

DIR CONNECT - AGENDA
Wednesday – April 4, 2018

7:30 - 8:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Opens & Continental Breakfast in Hall 1			
8:00 – 8:45 AM	Attendee Check-in			
8:45 - 9:05 AM	Welcome & Overview of Breakout Sessions Offered Throughout Today– DIR Executive Director, Stacey Napier			
9:05 - 9:15 AM	Introduce SPD’s Amy Comeaux, 10-minute High-Level Certification Changes Review			
9:15 – 10:00 AM	Opening Keynote – Lauren Hasson The Negotia(HER) Hall 2			
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Networking & Nibbles in Exhibit Hall			
10:30 – 11:20 AM	Session #1			
	Hall 2	MR 1&2	MR 3&4	MR 5
	Open Q&A with Statewide Procurement Division Panel (SPD) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certification Reqs • Texas SmartBuy • ESBD/CMBL • CAT-RAD • VPTS 	Navigating DIR Coop & Shared Services Offerings	Negotiating Major IT Contracts Basics	Statewide Data Coordinator: Looking through the Portal
11:30 AM – 12:15 PM Lunch 12:15-12:45 PM Panel	Lunch (45 Min) served in Hall 2; followed by Panel Discussion <i>Moderated</i> by John VanHoorn “Flexible Resourcing” aka Internships			
12:55 – 1:45 PM	Session #2			
	Hall 2	MR 1&2	MR 3&4	MR 5
	HUB Round Tables <i>*Limited to Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Vendors*</i>	Part I - SOW Training	Legislative Changes	IT Negotiations Cooperative Contracts
1:45 – 2:30 PM	Break in Exhibit Hall			
2:30 – 3:20 PM	Session #3			
	Hall 2	MR 1&2	MR 3&4	MR 5
	IT Negotiations Cooperative Contracts	Part II - SOW Training	<i>Contracting for Agile</i>	Navigating TEXAN & Telecom
3:30 – 4:20 PM	Session #4			
	Hall 2	MR 1&2	MR 3&4	MR 5
	Negotiating Major IT Contracts Basics	IT Staffing Processes & Plans	<i>Vendor Knowledge Sharing Session</i> *LIMITED TO EXHIBITING VENDORS ONSITE*	Navigating TEXAN & Telecom