



SNAME EASTERN CANADIAN SECTION

27 January 2026, Ottawa (Hybrid)

1830 Arrivals at Chiefs' Mess for 1900 Start

Data Security and Governance in Maritime Systems

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Chief and Warrant Officers Mess
Rockcliffe Room (use main entrance to 2nd deck)
4 Queen Elizabeth Driveway, Ottawa

Please join us at Deacon Brodies ([247 Elgin St](#)) for a no-host informal pub dinner.
“Come if you can! Come as you are! And bring some friends!”

1700 Optional: Arrivals Deacon Brodies, 247 Elgin St (please RSVP for indicative numbers)
1830 Arrivals / Networking commence at Chiefs' Mess
1900 SNAME Eastern Canadian Section Update
1915 Data Security and Governance Presentation
2030 Networking / Small Group follow up
2200 Facilities shut

RSVP (for indicative numbers):

- [SNAME Link to Register](#)
- or Glenn Walters (glenn.walters87@gmail.com) or 613-979-8618
 - o please indicate if also joining at Deacon Brodies

Presenter: Karen Arsenault, SNAME Member

[LinkedIn - Karen Arsenault](#)

- Began career as a Communications and Electronics Engineering Officer in the Canadian Armed Forces and progressed through leadership roles across public and private sectors spanning all defence domains, and commercial industry.
- Recognized as a solution-oriented leader, skilled in building cohesive teams and driving strategic planning.
- Extensive experience in national defence, critical infrastructure security and risk management, and cyber assurance.
- Led cross-functional teams to deliver complex programs, manage contracts, ensure regulatory compliance, and apply data analytics and technological solutions to improve decision-making, and operational outcomes.
- Holds certifications: PMP, CISSP, ITIL, and SAFe.
- Personal passions include art, athletics, gardening, and writing with a strong commitment to community and continuous growth.

Presentation:

- As Canada accelerates digital transformation across all industries, the understanding of how our data is managed (governed) and where it is allowed to reside or move (sovereignty) has become central to operational safety, resilience and trust.
- Increasing reliance on connected platforms, AI-enabled tools, and cross-organizational data exchange has elevated data security from a technical concern to our strategic responsibility.
- Today's presentation will explore data security and governance through a maritime lens, focusing on how our organizations can move beyond compliance towards resilient, mission-aligned and confident, data stewardship.
- Drawing from recent case studies, we will discuss how intelligent frameworks automate lineage, enforce policy, and provide transparency across complex data ecosystems allowing for collaboration, supporting operations and innovation while managing risk, and reinforcing a secure and safe culture for our teams, in an increasingly complex socio-technical environment.

SNAME ECS Coming Events: (Works in Progress)

- Confirmed: Sold Out – 21 Jan 2026 (Ottawa) Visit to BAE Systems Canada Design Suite
 - Note: limited to 12 SNAME Members with valid secret security clearance
 - All welcome to join for post event informal pub gathering (1630)
- Confirmed: 1830 for 1900, 11 Feb 2026 (Ottawa) SNAME ECS Social with DND Naval Architecture Working Group, Chiefs' Mess (Notice to follow). Note: Follows Vanguard led one day C4ISR event
- Confirmed: SHIPTECH 2026, 24 Feb 2026, Vanguard led Ottawa event – SNAME ECS offered 4 spots for Coop Student / Young professional volunteers (Notice to Follow)
- Confirmed: ICETECH 2026, 25 Feb 2026 – SNAME ECS One Day Arctic Technology event conducted in a workshop format – limited to 100. Note: follows Vanguard led SHIPTECH (Notice to Follow)
 - 0830-1600 – tentatively 1 Panel, 6 presentations, Open forum Discussion
 - 1600-1800 – Post event Meet and Greet

