

PARC Training Alert # 15-11: DOD Enterprise Software Initiative Training

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BLUF: The purpose of this alert is to inform the Army Contracting Enterprise of the Department of Defense Enterprise Software Initiative (DOD ESI) Software License Acquisition Training. The training will greatly assist contracting personnel, legal personnel, and technical personnel avoid the significant negative impacts resulting from the many pitfalls of software license negotiations and agreements.

REFERENCES: N/A

BACKGROUND: The DOD ESI provides no cost, specialized training in best practices of commercial software licensing acquisition and negotiation. The training includes but is not limited to one-hour webinar training entitled "End User License Agreement (EULA) Best Practices" and two-day workshops entitled "On-Site Commercial Software License Acquisition Training" conducted at various locations as requested. Other types of training, online tutorials, ask an expert and other tools are also available at <http://www.esi.mil>.

The Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Procurement) encourages contracting personnel and associated legal and technical personnel who are involved in preparing and issuing software license contracts or agreements, and contracts that include commercial software as part of a system or other end product, to attend one of the EULA Best Practices webinars.

Onsite workshops should be requested by training coordinators. The onsite workshops are most effective when cross-functional teams preparing requirements and awarding contracts attend together.

Specific training dates, venues, registration information, instructions and online tutorials are located on the DOD ESI website at <http://www.esi.mil/Training.aspx>.

The DOD ESI point of contact for training coordinators to request workshops is Ms. Suzi Ellison, susan.ellison@navy.mil, (619) 553-9663.

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NOTE: Please send any questions to the ODASA(P), e-mail: usarmy.pentagon.hqda-asa-alt.mbx.office-of-the-dasa-p@mail.mil, through your chain-of-command, as appropriate. Include the subject of this e-mail in the "Subject" block. The ODASA (P) action officer will disseminate a consolidated list of Frequently Asked Questions, as needed.