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INNOVATION

The theme for September is Innovation, one of our six [AFIMSC Values](#). Meeting the needs of our customers is Job Number 1! We embrace accessibility, partnerships and collaboration.

FROM THE TOP

Maj. Gen. Tom Wilcox will hold his next Commander's Call on Sept. 18 at 2 p.m. CDT. The Call will be streamed on CVR Teams Live at this [LINK](#). CC Calls are mandatory formations for military members and are highly encouraged for civilian and contractor teammates if they occur during your normal period of duty. Unless you are on leave or have a meeting or commitment during that time with a higher-ranking authority than the AFIMSC/CC, you are expected to attend the Call. For our teammates at Det 4 and other locations in Europe where it will be after the duty day when the session begins, we're recording the Call and will make the video links available to you as soon as we produce them.

IMSC SWAG GEAR IS HERE!

Many of you have been asking and we are here to deliver! We are happy to finally announce that our IMSC 'Swag' is beginning its inventory. Starting off first, our polos are ready for purchase! Click [here](#) to purchase some 'SWAG' ****Note** This is a growing inventory...more to come!**



AFIMSC NEWS & INFORMATION

INNOVATION

[AFIMSC seeks ideas for 2021 Innovation Rodeo](#)

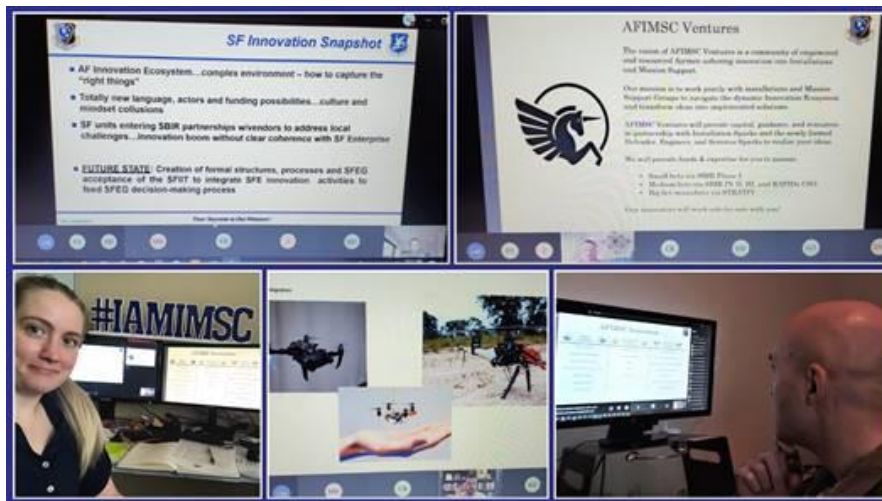
The Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center kicks off its third annual Innovation Rodeo with a call-for-topics campaign starting Sept. 1.

[AFCEC restoring iconic Cadet Chapel at U.S. Air Force Academy](#)

The Air Force Civil Engineer led project aims to fix structural damage to eliminate a longstanding leakage problem after years of ineffective smaller repair efforts.

[Summit charts future of installation, mission support innovation](#)

The Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center delivered an in-depth look into the Air Force innovation ecosystem during its inaugural Worldwide Innovation Summit Sept. 1-2.



INNOVATION

[AFIMSC provides AF with innovative post-COVID workspace options](#)

Members of the Air Force Civil Engineer Center and the AFIMSC Ventures innovation office are working together to develop a viable plan that will optimize telework operations for the workforce in the wake of the COVID-19 global pandemic.

[Installation commanders are key in privatized housing success](#)

The Air Force Civil Engineer Center's Installations Directorate is leading an enterprise-wide effort to improve the privatized housing program that includes more than 50 specific initiatives, including several aimed at better integrating installation commanders in the program.

AF continues dining facility modernization across enterprise

The Air Force Services Center continues modernizing dining facilities and menu options across the enterprise with the newly reopened U.S. Space Force's The Beachcombers at Vandenberg AFB, California.

AFSFC launches software to monitor health of military working dogs

The Air Force Security Forces Center at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland officially launched the Kennel Health Assessment 2.0 project July 8. The purpose of KHA 2.0 is to ascertain the holistic state of all of the kennels across the Air Force to ensure the well-being of all military working dogs.

Wildland Fire Branch battles fire season despite COVID-19

The Air Force Civil Engineer Center's Wildland Fire Branch hasn't let the COVID-19 pandemic stop it from protecting Airmen and their families as well as wildlife during this year's severe fire season.

Getting to know the new AFCEC commander

Meet Brig Gen. John Allen, the first general officer to lead the Air Force Civil Engineer Center.

Getting to know the new AFSFC commander

Meet Col. Aaron Guill, Air Force Security Forces Center's new commander.

Getting to know the new AFIMSC Det 10 Commander

Meet Col. Chad BonDurant, the new AFIMSC Detachment 10 commander.

OTHER HQ/PSU/DETACHMENT NEWS & INFORMATION

Stories from around AFIMSC told first hand by its Airmen. [LiDAR](#) data lays digital foundation for installations of the future; the [Civil Engineering Lab](#) at Tyndall AFB, Florida, delivers needed capabilities for warfighters; and catch up on the latest from [AFSVC](#). To read these and previous IMSC Connections submissions, click [here](#).

If you have stories and photos you'd like to submit, please send them to AFIMSC.PA.Workflow@us.af.mil by the 25th of the month.

AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND NEWS

AFRL develops algorithm, flexible device for hands-free ultrasound

The Air Force Research Laboratory has developed an algorithm to determine the location of transducers in a flexible arrangement, so that an ultrasound image can be determined without for a rigid array of transducers.

[AFMC to host Agile Patriot professional development opportunity](#)

The Air Force Materiel Command will hold the inaugural Agile Patriot professional development virtual conference, Nov. 2-6, to provide mid-tier Airmen and civilians with the tools and training to be successful leaders as they progress into the future.

[Collider event equips small businesses for success](#)

Small business leaders were provided with the tools and techniques to best 'pitch' ideas to the Air Force and Angel investor communities during a Pitch Perfect Collider Aug. 5.

[AFMC releases new PTL Guide](#)

The Air Force Materiel Command has released a Physical Training Leader (PTL) Guide as a new tool for leaders and Airmen to accomplish conditioning goals in a safe manner.

[AFMC announces 2020 MAJCOM Spark Tank semifinalists](#)

The Air Force Materiel Command has selected five semifinalists from more than 90 submissions to the command-wide Spark Tank competition. They were to present their ideas during the AFMC Senior Leader Conference Sept. 7-11.

AIR FORCE NEWS

[CSAF outlines strategic approach for Air Force success](#)

In his first major pronouncement as Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Charles Q. Brown, Jr., declared Aug. 31 that the service must go fast, must collaborate more effectively with Congress and military, industry and allied partners, and "must accelerate the transition from the force we have to the force required for a future high-end fight."

[Department of the Air Force to survey members on interpersonal violence](#)

The Department of the Air Force will soon survey total force Airmen and Space Professionals about their experiences surrounding interpersonal violence.

[AFWERX Austin Hub attracts visit from SECAF, CSAF, CMSAF](#)

Secretary of the Air Force Barbara Barrett, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Charles Q. Brown, Jr., and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force JoAnne S. Bass came together to witness innovation at work with the AFWERX Austin Hub, Aug. 20.

[Air Force seeks dress and appearance ideas through new crowdsourcing campaign](#)

The Department of the Air Force launched a new crowdsourcing campaign to solicit ideas for dress and appearance improvements on the Air Force Ideation Platform, IdeaScale.

AFIMSC NEWS CLIPS

The [Public Affairs News Clips](#) provide our leadership and the AFIMSC team at large situational awareness about the coverage in the media of our direct or related missions and Air Force operations of interest.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Check out two of our most engaging social media posts for August. [Marc Vandever](#) and [Trish Marshall from the Innovation Office](#) briefed Air Force's top leadership, on AFIMSC's role as an innovation leader. Marshall also received a coin from the Secretary of the Air Force, Barbara M. Barrett, for her outstanding performance running AFIMSC's innovation programs! Maj. Gen. Wilcox and Chief Ludwigsen held another virtual [Star Performer recognition event](#), honoring teammates at Det 10 at Barksdale AFB, Louisiana.



IMSC SPOTLIGHT

Meet our recent #IAMIMSC Spotlight teammates, [Master Sgt. Benjamin Ford](#), [Maj. John Fuson](#), [Rebecca Quint](#) and [Master Sgt. Bradley Taylor](#).



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