

## **EVITA--A model for Collaborative Coalition Planning**

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### **Abstract**

At the military's Top Level Schools the student body is a mix of senior officers from all of the services, most of the warfare areas and senior civilians from the national security community. Recent advances in the use of visualization and collaboration technologies in the classroom and in exercises and wargames offer insights into how these technologies can improve the command and control of joint and coalition operations. One example of this is the National Defense University's Joint Multi-Dimensional Education and Analysis System (JMEANS). This paper and demonstration will discuss how EVITA--a suite of Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) tools--is being used at the National Defense University to facilitate the ability of students to collaborate on planning of military operations and how these same tools can be applied to "real world" coalition planning. This presentation will include a demonstration of the use of the tools.

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