

Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, USAF (Ret.)

Norty Schwartz serves as President of IDA, where he directs the activities of more than 1,000 scientists and technologists.

Norty has a long and prestigious career of service and leadership that spans over five decades. He was most recently President and CEO of Business Executives for National Security (BENS). During his six-year tenure at BENS, he was also a member of IDA's Board of Trustees.

Prior to retiring from the U.S. Air Force, he served as the 19th Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force from 2008 to 2012. He previously held senior joint positions as Director of the Joint Staff and as Commander of the U.S. Transportation Command. He began his service as a pilot with the airlift evacuation out of Vietnam in 1975.



Norty is a U.S. Air Force Academy graduate and holds a master's degree in business administration from Central Michigan University. He is also an alumnus of the Armed Forces Staff College and the National War College.

He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a 1994 Fellow of Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Seminar XXI. He has been married to Suzie since 1981.

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