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### **DARPA Announces New Deputy Director**

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) announced Kaigham (Ken) Gabriel, Ph.D. as the Agency's new Deputy Director, effective July 21, 2009.

"The Nation and DARPA will be well served with Ken Gabriel as Deputy Director. His rare blending of experience in the private sector together with his past experience as a DARPA Program Manager and Office Director combine to make him a tremendous asset," said DARPA Director, Dr. Regina E. Dugan.

Dr. Gabriel was most recently at Akustica, a fabless semiconductor company commercializing micro electro-mechanical systems (MEMS) sensors for consumer electronics products, where he was its founder, chairman and chief technology officer.

From 1992 to 1997, Dr. Gabriel served at DARPA, first to start the agency's MEMS program and was then promoted to Director of the Electronics Technology Office (1996-1997) where he was responsible for the Agency's electronics technology programs including advanced lithography, electronics packaging, MEMS, optoelectronics, millimeter and microwave integrated circuits, and high-definition displays.

Prior to his government service, Dr. Gabriel was at AT&T Bell Labs in the Robotic Systems Research Department, was a Visiting Associate Professor at the Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo in Japan, and spent a year as a visiting scientist at the Naval Research Laboratory.

In 2003, Dr. Gabriel was named a Technology Pioneer by the World Economic Forum at Davos, one of 40 selected worldwide. He is also the co-founding Executive Director of the MEMS Industry Group, the principal trade organization representing the MEMS industry globally.

Dr. Gabriel holds an S.M. and a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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