



**ALERT**  
AWARENESS AND LOCALIZATION  
OF EXPLOSIVES-RELATED THREATS



**Bernard M. Gordon Center for Subsurface Sensing and Imaging Systems (Gordon-CenSSIS)**  
**Awareness and Localization of Explosives-Related Threats (ALERT)**

**Annual Student Pipeline to Industry Roundtable Event - ASPIRE**

April 26, 2018, 12:00 – 5:00 PM  
McLeod Suites, Curry Student Center  
Northeastern University, Boston, MA

**AGENDA**

*Thursday, April 26, 2018*

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**12:00 – 12:30**

**Lunch Reception and Check-In**

**12:30 – 12:45**

**Welcoming Remarks**

- Emel Bulat, Corporate and Government Partnerships Liaison  
ALERT and Gordon-CenSSIS
- Michael Silevitch, ALERT and Gordon-CenSSIS Director  
Robert D. Black Professor  
Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering
- Laura Parker, Program Manager  
Science and Technology Directorate  
Department of Homeland Security

**12:45 – 1:30**

**Industry and Government Introduction**

- Department of Homeland Security (5 mins)
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (USCBP) (5 mins)
- Innovation Business Partners (5 mins)
- Rapiscan Systems /American Science & Engineering, Inc (10 mins)
- Pendar Technologies (5 mins)
- Raytheon Company (5 mins)
- Smiths Detection, LLC (5 mins)

**1:30 – 1:50**

**Break**

**1:50 – 2:50**

**Roundtable Sessions**

- Each table will be hosted by representatives from industry and government.
- Students are assigned a group number corresponding to one of the tables.
- Each student group will meet for ~15 minutes before rotating to another table.
- With each meeting, students will get the chance to practice their 'elevator pitch,' use the feedback from the previous session, and get specific feedback from different industry or government perspectives.



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**2:50 – 3:00**

**Break**

**3:00 – 5:00**

**One-on-One Meetings and Networking Session**

- Students, industry and government attendees will get the opportunity to meet one-on-one with each other in rotating sessions (i.e. speed-dating).
- Attendees will each receive their schedule for this session upon check-in.
- Students should use this session as an opportunity to build their interview skills and ask questions about the industries and agencies (i.e. what they are looking for in a potential candidate?).
- Industry and government will then get the opportunity to meet with each other based on their registration selections.

**5:00**

**Closing Remarks and Adjourn**

- Emel Bulat, Corporate and Government Partnerships Liaison  
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