

Keynote Speaker

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Dr. Hommert began his career with Sandia in 1976 and progressed from being technical staff to holding positions of increased responsibility in a broad range of programs and management assignments. He initially led programs supporting energy research, and from the mid to late 1990s, he was director of engineering sciences.

From 2000 to 2003, Dr. Hommert was the director of Research and Applied Science at the Atomic Weapons Establishment in the United Kingdom, where he led the science and engineering organization responsible for the United Kingdom's nuclear deterrent.

From 2003 to 2006, Dr. Hommert led the Applied Physics Division at Los Alamos National Laboratory. The division was responsible for nuclear weapon design and assessment, weapon performance code development, and weapon science support.

In 2006, Dr. Hommert returned to Sandia to become vice president of Sandia's California site, a position he held until 2009. In 2009, Dr. Hommert returned to Sandia's main site in Albuquerque, where he became executive vice president and deputy Laboratories director for the Nuclear Weapons Program.

Dr. Hommert earned a B.S. degree cum laude in mechanical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in mechanical engineering from Purdue University. He received an Outstanding Alumnus Award for Professional Excellence in 2003 from Purdue's School of Mechanical Engineering and a Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award in 2010 from Purdue's College of Engineering.

