



## **Janet Marroquin Pineda Receives IDA Award for Research Excellence**

**ALEXANDRIA, VA (December 2022)** – Janet Marroquin Pineda won the 2022 David S. C. Chu Award for Excellence in Research. Marroquin Pineda is a research associate in the Strategy, Forces and Resources Division at IDA. The award, named in honor of the former IDA president, is presented annually to a research associate who has made one or more outstanding analytic contributions in support of IDA's mission.

"Janet is recognized for her impressive accomplishments as both an individual contributor and a project lead," said IDA President Norty Schwartz. "She reflects the qualities IDA seeks in its best researchers."

Marroquin Pineda serves as a subject matter expert, provides her team with analytical guidance, and transitions from individual contributor to project lead as needed. She has exhibited skillful leadership, masterful diplomacy and expert ability to uphold quality and objectivity standards on multiple projects. She routinely develops unique methods and creative approaches to complete projects. In addition, her work is consistently well-received by sponsors. Further, Marroquin Pineda has become a thought leader within SFRD's chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear portfolio. Her technical skills, analytic leadership and extensive sponsor network across the biotechnology community have been key to growing and maintaining this strategically important portfolio for IDA.

"I'm honored to be recognized," said Marroquin Pineda. "It's exciting to be part of a company that allows me to continue to grow while performing meaningful work."

Marroquin Pineda is an IDA Scholar, pursuing her doctorate in biodefense at George Mason University (GMU). She earned her bachelor's degree in speech and hearing sciences from the George Washington University in 2012. She joined IDA as a summer associate in 2018 while working on a master's degree in biodefense at GMU, which she completed the following year. Marroquin Pineda is a member of the Next Generation Global Health Security Network.

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