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The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning! We found several articles that you may be interested in.

Agile Practices on the Rise in the Latest NDAA
February 7, 2018 | Charles R. Mahon

On Oct. 5, 2017, Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis shared a memo with the Department of Defense outlining the need to bring business reforms to the Department, writing "This line of effort instills budget discipline and effective resource management, develops a culture of rapid and meaningful innovation, streamlines requirements and acquisition processes, and promotes responsible risk taking and personal initiative."

At the same time, the passage of the FY2018 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) gives congressional instruction on business management reforms necessary for the DoD. With that in mind, it is an ideal time to examine business data on the most useful reform approaches.

Project Management Institute's 2017 "Pulse of the Profession" survey, released last February, found that, for the first time in five years, more projects met original business goals while being completed within budget. The study found that, globally, organizations wasted an average of 9.7 percent, or $97 million for every $1 billion invested in projects and programs in 2016. The year prior, organizations wasted an average of $122 million per $1 billion invested.

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

GAO Says Nuclear Warhead Office Still Can't Afford Planned Modernization
February 8, 2018 | Daniel Cebul

New Carbine, Night Vision Goggles on the Fast Track Under Army's New Modernization Command
February 8, 2018 | Meghann Myers

Textron's Scorpion Jet: Disruptive Technology, Disruptive Business Model
February 7, 2018 | Loren Thompson

Here's Where Defense Companies are Funneling Newfound Tax Dollars
February 8, 2018 | Jill Aitoro

Pentagon Warns CEOs: Protect Your Data or Lose Our Contracts

February 8, 2018 | Marcus Weisgerber

France Proposes Big Defense Budget Hike
February 8, 2018 | Pierre Tran

Three Tech Problems the Navy and Marines are Worried About
February 8, 2018 | Mike Gruss

After Last-Minute Drama, Congress Passes a Government Funding Bill
February 9, 2018 | Katherine McIntire Peters and Eric Katz

Army Looks at Redefining its Classified Networks
February 8, 2018 | Lauren C. Williams

Why we Ought to Have a Military Appreciation Parade
February 7, 2018 | Charlie Dunlap

Hangzhou Quick to Embrace Blockchain Era
February 9, 2018 | Asia Time Staff

Section 809 News

Not sure what to do this weekend? Forecast is 100% of rain? Check out the Section 809 Panel January 2018 Volume 1 Report! Read about our recommendations for topics such as marketplace framework, commercial buying, audit, defense business systems, EVM, services contracting, small business, statutory offices, and statutory reports. Let us know what you think about the report and if you have any additional thoughts or recommendations by submitting them on our website or emailing SEC809@dau.mil. Have a great weekend!

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