

Industry and Government Engagement

Transition Discussion

21 August 2025



The Space Coast Post of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) is sponsoring a transition discussion for civilian and service members who are retiring or separating from the Government Service. The intent of the forum is to provide information to enable informed decisions and a smooth transition. *Common knowledge is not common...so come, ask questions, and gain data points!*

The panel discussion will be held on 21 August 2025, 1130-1300hr, at the Courtyard Cocoa Beach Cape Canaveral [3435 North Atlantic Avenue Cocoa Beach, Florida, 32931]. The Workshop will be conducted in a panel format to encourage dialogue – questions, experiences, and advice.

Panel Moderator: Lauri Ruch, COO, PRiME Associates, LtCol (USAF Ret)

Panel Members:

Dave Luke, PE, Merrick & Company (Former USAF Captain)
Blair Schantz, CEO PRiME Associates, COL (US Army Ret)

The information being presented as a panel discussion are:

What do you want to be when you grow up?

- “Transition Networking”, Networking, and Resumes
- Boots to Business
- Government Service
- Government Contractor
- Non-Government Options (boards and non-profits)
- 1099 vs W2 status, pros and cons

Lunch is available. Please register for the event at <https://samespacecoast.org>