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➤ Mission

The Global SOF Foundation (GSOF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that aims to build and grow an international network of military, government, commercial, and educational stakeholders in order to advance SOF capabilities and partnerships to confront global and networked threats.



Mission

GSOFA Fast Facts:

- 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
- Only Professional Association for Special Operations Forces (SOF)
- Based in Tampa, FL
- 20 Full Time Employees
- Over 270 Corporate Partners
- Over 5,900 Individual Members
- Members from 60+ Nations



WE ARE International.



WE ARE a US DoD National Military Association.



WE ARE focused on SOF policy.



WE ARE a transition resource for Active Duty SOF.



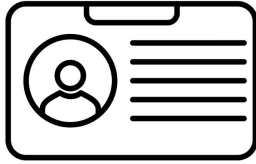
WE ARE a hub for convening the SOF community.



WE ARE a Network.



➤ Membership



Individual Membership includes:

- ➔ Access to the GSOF Network
- ➔ Discounted Entry to some GSOF Events
- ➔ Access to the SOF for Life Career Center and Resources
- ➔ GSOF e-Newsletter subscription
- ➔ FREE for Active Duty Military & Spouses

Corporate Partnership includes:

- ➔ Free and discounted event entries, exhibition space, and sponsorships
- ➔ Custom support on engaging with the international SOF community
- ➔ SOF for Life Career Center job postings



➤ GSOE Events - Overview

GSOE events convene the SOE community to discuss issues, engage on solutions, and connect the “good guy network”

- **Symposiums**
 - Europe (Different city each year; co-sponsored by Host Nation)
 - Modern Warfare (co-sponsored by USASOC)
 - Special Air Warfare (co-sponsored by AFSOC)
 - SOE Week (co-sponsored by USSOCOM)
 - Indo-Pacific Irregular Warfare Symposium (starting in Aug 2024)
- **Annual Policy Forum in Washington, DC**
- **Networking Receptions, Happy Hours, and Socials**
- **Virtual Educational Events**
- **“SOE for Life” transition seminars and events**



➤ GSOE Events - Regional Focus



EUROPE: GSOE has hosted seven GSOE Symposium Europe events since 2016.

- 2016, Vilnius, Lithuania
- 2017, Bucharest, Romania
- 2018, Madrid, Spain
- 2019, Brussels, Belgium
- 2021, Warsaw, Poland
- 2022, Budapest, Hungary
- 2023, Brno, Czech Republic
- **2024, Bratislava, Slovak Republic**
- **2025, Thessaloniki, Greece**
- **2026, Rome, Italy**
- **2027, Stockholm, Sweden**



INDO-PACIFIC: GSOE will host its inaugural Indo-Pacific Irregular Warfare Symposium in AUG 2024.

- **2024, Honolulu, HI**
- **2025, Bangkok, Thailand**
- **2026, Honolulu, HI**
- **2027, Philippines**



➤ GSOF Events - Component / Capability Focus

SPECIAL AIR WARFARE SYMPOSIUM:

Traditionally co-sponsored by AFSOC

- Occurs in late February / early March
- Ft. Walton Beach, FL
- 800+ attendees
- Focus on SOF Aviation programs and capabilities across all components
- International participation encouraged

MODERN WARFARE WEEK: Traditionally co-sponsored by USASOC

- Occurs in mid-November
- Ft. Liberty, NC
- 800+ attendees
- Focus on capabilities and challenges in irregular warfare
- International participation encouraged



➤ GSOE Events - SOF Week

SOF Week: Co-sponsored by USSOCOM

- Occurs in early May
- Tampa, FL
- 2023 rendition hosted over 15,000 attendees from 58 Nations
- “Even” years (2024, 2026, etc.) include an increased focus on international participation (100+ Nations invited)
- Conference, Exhibition, CAPE Demo, Industry Demos, Professional Development, and Networking

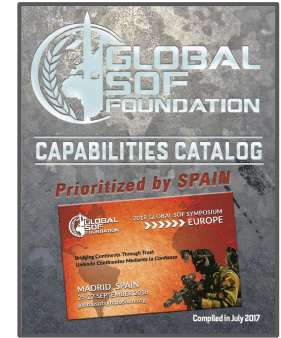


➤ Focus on Government to Industry Engagement

GSOE works to (1) ensure SOF has the capabilities that it needs and (2) encourage greater interoperability among Partner Nation SOF

- **GSOE Capabilities Accelerator Syndicate (G-CAS):** Convenes US SOF, industry, and defense investors to highlight near and long-term capability priorities of US SOF
- **Capabilities Catalogs:** Prioritized by nations to show industry what is needed
- **Functional Committees:** Communities of Interest to connect to discuss challenges, opportunities, interoperability
- **Demo Days:** Allow hands-on experiences with technology
- **1:1 Meetings:** Pre-scheduled meetings between Government &

Industry



➤ Getting Involved

Enhance your nations involvement with the SOF community:

- **Become Individual Members:** Join to stay informed about GSOF events and opportunities
- **Participate in Events:** Send relevant decision-makers to GSOF events, including:
 - SOF Senior Leaders
 - SOF End-Users
 - SOF / Defense Acquisition Professionals (incl. Innovation Units, R&D, etc.)
- **Connect GSOF to your Defense Industry:** Encourage them to participate in our network and our regional events
- **Complete the Capabilities Catalog:** Let us know what capabilities your Nation's SOF needs so we can support more meaningful connections with industry





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