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Mr. Andre J. Gudger was appointed as the Director of the Office of Small Business Programs in March 2011. Mr. Gudger serves as the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense on small business matters.



Mr. Gudger's career spans more than 15 years in the defense, intelligence, and investment banking industries. Previously, Mr. Gudger worked on key technical and financial initiatives with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Union Bank of Switzerland, and AT&T.

From 2003-2009, Mr. Gudger served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Solvern Innovations, a corporate entity which provided acquisition support and cyber solutions through training, research, and innovation. During this period, Solvern Innovations provided software development and commercialization through technology transfer to the Human Computer Interaction Lab at the University of Maryland College Park. In 2009, Solvern Innovations was acquired by TeleCommunication Systems where Mr. Gudger served as the Senior Vice President of the Cyber Intelligence division.

Mr. Gudger currently serves on several boards throughout the region, including the University of Maryland Baltimore County, the Maryland BRAC Small & Minority Business Advisory Board, and the Cyber Advisory Council.

Mr. Gudger received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland at Baltimore County. He received his Master in Business Administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he had the opportunity to study at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Erasmus University in Rotterdam, Tec de Monterrey in Mexico, Fundacao Vargus University in Brazil, and Gdansk University in Poland.