

Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, USAF (ret.) Joins IDA as New President and Chief Executive Officer

ALEXANDRIA, VA (January) – Retired U.S. Air Force Gen. Norton A. Schwartz assumed duties as the president and chief executive officer of the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) today.

"For as long as I can remember, IDA has been a winning team producing analysis and related work that has earned the respect and trust of leaders and other stakeholders throughout the US Government," said Schwartz. "It is an extraordinary privilege for Suzie and me to join the IDA family. We are grateful for the opportunity and truly look forward to joining one of the Nation's foremost analytic teams."

Schwartz joined the IDA Board in 2013 with over four decades of national security experience. Having commanded units at virtually every level, he last served as the 19th U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff until his retirement in 2012. Most recently, Schwartz served as President of Business Executives for National Security for the last six years.

A graduate of the Air Force Academy, Schwartz holds a Master's of Business Administration, and is an alumnus of the Armed Forces Staff College and the National War College. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and has served as an advisor to or a director for a variety of American businesses.

IDA's Board of Trustees elected Schwartz in July to succeed Dr. David S.C. Chu as the company's top executive. Chu is retiring after 10 years directing IDA's extensive national security and science policy research portfolio; and more than 50 years of public and private service to the Nation.

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