



Leidos Announces Launch of 2017 Cyber Challenge Season

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Company will use its CyberNEXS platform to Encourage and Train Students in Cyber Competitions

RESTON, Va., March 20, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- With a growing worldwide demand for a technical workforce, [Leidos](#) (NYSE: LDOS), a global science and technology company, is looking to inspire the next generation of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) professionals through cybersecurity training. The company is excited to announce the beginning of its 2017 Cyber Challenge season and its sponsorship of events using Leidos' [CyberNEXS](#) platform.



The company plans to sponsor a number of challenges and demonstrations across the world with industry and school partners. [Inter-ACE](#), the first cyber challenge event, occurred on March 18 at the University College Cambridge, in the United Kingdom, and is the preliminary competition for a larger cross-nation cyber battle known as [Cambridge 2 Cambridge](#), beginning in July. Leidos will also participate in the [SoCal Cyber Cup Challenge](#) in San Diego and a challenge with Augusta University in Georgia, as well as hold demonstrations at tradeshows including, Sea Air Space, Special Operations Forces Industry Conference and Air Force Association's Annual Conference.

CyberNEXS is a scalable cybersecurity trainer that provides hands-on learning experience for both students and industry security professionals. The platform uses scenario-based exercises and a secure virtual environment to assess network and system attack-and-defend, forensics, and penetration strategies.

"Leidos is a strong supporter of STEM activities, and sees its importance in attracting and inspiring cybersecurity talent," said Doreen Harwood, Leidos senior vice president, Cyber & SIGINT Solutions. "By introducing students and professionals to CyberNEXS, we hope to increase their interest in this evolving field, and grow the future workforce to support critical global missions."

About Leidos

Leidos is a global science and technology solutions and services leader working to solve the world's toughest challenges in the defense, intelligence, homeland security, civil, and health markets. The company's 32,000 employees support vital missions for government and commercial customers. Headquartered in Reston, Virginia, Leidos reported annual revenues of approximately \$7.04 billion for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2016. For more information, visit www.Leidos.com.

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