



# OUTLOOK<sup>®</sup> Conference

May 6-8, 2019 | Greensboro, GA USA  
The Ritz-Carlton Reynolds, Lake Oconee

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## An Exclusive Outlook

The United States Industrial Fabrics Institute (USIFI) and the Narrow Fabrics Institute (NFI) join together to unite industry leaders and provide perspectives on current trends and future insights. Attend Outlook 2019 to gain expert insight and a competitive edge.

Many enlightening experiences await:

- » **Explore** new market trends and opportunities.
- » **Connect** with key industry executives through conversation and networking events.
- » **Secure** unique insight from industry projections, government, military and DoD spending.

Thank you for the role you play in growing our industry. We look forward to seeing you at Outlook Conference 2019!

## Registration is Open!

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	BEFORE MARCH 30	STANDARD	BEFORE MARCH 30	STANDARD
<b>FULL REGISTRATION PLUS MILITARY MORNING*</b> Includes all educational sessions, Military Morning add-on and social/networking events.	\$725	\$875	\$1,000	\$1,150
<b>FULL REGISTRATION*</b> Includes educational sessions and social/networking events. Military Morning NOT included.	\$575	\$675	\$800	\$900
<b>MILITARY MORNING ONLY*</b> Registration includes Military Morning education only.	\$175	\$225	\$250	\$300
<b>COMPANION PACKAGE*</b> Includes meals and networking events only.	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
<b>CHAIRMAN'S GOLF EVENT</b> Monday, May 6, 1-6 pm	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
<b>ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT</b> Wednesday, May 8, 1-6 pm	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
<b>SPORTING CLAYS SHOOTING EVENT</b> Wednesday, May 8, 1:30-4 pm	Individual: \$180 Two People: \$300		Individual: \$180 Two People: \$300	

\*Additional fees apply for Golf and Sporting Clays.

# Interaction and Insight for Industry Leaders

**Chairman's Golf Event** | Monday, May 6 at 1 pm

## Tuesday, May 7

**Military Breakfast** | 8-9 am | Sponsored by MMI Textiles

**Registration** | 8-9 am and 11 am-1 pm

**Military Morning** | Presented by IFAI's Military Division



**Making (Some) Sense of the DoD Budget** | 9-9:45 am

Ron Houle, Pivot Step Consultants LLC

The outlook for the DoD Budget is uncertain. What is certain, however, is the federal fiscal year 2020 (beginning October, 2019)



**Defense Logistics Agency—Clothing & Textiles** | 9:45-10:30 am

DLA Troop Support Representative

Defense Logistics Agency is the Department of Defense's combat logistics support agency. Delve into its mission and details on the procurement of clothing, textile and equipment items for the Department of Defense and other customers.



**Military Industrial Base Partnerships—A Supplier Chain Prospective**

10:45-11:30 am

Brian Kenny, YKK

Understand the value of Berry Compliance to the Defense Industry, the challenges of the supply chain from prime contractors to the TIER I and II suppliers and the responsibility of industrial manufacturers to develop new, higher-value added products that enhance warfighter protection.

## Lunch, Opening Remarks and USIFI Annual Meeting

Noon-1 pm | Sponsored by Brawer Bros., Inc



**Sustainability Discussion Panel** | 1-2 pm

Helen Sahi, UNIFI; Colin Touhey, CEO, Pvilion

Sustaining energy and resources is a priority in the textile industry. Join the discussion with panelists who are making a difference. From solar energy to plastic conservation, these individuals bring a unique perspective to the sustainability conversation.



**Textiles and Electronics; Partners in Ubiquity** | 2:15-3:15 pm

Stephanie Rodgers, Apex Mills Corporation

Technical and Performance textiles are the flagship of our industry. Yarn has become the next invention and electronics are a topic of laundering performance and next level ubiquity known as Functional Fabrics. Successful outcomes of the first and third industrial revolutions are converging together as we begin the fourth; a hybrid of technology and humanity through textile applications. The fourth industrial revolution allows for the exploration of interdisciplinary approach and machine learning to help us innovate.

Speakers and schedule subject to change.



**Synthetic Fiber Review** | 3:15-3:45 pm

Laura Murphy, Wood Mackenzie Chemicals

A review of the synthetic fiber industry. What has been the impact of antidumping cases and the trade war with China? How has raw material pricing contributed to fiber pricing?



**Lobbying Efforts** | 4-5 pm

Sara Beatty, White Haven Trade

Update on Congressional and Executive Branch policy activities. Topics covered will include defense, government procurement and trade-related issues impacting the bottom lines of IFAI members as well as USIFI and NFI activities in Washington, D.C. The presentation will conclude with information about how members can get more involved.

**Reception** | 6:30-7:30 pm | Sponsored by Highland Industries



**Dinner and Keynote** | 7:30-9:30 pm

David Hinks,

Dean of the Wilson College of Textiles, NCSU

Join David Hinks as he discusses innovation and workforce development at NCSU.

## Wednesday, May 8

**Breakfast** | 7-8 am



**Will the Trump Bump Continue?** | 8-9 am

John E. Connaughton, Ph.D., University of North Carolina at Charlotte

After a pickup in growth in 2018, will the tax cuts provide a continued stimulus into 2019 and 2020.



**An Overview of the US Energy Marketplace:**

**Is Sustainable Energy Possible?** | 9:15-10:15 am

Aubrey Hilliard, Texican

A discussion of innovations in the energy industry that reduce pollution and greenhouse gases.



**Closing Keynote** | 10:30-11:30 am

Byron Reese:

1: Futurist, technologist, founder of several high-tech companies; 2: CEO and Publisher of Gigaom, one of the world's leading technology research companies; 3: Expert on artificial Intelligence, blockchain and the transformative effect of technology on the workplace; 4: Author of "Infinite Progress: How Technology Will End Ignorance, Disease, Hunger, Poverty and War" (2013) and "The Fourth Age: Smart Robots, Conscious Computers, and the Future of Humanity" (2018).

**Annual Golf Tournament** | 1-6 pm

**Sporting Clays Shooting Event** | 1:30-4 30 pm

**Reception** | 6:30-7:30 pm | Sponsored by Glen Raven

**Dinner** | 7:30-9:30 pm

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## Outlook Highlights



### Wednesday Keynote Speaker Byron Reese

Speaking across the globe, Byron brings great enthusiasm and talent for deciphering our common destiny and unlocking business opportunities within it. As a successful entrepreneur and award-winning futurist, Byron employs his perspective as a historian, futurist and technologist to illuminate how the technology of today can solve some of our most daunting global challenges.



### Annual Golf Tournament

The trademark of the National Course is its dramatic elevation changes from tee to fairway, as well as on approach shots – some as much as 60 feet. The typically large greens are defined by noticeable undulations, along with fairways that wind through dense forests of Georgia pines and hardwoods, flowering wild dogwoods and azaleas, while offering spectacular panoramas of Lake Oconee and the Oconee River Valley.



### Sporting Clays Shooting Event

Winding through scenic ponds, rolling terrain, forested thickets and a century-old pecan orchard, our sporting clays course presents guests with 6 signature location challenges. Often described as 'golf with a shotgun', sporting clays allow guests to enjoy a broad range of exciting clay movements, each providing distinctive entertainment for shooters of all levels.

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