

Individual Contribution Award

Ms. Kate Oliver

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Ms. LeAntha Sumpter, (Deputy Director for Program Development and Implementation, Defense Procurement & Acquisition Policy in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for AT&L) present Ms. Kate Oliver with an eBusiness Individual Contribution Award.



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Kathleen (Kate) Oliver is the Project Manager for GSA's Integrated Acquisition Environment's (IAE's) System for Award Management (SAM), as well as for the IAE's legacy capabilities such as the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS). Over the last four years, her work dramatically improved the performance of FPDS; implementing the competition release that established a common competition measurement and version 1.4 of the application, which for the first time established a single set of reporting rules that apply to DoD and the civilian agencies. These changes have resulted significant improvements to the Department's data collection.

In the last two years Ms. Oliver has been directly leading the SAM project to consolidate the nine current IAE applications into a new streamlined, standardized, and integrated platform. Her efforts have already resulted in improvements to the entity registration and search processes; specifying areas of unnecessary data collection from some groups and the ability to have more transparency regarding socio-economic status of registrants, as well as a more effective identification of entities that are in an excluded status. In addition to the SAM consolidation projecting an overall cost reduction to the Department in terms of interface maintenance, the identified functional changes already provide a baseline to build upon for improved DoD market research and contractor identification.

