



## A Report on Participation at the GEOINT 2023 Symposium

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### Overview

The GEOINT 2023 Symposium, hosted by the United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF), was held from May 21 (Sun.) to 24 (Wed.), 2023, at the America's Center Convention Complex in St. Louis, Missouri, U.S. This year's theme was "FROM MAPS TO METAVERSE."



The symposium's participants are mainly from governments, the private sector, and academia related to geospatial intelligence operations in the defense and security fields, mainly from the U.S., and, according to the organizers, this time about 4,000 people from 750 organizations attended, with more than 240 companies exhibiting. Meanwhile, the number of participants from Japan, both from the public and private sector, was estimated at close to 100. While there were no participants from Mainland China, a large number of participants from Taiwan and South Korea did stand out.

### Overall impression & analysis

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### Main presentations & discussions

#### (1) Keynote speech by the new head of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)

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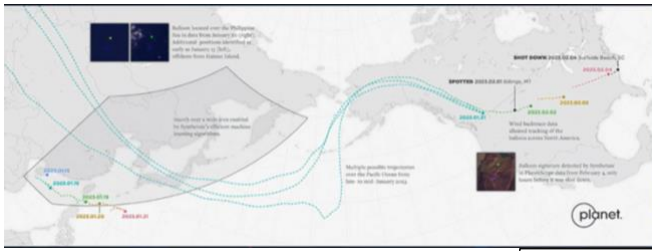
T-REX joint office, for GEOINT startups

#### (2) Keynote speech from the United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF)

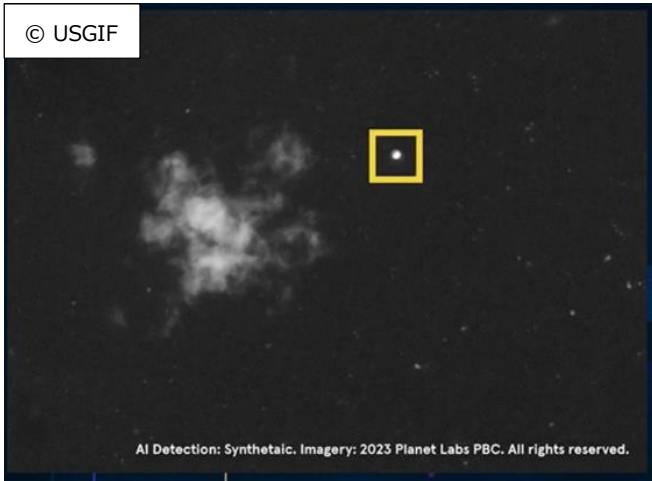
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**(3) The Commercial GEOINT Working Group**

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**(4) Hyperspectral satellites**

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**(5) The metaverse**

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**(6) The future of GEOINT**

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**Other miscellaneous comments**

St. Louis, the city where the GEOINT 2023 symposium was held this time, is positioned as a gateway to the western half of the United States. For this reason, and not only in St. Louis, BBQ cuisine, which is a representative dish of the western U.S., is eaten everywhere. A main dish of this cuisine is BBQ pork spare ribs, and if you don't say anything to the contrary, you'll be given the whole side of an animal. I ordered half that size, and it was still a good portion—more than enough for one person. It's quite a nice & wild experience, as you use a knife to cut along the ribs and pull the meat off the bone with your teeth and hands.

This all pairs very well with a Budweiser, the world's most-well-known beer. After all, the company is headquartered in St. Louis, so you'll see Budweiser



ads everywhere you go. Local people commonly refer to Budweiser as a "local beer," so they must be proud that a beer from their town is known the world over.

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