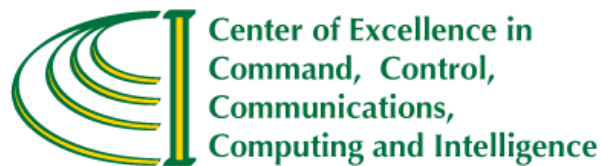




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## Preface

The 6th International Conference on Semantic Technologies for Intelligence, Defense, and Security (STIDS 2011) provides a forum for academia, government and industry to share the latest research on semantic technology for defense, intelligence and security applications.

Semantic technology is a fundamental enabler to achieve greater flexibility, precision, timeliness and automation of analysis and response to rapidly evolving threats. This year we have the following topics:

- Creating an interoperable suite of public-domain ontologies relevant to intelligence analysis covering diverse areas:
- Ontologies and reasoning under conditions of uncertainty
- Semantic technology and ontological issues related to:
  - Source credibility and evidential pedigree
  - Use of sensing devices including security, e.g. global infrastructure grid (GIG), images and intelligence collection in general
- Usability issues relating to semantic technology
- Best practices in ontological engineering

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