

AOC Asia Symposium 2026

(Current Working Program)

Note: Speaker participation, session placements and presentation timings remain subject to final confirmation.

Date: 4–6 August 2026
Venue: AOC Hall, Adelaide Convention Centre, South Australia

Tuesday 4 August 2026

08:45–10:30	**ADSTAR OPENING PLENARY (ALL DELEGATES)**
10:30–11:15	**Morning Tea**
OPENING PLENARY **Strategic Perspectives**	
11:15–11:25	**AOC WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** **Dr Nathan Johnson**, President of the Board, AOC ANZ Chapter
11:25–11:35	**MASTER OF CEREMONIES WELCOME** **Mr Florian "Flo" Sindel,** C4ISREW Solution Architect, Nova Systems
11:35–11:55	**AOC HQ / ASIA PACIFIC UPDATE** **Mr Anthony "Tony" Lisuzzo**, President, Association of Old Crows
11:55–12:15	**EW TECHNICAL STREAM PARTNER ADDRESS** **Mr Ohad Katz**, Managing Director, Raytheon Australia
12:15–12:35	**KEYNOTE** **The Global Adaptation War: Implications for the Pacific and the 2026 NDS** **MAJGEN (Retd) Mick Ryan AM**, Senior Fellow for Military Studies, Lowy Institute

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12:45–13:45	**Lunch and Networking**
PLENARY SESSION 2 **International and Regional Perspectives**	
13:45–14:05	**KEYNOTE** **The Security Environment Surrounding Japan and Trends in the Electromagnetic Spectrum Domain** **MAJ Shintaro Ishikawa** and **LTCOL Masuhisa Domen**, Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF)
14:05–14:35	**FEATURED PRESENTATION** **The Coming Shockwave: Global Innovation and the EW Enterprise** **Dr Karen Zita Haigh**, Cognitive EW and Embedded AI Consultant, Haskill Consulting, USA
14:35–15:00	**FEATURED PRESENTATION** **Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations in China: Military-Civil Fusion, AI Integration, and Strategic Implications** **Dr Chen-Yi "Crystal" Tu**, Research Fellow, Institute for National Defense and Security Research (INDSR), Taiwan
15:00–15:15	**VIRTUAL PRESENTATION** **Ukraine's Frontline as the Electronic Warfare Laboratory – Four Years of Transformation into a Drone Supremacy** **Mr Rene Kanayama**, EW / Security Specialist
15:15–15:30	**Afternoon Break**
PLENARY SESSION 3 **Operational Capability**	
15:30–17:00	**COUNTER-UNCREWED AERIAL SYSTEMS (C-UAS) TECHNICAL FORUM**

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Format: Short technical presentations from each contributor, followed by moderated discussion and audience Q&A.

Forum contributors:

- **Mr Glenn Murray**, CEO, SOIO – School of Information Operations
  Introduction to Counter-Uncrewed Aerial Systems (C-UAS) Operations
- **Mr Aaron Logue**, Deputy CTO, and
  Mr Jacob de Lang, DEWC Services
  MOSAIC – C-UAS Planning
- **Dr Venkata Gutta**, Founder and CEO, MILLIBEAM
  Closing the Squad-Level Counter-UAS Gap: An Engineering Diagnosis
- **Dr Andrew Piotrowski**, Principal EW Systems Engineer, DEWC Services
  Loitering Munitions and their Vulnerabilities to Electronic Attack based on Shahed-136 and Geran-2

Moderated by Mr Jeff Malone, AOC ANZ Board Member

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