



Keynote Speaker - General Peter Pace *United States Marine Corps (Retired)*



General Peter Pace retired from active duty on October 1, 2007, after more than 40 years of service in the United States Marine Corps.

General Pace was sworn in as sixteenth Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on Sep. 30, 2005. In this capacity, he served as the principal military advisor to the President, the Secretary of Defense, the National Security Council, and the Homeland Security Council. Prior to becoming Chairman, he served four years as Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. General Pace holds the distinction of being the first Marine to have served in either of these positions.

Born in Brooklyn and raised in Teaneck, NJ, General Pace was commissioned in June 1967, following graduation from the United States Naval Academy. He holds a Master of Science Degree in Administration from George Washington University, attended the Harvard University Senior Executives in National and International Security program, and graduated from the National War College.

During his distinguished career, General Pace has held command at virtually every level, beginning as a Rifle Platoon Leader in Vietnam. He also served as Commanding Officer of 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment; Commanding Officer of the Marine Barracks in Washington, D.C.; Deputy Commander, Marine Forces Somalia; Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force Somalia; Director of Operations for the Joint Staff; Commander, U.S., Marine Forces Atlantic/Europe/South; and Commander in Chief, US Southern Command.

In June, 2008, General Pace was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor a President can bestow.

General Pace is currently serving on the Board of Directors of several corporate entities involved in management consulting, private equity, and IT security. He has served on the President's Intelligence Advisory Board, and the Secretary of Defense's Defense Policy Board. From 2008 to 2010, he served as leader-in-residence and the Poling Chair of Business and Government for the Kelley School of Business, Indiana University. General Pace is a Distinguished Visiting Research Scholar for Fordham University. In addition, he donates his time to teach at numerous professional military education programs, to include the Marine Corps and other services' war colleges, and every class of Marine second lieutenants at The Basic School.

General Pace is associated with a number of charities focused on supporting the troops and their families, to include: He is a long-standing member of the Board of Directors for the Marine Corps Law Enforcement Foundation, a charity that provides scholarship bonds to children of Marines or Federal law enforcement personnel who were killed while serving our country. He is the senior military adviser to the President George W. Bush Institute's Military Service Initiative, which works to empower communities, military service organizations, businesses, and universities to support veterans and their families. He serves on the Advisory Board for Snowball Express, a charity focused on providing positive activities for children of our fallen military members. He and his wife Lynne are longtime supporters of the Fisher House Foundation, which builds home near VA and military medical centers, offering military families a place to stay while a loved one is receiving treatment; and they are both on the advisory board for Our Military Kids, an organization that supports children of deployed Guard and Reserve personnel with tutoring and enrichment activities.

General Pace and his wife, Lynne, have a son, Peter; a daughter, Tiffany; a daughter-in-law, Lynsey Olczak Pace; and three grandchildren, Linden, Hadley, and Holden Pace.

Breakout Session Speaker – Mrs. Victoria Clarke

Head of Global Corporate Affairs, SAP



As head of Global Corporate Affairs (GCA) for SAP, Torie Clarke is responsible for building credibility for SAP's vision and strategy with priority audiences. In this capacity, she oversees executive and regional media relations, employee communications, government relations, analyst relations and corporate social responsibility.

Clarke is a highly respected communications leader in both the public and private sector. Her distinguished career includes working as U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs and as a senior public relations counselor to Comcast Corporation. A published author, she has been a featured guest on programs ranging from ABC's *This Week* to *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart. Clarke graduated from George Washington University.

Breakout Session Speaker – Dr. J.D. Crouch II

CEO and President, United Service Organization (USO)



Dr. J.D. Crouch II was elected by the USO Board of Governors to be the 23rd President and Chief Executive Officer of the United Service Organizations (USO), effective July 28, 2014.

Dr. Crouch was Chief Executive Officer of QinetiQ North America (QNA) until May 2014, when he exited following the successful divestiture of QNA by its parent company. He was President of the Technology Solutions Group of QNA from November 2009 to March 2013. He assumed this role from the position of QNA Executive Vice President for strategic development. He was Assistant to the President and Deputy National Security Advisor from March 2005 until June 2007. In this capacity, he was a senior advisor to President George W. Bush on national security matters and chaired the sub-cabinet Deputies Committee.

Dr. Crouch served as U.S. Ambassador to Romania in 2004-2005, managing this complex relationship at the time of Romanian military deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. Dr. Crouch also served as Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy from 2001-2003. From 1993 to 2001, and late 2003 to 2004, Dr. Crouch was an Associate Professor of Defense and Strategic Studies at Missouri State University in Springfield, Missouri. He co-founded PalmGear.com in 1995, the Internet's leading source of Palm OS software.

From 1990 to 1992, Dr. Crouch was the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy. From 1986 to 1990, he was the military legislative assistant to Sen. Malcolm Wallop and served as the senator's staff designee on the Senate Armed Services Committee. From 1984 to 1986, he worked for the Assistant Director for strategic programs in the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and was an advisor to the U.S. Delegation on Nuclear and Space Arms Talks with the former Soviet Union.

Dr. Crouch has also served on several government advisory boards, currently including the Defense Policy Board. He has twice been awarded the Department of Defense Distinguished Public Service Medal. He received the Alumni Merit Award from the University of Southern California in 2006 and Military Merit Grand Cross with White Ribbon from the Kingdom of Spain in 2003.

He served pro bono for 10 years as a reserve deputy sheriff in southwest Missouri – where he was named Missouri Deputy Sheriff of the Year in 2000 – and was a member of a multi-county special response team. Dr. Crouch also served as an adult leader to a scout venture crew and as a Boy Scouts of America Assistant Scoutmaster. Dr. Crouch holds a Ph.D., M.A. and B.A. in International Relations from the University of Southern California.

Breakout Session Speaker – Ambassador Eric S. Edelman

Roger Hertog Distinguished Practitioner-in-Residence at the Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies, Johns Hopkins University-SAIS



Ambassador Eric S. Edelman retired as a Career Minister from the U.S. Foreign Service on May 1, 2009. He is currently Distinguished Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments and Hertog Distinguished Practitioner in Residence at the Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. From 2009-2013 he was a senior associate of the International Security Program at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at Harvard University. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace. In 2010 he served on the Congress's Independent Panel to review the Quadrennial Defense Review and in 2013-2014 he served on the National Defense Panel.

Ambassador Edelman has served in senior positions at the Departments of State and Defense as well as the White House where he led organizations providing analysis, strategy, policy development, security services, trade advocacy, public outreach, citizen services and congressional relations. As the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy (August, 2005-January 2009) he oversaw strategy development as DoD's senior policy official with global responsibility for bilateral defense relations, war plans, special operations forces, homeland defense, missile defense, nuclear weapons and arms control policies, counter-proliferation, counter-narcotics, counter-terrorism, arms sales, and defense trade controls.

He served as U.S. Ambassador to the Republics of Finland and Turkey in the Clinton and Bush Administrations and was Principal Deputy Assistant to the Vice President for National Security Affairs. In other assignment he has been Chief of Staff to Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott, special assistant to Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs Robert Kimmitt and special assistant to Secretary of State George Shultz. He also had assignments in the State Department Operations Center, Prague, Moscow, and Tel Aviv, where he was a member of the U.S. Middle East Delegation to the West Bank/Gaza Autonomy Talks.

He has been awarded the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service, the Presidential Distinguished Service Awards and several Department of State Superior Honor Awards. He has been awarded the Order of the White Rose by the government of Finland and the Legion d'Honneur by the French government.

He received a B.A. in History and Government from Cornell University and a Ph.D. in U.S. Diplomatic History from Yale University.

Breakout Session Speaker – Mr. Robert Rangel
Senior Vice President, Lockheed Martin Government Affairs



Mr. Robert Rangel is Senior Vice President, Lockheed Martin Government Affairs. In this position, Mr. Rangel directs the Corporation's liaison with Congress, marketing activities with the Pentagon and managing all U.S. government customer relationships as well as state and local governments.

Prior to being named to this position in January 2015, Mr. Rangel served as Vice President, Programs & Global Security Policy for Lockheed Martin Corporation. In this role, Mr. Rangel worked in conjunction with the mission area leaders to develop and coordinate the overall corporate strategy for major programs and policies across Lockheed Martin to keep programs sold and capture new business. He also advised Lockheed Martin's senior management team on international business opportunities and supported the Corporate International Business Development in client interaction. Mr. Rangel also managed Lockheed Martin's strategic relationships with key domestic and international think tanks.

Prior to joining Lockheed Martin, Mr. Rangel served as The Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense from June, 2005 to June 2011. Equivalent to a civilian agency Chief of Staff, Mr. Rangel served in this position for two Secretaries of Defense during two administrations. In this position, Mr. Rangel advised the Secretary of Defense and ensured execution on all matters pertaining to Department of Defense operations, defense policy, strategy, budget, programs, personnel and organizational issues. In 2010, Mr. Rangel chaired the Secretary of Defense Efficiencies Task Force which developed and implemented recommendations to eliminate \$50 billion in defense overhead and duplicative programs.

Prior to joining the Department of Defense, Mr. Rangel served on the staff of the House Armed Services Committee for over 18 years in a variety of positions. Mr. Rangel was appointed Staff Director in March, 2000 and served three different committee Chairmen in this capacity. He was responsible for the formulation, passage and enactment of annual national defense authorization legislation and direction of all committee oversight and legislative operations. Prior to that, Mr. Rangel served as Deputy Staff Director starting in January 1995.

Mr. Rangel graduated from the University of Kentucky with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science.