## MRL Joint Industry and DoD Manufacturing Readiness Level Workshop

## Sept 24-25, 2019

Addressing manufacturing issues early in development and acquisition is critical to achieving cost, schedule, and performance objectives.  Manufacturing Readiness Levels (MRLs) have proven to be an effective tool for industry and government to identify, manage, and mitigate manufacturing risks and to effectively transition to production.

The MRL Working Group, established in 2003, is responsible for development, dissemination, and updating the MRL body of knowledge (BOK) found at [www.dodmrl.com](http://www.dodmrl.com/) or [www.dodmrl.org](http://www.dodmrl.org/).  To aid in developing, implementing and improving MRLs the working group hosts an annual Workshop.  At the workshop, users from industry, government and academia gather to help improve the MRL process and the BOK.  As a key stakeholder in defense manufacturing your input at this year’s workshop will be valuable and greatly appreciated.

This year, we will present proposed updates to the MRL criteria and guidance with a focus on updates from recommendations and issues identified by our users.  The issues we will address are cyber security criteria and the implementation of the MRL process in contracts to incorporate industry standards which entails a rewrite of Section 6 of the Deskbook.  The proposed changes to the MRL BOK and workshop information can be found at [www.dodmrl.com](http://www.dodmrl.com/) or [www.dodmrl.org](http://www.dodmrl.org/) by 17 September 2019 to allow you the opportunity to review the information prior to the workshop.

The SAE G-23 Manufacturing Management Committee will hold its quarterly meeting at the end of the MRL Workshop for those interested in attending.  Possible topics for the G-23 meeting will be status of training classes, feedback from interviews with AS6500 implementers, and potential future changes to the standard.

The MRL workshop will be held 24-25 September 2019 at the Perspecta facility at 4100 North Fairfax Rd in Arlington VA, suite 800; (Ballston - MU Metro stop, orange/silver line). Please RSVP by 19 September if you plan to attend. RSVP responses and questions can be directed to Jim Morgan, jmorgan@utcdayton.com.

Feel free to pass this invitation along to colleagues who may be interested in attending, however, workshop attendance is limited to US citizens.

Thank you for your support of MRL Working Group activities.

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