FORUM2026 SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

	Suite 1ab/1cd*	Suite 2*	Suite 3	Suite 4*	Suite 5	Tower Cafe
Capacity	304	168	168	168	168	40
Sunday, Nov 15	**Registration, Forum Café, App Help Desk**: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM / **Sound Bowls:** 4:30 PM -5:30 PM, Lobby					
Monday, Nov 16	**Buyer Registration:** 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM					
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	**Morning Refreshments / Networking**					
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	MK0 **Welcome:** Kelly Gill and **Opening Keynote:** Vernice 'FlyGirl' Armour - Who Needs A Runway? Take Off From Where You Are - Ballroom 1 - 3					
Breakout Session 1: 10:40 AM - 11:30 AM	*MB11* **Electronic Invoicing 2.0** *Tony Jordan, eVA*	*MB12* **Building a Faster, Smarter, Modern IT Supply Chain** *Kymberly Johnson & Evan Davis, VITA*	*MB13* **Surplus Solutions: Connecting People, Property, and Possibilities** *Floyd Coburn, DGS Surplus & Ethan Hill, GovDeals*	*MB14* **Practical Tools for Professionals Under Pressure** *Jim Morgan, All Well and Good*	*MB15* **Amplify Your Drive** *Beth Cooley, DGS OFMS*	
Breakout Session 2: 11:40 AM - 12:30 PM	*MB21* **Receiving Pitfalls** *Miranda Bowling, eVA*	*MB22* **The Strategic Partnership: Procurement Meets Human Resources** *Lauren Clarke, DGS HR & Sylvester Williams, DGS SCO*	*MB23* **Virtually Said: Leveraging Technology without Losing the Human Touch** *Michele Skaggs, VDSS*	*MB24* **Unlocking Performance Through Better Conversations** *Andrea Simmons, INSPIRED Transformations & Solutions*	*MB25* **Connecting the Dots with SBSD** *DSBSD Team*	
12:40 PM - 1:55 PM	**Lunch / DSBSD Awards** 1:20 PM - 1:40 PM					
Breakout Session 3: 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM	*MB31* **Procurement Analytics** *Jonathan Eisenman, eVA & Joel Padow, DGS ISS*	*MB32* **From Waste to Worth: Circular Strategies for Smarter Procurement** *G'Sean Williams, PSM Workforce*	*MB33* **What's the Deal with the VDC?** *Andy Repak & Sarah Bates, DPS VDC*	*MB34* **VRS Retirement: Are You Ready to Retire?** *Audrey Macklin, VRS*	*MB35* **The Who, What, How and Why of VCE** *Michael Strange, VCE & Philip Graner, VCE*	
2:50 PM – 3:20 PM	**Afternoon Refreshments**					
Breakout Session 4: 3:20 PM - 4:10 PM	*MB41* **Sourcing & Contracts** *Tracy Robinson & Sandy Stanley, eVA*	*MB42* **Supplier Relationships in Jeopardy: Building Partnerships That Deliver Results** *Kayla Anderson & Larry White, VITA*	*MB43* **From Waste to Worth: Circular Strategies for Smarter Procurement** *G'Sean Williams, PSM Workforce*	*MB44* **The Who, What, How and Why of VCE** *Michael Strange & Philip Graner, VCE*	*MB45* **Unlocking Performance Through Better Conversations** *Andrea Simmons, INSPIRED Transformations & Solutions*	
Tuesday, Nov 17	**Buyer Registration:** 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM / **Supplier Registration**: 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM					
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	**Morning Refreshments / Networking**					
Workshop Session 1 OR Supplier-Led Session 1: 9:00 AM - 10:20 AM	*TW11* **eVA Update** *Shane Caudill, eVA*	*TW12* **Elevating your IT Procurements Part 1: Using Market Research to Develop a Complete RFP** *Meghan Manning & Andrew Bartlett, VITA*	*TW13* **What Happens Next: Practical Contract Administration for Public Procurement** *Stephanie Gale, NASPO*	*TW14* **Procurement Unfiltered: Spilling the Tea** *DPS Policy, Consulting & Review Team*	*TW15* **Preventing and Detecting Pre-Award Collusion & Fraud** *Jessica Martonosi, USNRC-OIG Robert Shewell, DCIS/DOW-OIG, & Chad Kenney, DHS-OIG*	**Supplier Speaks:** **TS1:** 9:00 - 9:20 AM **TS2:** 9:30 - 9:50 AM **TS3:** 10:00 - 10:20 AM
10:20 AM - 12:30 PM	**Supplier Connect Exhibition:** Hall A/B / **Sound Bowls and LEGOs:** Lobby					
12:30 PM - 1:45 PM	**Buyer Lunch** in Ballroom 1-3; **Supplier Lunch** in Hall C					
1:30 PM - 3:15 PM	**Matchmaking Session in Hall D**					
Workshop Session 2 OR Supplier-Led Session 2: 1:50 PM - 3:10 PM	*TW21* **Buyer User Group Meeting** *Kim Pritchett, Tony Jordan, & eVA Team*	*TW22* **What Happens Next: Practical Contract Administration for Public Procurement** *Stephanie Gale, NASPO*	*TW23* **Promoting IT Procurement Excellence: Human-Centered Training, Modern Tools, and Modernizing IT Governance** *Liz Candler & Rachael Hoffman, VITA*	*TW24* **Preventing and Detecting Pre-Award Collusion & Fraud** *Jessica Martonosi, USNRC-OIG Robert Shewell, DCIS/DOW-OIG, & Chad Kenney, DHS-OIG*	*TW25* **Procurement Unfiltered: Spilling the Tea** *DPS Policy, Consulting & Review Team*	**Supplier Speaks:** **TS4:** 1:50 - 2:10 PM **TS5:** 2:20 - 2:40 PM **TS6:** 2:50 - 3:10 PM
3:10 PM - 3:40 PM	**Afternoon Refreshments**					
Breakout Session 1: 3:40 PM - 4:30 PM	*TB11* **The Fee-nomenal World of the eVA Business Bureau** *Joanne Bryant & Margaret Gehler, eVA Business*	*TB12* **Virtually Said: Leveraging Technology without Losing the Human Touch** *Michele Skaggs, VDSS*	*TB13* **The Strategic Partnership: Procurement Meets Human Resources** *Lauren Clarke, DGS HR & Sylvester Williams, DGS SCO*	*TB14* **Scattergories -Sourcing Smarter, Not Harder** *Sharyn Quick & Tonya Tucker, DPS SCO*	*TB15* **Practical Tools for Professionals Under Pressure** *Jim Morgan, All Well and Good*	*TB1T* **VCM Networking** *Sherida Haughton, Haughton Solutions*
Wednesday, Nov 18	**Buyer Registration:** 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM					
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	**Morning Refreshments / Networking**					
Breakout Session 1: 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	*WB11* **eVA Feud** *Kim Pritchett & Tony Jordan, eVA*	*WB12* **Surplus Solutions: Connecting People, Property, and Possibilities** *Floyd Coburn, DGS Surplus & Ethan Hill, GovDeals*	*WB13* **Elevating your IT Procurements Part 2: Effective use of Evaluation Tools** *Sarah Hicks & Matthew Fritzinger, VITA*	*WB14* **Amplify Your Drive** *Beth Cooley, DGS OFMS*	*WB15* **VRS Retirement: Are You Ready to Retire?** *Audrey Macklin, VRS*	
Breakout Session 2: 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM	*WB21* **eVA Feud – Round 2** *Kim Pritchett & Tony Jordan, eVA*	*WB22* **What's the Deal with the VDC?** *Andy Repak & Sarah Bates, DPS VDC*	*WB23* **VITA Spotlight IT Contracts** *Kristina Brekke & Gregory Brown, VITA*	*WB24* **Connecting the Dots with SBSD** *DSBSD Team*	*WB25* **Scattergories -Sourcing Smarter, Not Harder** *Sharyn Quick & Tonya Tucker, DPS SCO*	
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	WK0 **Closing Keynote:** Seth Mattison - The Human Advantage: The Strategy for Winning in the Age of Machines - Ballroom 1 - 3 **/ Dismiss**					

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