Keynote Presentation:
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Biography:

In October, 2007, Dr. Maconachy assumed the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs/Chief Academic Officer at Capitol College, Laurel, MD. Dr. Maconachy is charged with sustaining and enhancing the academic quality of programs of study ranging from Business Administration through Engineering, Computer Science and Information Assurance. He also oversees the operations of the Library and the Space Operations Institute.

Prior to Joining Capitol College Dr. Maconachy served at The National Security Agency. While there he held several leadership positions. He was appointed by the Director of the NSA as the Deputy Senior Computer Science Authority where he built a development program for a new generation of Cryptologic Computer Scientists. Prior to this position, Dr. Maconachy served as the Director of the National Information Assurance Education and Training Program (http://www.nsa.gov/ia/academia/acade00001.cfm). He was responsible for implementing a multidimensional, interagency program, providing direct support and guidance to the services, major DoD components, federal agencies, and the greater national Information Infrastructure community. This program fosters the development and implementation of Information Assurance training programs as well as graduate and undergraduate education curricula. In this capacity, he served on several national level government working groups as well as in an advisory capacity to several universities. Dr. Maconachy was the principal architect for several national INFOSEC training standards in the national security systems community. During Dr. Maconachy's time at the National Security Agency he held many different positions, including work as an INFOSEC Operations Officer, INFOSEC Analyst and a Senior INFOSEC Education and Training Officer.

Prior to joining the NSA, Dr. Maconachy worked for the Department of Navy. He developed and implemented INFOSEC training programs for users and system maintainers of sophisticated cryptographic equipment. He also served as the Officer In Charge of several INFOSEC-related operations for the Department of Navy, earning him the Dept. of Navy Distinguished Civilian Service medal. Dr. Maconachy holds a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland. He has numerous publications and awards related to Information Assurance, and is the recipient of the prestigious National Cryptologic Meritorious Service Medal.