



**Memorandum of Agreement**  
**Society of American Military Engineers and Design-Build Institute of America**

The terms and conditions outlined in this Memorandum of Agreement will guide the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) and the Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA). Its execution recognizes the intent of the two Associations to form a strategic alliance to facilitate collaboration, education and information sharing, and to enhance professionalism in the Department of Defense, other federal agencies and the private sector.

**National Conferences.** SAME and DBIA agree to advertise each other's national conferences in their respective publications and to provide a link to the conference website from their websites. SAME will offer DBIA a complimentary 10 x10 to exhibit space at its annual Joint Engineer Training Conference (JETC). DBIA will offer SAME a complimentary exhibit space at the Design-Build for Water/Wastewater and Transportation.

DBIA and SAME will work together to help all federal agencies better achieve success in project delivery. To that end, DBIA and SAME will host Federal Owners Forums engaging key federal agency stakeholders with the goal of identifying and addressing the challenges facing federal agencies and cultivating a process of finding creative solutions to better the industry and our nation. These forums will be annual, or on an as-needed basis as mutually agreed upon by DBIA and SAME." The forum will be held in locally and the costs of the event will be agreed on in advance and shared 50/50.

**Membership and Working Relationships.** DBIA will join SAME as a non-profit organization and SAME will join DBIA as an Associate Member. This will be an even exchange with no payment required. SAME and DBIA staff directors will develop working relationships for the mutual benefit of the two organizations. SAME Posts and DBIA Regions and Chapters will be encouraged to host joint meetings and training seminars. Members of both organizations will be permitted to purchase registrations at member prices for each other's events or courses.

**Education and Training.** DBIA agrees to work with SAME to offer DBIA core curriculum via a partnership between the appropriate DBIA Region and SAME Post. Such courses will be advertised by SAME at DBIA prices, with SAME members eligible for the DBIA member rate. DBIA will manage all program logistics in accordance with its current practices. SAME will promote the educational offerings as "DBIA sponsored programs" on its website and in collateral material, with a link to DBIA. DBIA will offer a rebate to the SAME Post based on a pre-determined "per head" fee. DBIA and SAME will mutually agree upon which Posts and Regions are best suited to work together to achieve each organization's goals.

**Certification.** SAME agrees to promote the DBIA™ certification. DBIA agrees to review the education program of SAME conferences to provide a determination on those sessions for which individuals with DBIA certification can receive continuing education credits.

**Term of Memorandum of Agreement.** SAME and DBIA both agree that this agreement is effective as of the date of signing by the Executive Director of each association and shall continue until either or both parties, with 90 days written notice, declare it null and void. This agreement may be supplemented by additional operating agreements to be signed by the parties to this MOA.

Design-Build Institute of America

Society of American Military Engineers

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15 July 2017  
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