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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday, 12 December 2008:** **Mr. Leendert Van Bochoven**, Partner Public Sector, European Defense/ Network Centric Operations, IBM Global in Brussels, will be our luncheon guest speaker at the Salons France-Amériques. His topic will be, “The Planet is getting Smarter. Will your Company keep up?”

#### NEWS FROM THE BOARD

The following new members joined in November and were included in our updated Membership Directory of 111 members issued on 15 November:

Deutsch (Southwest Chapter)	<b>Alexis Synodinos</b>	Marketing Manager	asynodinos@deutsch.com
Realization Techniques France	<b>Vincent Doblin</b>	Directeur Général	vincent.doblin@realization.fr

In addition, we have since been advised of the following telephone changes:

Boeing France	<b>Pierre Lenhardt</b>	Mgr. Business Development	Mobile: 06.2842465
British Embassy	<b>Michael Brzezicki</b>	Defence Attaché	Tel: 01.4451 3235
EACC	<b>Claudine Serre</b>	Directrice	Mobile: 06.15264205
Thales	<b>Sylvie Lycot</b>	VP, International Ops.	Tel : 01.57778501

#### RECENT EVENTS

**Friday, 14 November:** Guest speaker, **Thérèse Delpech**, Director Strategic Studies, Atomic Energy Commission. Topic: “Renaissance of world civil nuclear park & consequences on nuclear proliferation”.

**Friday, 28 November:** **USAIRE**'s Thanksgiving dinner-gala, our major event of the year, was held at the elegant Cercle de l'Union Interalliée in Paris with 230+ members and guests attending. These included: **General Georgelin**, Chief of the Joint Staff, **Mr. Collet-Billion**, DGA, **Admiral Forissier**, Chief of the French Navy, **Major General Palomeros**, French Air Force, **Mr. Wacheneim**, Chief of Staff of the Transport Minister, **Admiral Païtard**, Chief of Military Staff of the Defense Minister, and **Patrick Gandil**, Director of the DGAC. Most of the Industrialists of our Sector were also present.

**Michel Dubarry**, our President, welcomed everyone. **E.J. Herold** then told the story of the first American Thanksgiving celebration by the Pilgrims in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1621. This was followed by a traditional turkey dinner and the highlight of the evening: the presentation of prizes to the winners of our 2008 Student Award Program (see below).

**Student Award Program:** The theme was, “**What will be the Energy & Environmental Context for the Aerospace & Defense Industry in 2030?**” Also, “**What Consequences will this have on our Industry's Competitiveness & Innovation Ambitions?**” Cathay Pacific, Air France, Capgemini, Airbus, Eurocopter, Thales, Aviation Week and Air & Cosmos were our partners for this Award.

The first place winner included 1000 euros from **USAIRE** and two Cathay Pacific round-trip flights to Hong Kong. The second prize winners (2) received 800 euros from **USAIRE** and Air France round-trip flights to New York. Third and fourth winners received lesser cash awards and other valuable prizes. The papers of all the winners were printed in a handsome Student Award booklet distributed to those attending. A copy can be obtained by contacting ([caroline.lamassoure@rolls-royce.com](mailto:caroline.lamassoure@rolls-royce.com)).

**General Georgelin** introduced the Theme for our 2009 Student Award on Space.

Michel Dubarry, USAIRE President