

Web-based Secure Real-Time Communication and Collaboration

CASCOM Sustainment Portal

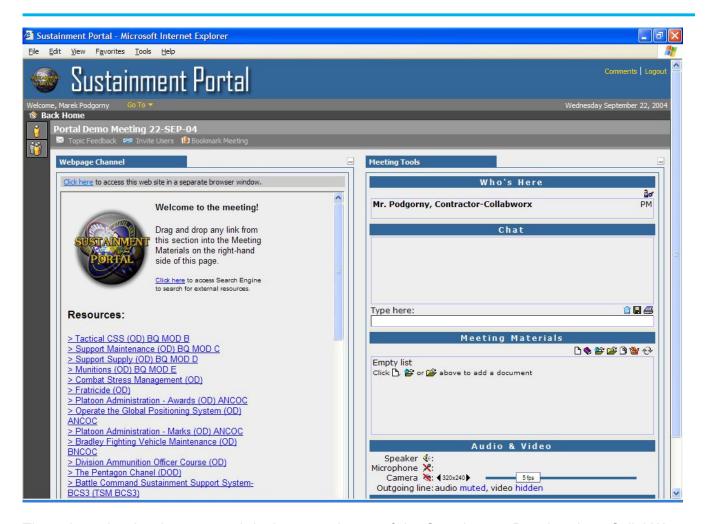
Built on real-time collaboration

US Army Combined Arms Support Command, Fort Lee, Virginia, is in advanced phases of developing and deploying the Sustainment Portal. The portal provides a virtual collaboration environment supporting military organizations, activities, and individual service members, and includes means to host and participate in group sessions, access knowledge and training sources, and to explore online immersive simulations.



CollabWorx has been selected from among 20 competitors to provide the capabilities of its Secure Real-Time Collaboration (SRTC) platform to be closely embedded into the Sustainment Portal. The winning selection criteria included:

- Extensibility: ability to support unique vision of the government customer (demonstrated by proofof-concept demo delivered within one week)
- **Embeddability**: modular web-based design of SRTC platform that also specifically supports inportal collaboration concepts
- Rich functionality: built-in security and excellent audio & video capabilities.



Throughout the development and deployment phases of the Sustainment Portal project, CollabWorx works closely with Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), the prime contractor and subject domain expert, and Appian Corporation, a leading business process management (BPM) suite provider, to achieve the long-term project goals. Appian has delivered the Sustainment Portal software suite as well as Army Knowledge Online (AKO).

Patrick E. Conway, USACASCOM Training Directorate, said: "I'm extremely pleased with the work CollabWorx and other contractors have done and continue to do. The CASCOM leadership has already requested use of the Portal to support TF LOG initiatives, which will provide a means to conduct weekly collaboration sessions with 5 or more remote locations, and we are in the process of expanding use of the Sustainment Portal to support other venues."

Initial combined portal functionality includes accessing and searching selected knowledge, training and simulation sites/materials; message threads, forums, alerts, and other individually customized tools; as well as setting up and hosting online collaboration sessions with chat, audio, video, white-board and other collaboration tools.

CollabWorx SRTC is integrated with the architecture and user interface of Appian/Sustainment Portal to provide meeting management tools and persistent collaboration spaces, and uses Appian/Sustainment Portal document repository as a meeting working space.