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NGA to participate in Hill briefing on building a deeper workforce that depends on image science, remotely sensed data

SPRINGFIELD, Va., Dec. 2, 2013 – The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency is participating in a federal briefing on workforce needs for U.S. defense and intelligence communities, hosted by the Rochester Institute of Technology. The Dec. 3 briefing is sponsored by U.S. Rep. Louise Slaughter at the Capitol Visitor Center at noon.

“The briefing calls for a federal initiative to increase the number of young scientists proficient in the capture, processing and analysis of remote imagery to fill technical jobs within the defense intelligence community,” according to an RIT news release Nov. 27, <http://www.rit.edu/news/story.php?id=50430>.

NGA has long been a leader in the federal and intelligence community in imaging science. NGA academic research funding has sponsored master’s and doctorate students over the years as part of its research grants to academic institutions. Many of these students have gone on to join NGA as image scientists or provide direct support to follow-on NGA research.

“NGA academic partnerships are integral in maintaining the highest quality pool of image scientists in the world,” said Doug McGovern, director of InnoVision, NGA’s R&D directorate. “The insights and understanding students gain about the research and operational needs of NGA allow them to continue to develop initiatives that align closely with NGA needs.”

About NGA

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency delivers world-class geospatial intelligence that provides a decisive advantage to policymakers, warfighters, intelligence professionals and first responders. Both an intelligence agency and combat support agency, NGA enables the U.S. intelligence community and the Department of Defense to fulfill the president’s national security priorities. NGA also is the lead federal agency for GEOINT and manages a global consortium of more than 400 commercial and government relationships. NGA is headquartered in Springfield, Va., and has two major locations in St. Louis and Arnold, Mo. Hundreds of NGA employees serve on support teams at U.S. military, diplomatic and allied locations around the world. For more information about NGA, visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NatlGEOINTAgency, on Twitter at https://twitter.com/nga_GEOINT.

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