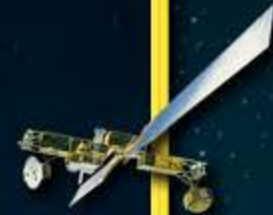




GSAW Ground System Transition Working Group

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- The Ground System Transition Working Group will bring together diverse panelists and participants to discuss standardization and lessons learned for transitioning space programs from development to operations. The working group will involve a panel and discussion format, and it will be led by Lt Col Lane Gilchrist, Director, 50th Space Wing Operational Wing Transition Team (OWTT) and with the participation of Mr. Jeff Vance who led the Global Positioning System Ground System Site Activation Task Force last year to transition GPS ground command and control from the “Legacy” command and control system to the Architecture Evolution Program (AEP) command and control system. Other organizations who either are planning a system transition or who have executed transitions of their systems have been asked to participate on the panel.
- The working group will consist of brief presentations and a guided discussion with questions and answers with the panel. The goal is to identify common issues and processes to share with the community. The discussion will begin with a presentation of the Air Force Space Command Transition Team concept as presented in AFSPCI 10-604. Then, the discussion will proceed with a presentation of how GPS planned and executed its transition. Two other panelists, Mr. Andy Rowland and Ms. Amy Epps, will discuss Wideband Global SATCOM transition and NASA’s STS to Ares transition. A discussion with the attendees will then ensue which will attempt to distill a set of activities that are essential for a successful transition.
- An additional goal of this working group is to establish a forum for continued discussion on standardizing transition efforts and lessons learned from around the community.