

Biography



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Mr Dana W. Whalley

Chief Programme Management NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control Programme Management Agency (NAPMA)

Mr. Dana Whalley currently serves as the NATO AEW&C Programme Management Agency, Programme Management Division Chief. He is responsible for overseeing \$785M in legacy programs currently in development or production. Mr. Whalley also serves as the Programme Manager for NATO's \$750M Final Life Extension Programme (FLEP). FLEP will be a major mission systems modification to the NATO E-3A aircraft consisting of upgrades to Mission Computing System hardware and software, Mission Communications Systems hardware and software, and Electronic Support Measures (ESM) hardware and software.



In his previous assignment Mr. Whalley was the Program Manager and Branch Chief, Space Fence Program, Strategic Warning and Surveillance Systems Division, Battle Management Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Hanscom Air Force Base, MA. He led a 300+ member government, military and contractor team responsible for developing the \$1.3 billion Space Fence phased-array radar system. Mr. Whalley was responsible for all planning and acquisition activities to develop, integrate, test, deploy and sustain the S-band radar and operations center. As the primary means for un-cued space object detection in low-earth orbit Space Fence will provide predictive and actionable information to the warfighters.

Prior to his Space Fence position he was Chief, International Operations Branch, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Hanscom Air Force Base, MA. He was responsible for providing comprehensive Security Assistance support that facilitates Foreign Military Sales (FMS) and international co-operation with over 50 countries and 100 FMS Cases. He managed policy, manpower, financial and foreign disclosure activities in support of Hanscom's \$5.2B FMS portfolio.

Mr. Whalley also served as the Program Manager, NATO Air Command and Control Systems (NACMA), Brussels, Belgium. He managed the procurement of a \$1.2B state-of-the-art, air defense and air operations system, to be installed at 20-plus locations across the NATO nations. He led an 80+ person acquisition team and was responsible for all engineering, test, logistic, financial and program management aspects for the program. He served as the primary liaison to several NATO

committees, the US Mission to NATO and the NACMA Board of Directors. Mr. Whalley also managed the procurement of SHAPE's deployable Air C2 entities required to support NATO's out-of-area operations.

Before his assignment to NATO, Mr. Whalley served in numerous positions at Hanscom AFB, providing acquisition and program management expertise for international Air C2 systems in Iceland, Thailand, Egypt, Japan and Canada. He has extensive experience in software development and testing as well as system integration, system testing and deployment.

EDUCATION

- 1982 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Babson College, Wellesley, MA
- 1990 Squadron Officers School, Distinguished Graduate
- 1992 Air Command and Staff School (seminar)
- 1994 Defense Systems Management College, Program Management Course
- 2009 Defense Security Cooperation Executive Course
- 2014 Executive Program Management Course

CAREER CHRONOLOGY/ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. 1982-1983, Computer Scientist, North Warning System Program
- 2. 1983-1985, Software Project Analyst, BADGE-X Program (Japan)
- 3. 1985-1987, Interoperability Project Manager, Egyptian E-2C/776 Program
- 4. 1987-1990, Software Manager, Royal Thailand Air Defense System
- 5. 1990-1996, Deputy/Program Manager, Iceland Air Defense System
- 6. 1996-2007, Program Manager, NATO Air Command and Control System
- 7. 2007-2013, Chief, International Operations Branch
- 8. 2013-2018, Program Manager, Space Fence Branch
- 9. 2018 Present, Chief Programme Management Division, NATO AEW&C

AWARDS AND HONORS

HQ USAF Acquisition Excellence and Leadership Award

Outstanding Program Manager (ACAT I), 2015

Exemplary Civilian Service Award, 2012

NATO Secretary General's Award for Excellence, 2006