

# NATO Allied Command Transformation International CD&E Conference



## Fact Sheet – 2021 International CD&E Conference

**Background:** Since 2001, the International Concept Development and Experimentation (ICD&E) Conference has provided a unique opportunity for the international community to discuss the most current issues relating to CD&E.

**Event Overview:** The 2021 ICD&E Conference will once again be a primarily virtual event due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns. Building on last year’s conference success and to maintain the engagement of and cooperation within the CD&E Community, we are now planning an “enhanced virtual event” to expand on last year’s conference concept. In the spirit of CD&E we will explore, exploit, and experiment further with the virtual format and test out hybrid elements to gain insights for future conferences. The ICD&E Conference aims to promote a collaborative approach to concept development and experimentation, and share the knowledge and experience garnered from national expertise. The four-day ICD&E Conference will explore themes for future concepts, experimentation and creative ideation, additionally offering workshop opportunities to improve individual exposure to CD&E tool and topics. Highlights will include unique and engaging speakers from Allied and Partner Nations, academia and industry, interactive questions and answer sessions, panel discussions, networking opportunities, and the ‘CD&E Exchange’, a virtual Expo promoting CD&E organizations, work strands, and related initiatives.

**Date:** 25 – 28 October 2021

**Registration:** Visit [www.act.nato.int/cde-conf](http://www.act.nato.int/cde-conf) to register for this event.

**Attendees:** The audience for the conference includes delegates from NATO countries. Other attendees include those from NATO Partner nations and partner organisations with concept development and experimentation backgrounds and experience.

**Host:** NATO Allied Command Transformation

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