

Greg Deabler



Greg Deabler is a client industry executive in EDS' Global Government Industry Group and serves as segment leader for defense. He leads the design and development of large-scale, strategic initiatives by applying transformational innovations in IT and business process integration.

Before joining the Global Government Industry, Deabler was a director in the Transformation Services practice and led the creation of EDS' Trade Optimization Services and radio frequency identification (RFID) offerings. In addition, Deabler has provided overall project leadership on several strategic IT projects that touch on all areas of client operations, and resulted in significant business model improvements.

Deabler came to EDS from consulting firms A.T. Kearney and Ernst & Young, where he led e-commerce initiatives at one of the Consumer & Retail industry's successful global online exchanges, large-scale procurement modernization at a FORTUNE 100 firm, IT integration effort of the largest transportation merger in history, and participated in numerous post-merger integration and lean supply chain projects at Aerospace & Defense and Transportation clients. He began his career as an officer in the U.S. Air Force, leading systems engineering and manufacturing efforts on aerospace programs. Deabler holds a bachelor of science degree in industrial management engineering from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a master's degree in industrial engineering from North Carolina State University.

Miguel Fernandez Diaz



Miguel Fernandez Diaz is the chief executive officer (CEO) of Innovation Strategies. He has 20 years of experience consulting in port and logistics information technology (IT) and has been involved in the development of the Port of Valencia Port Community System (PCS) since 1990, including the standardization of port transactions and data in Spain and the European Union. He has developed strategy and IT projects for maritime and port clients both in Spain and abroad.

In addition to his work with the Port of Valencia, Fernandez Diaz also helped develop the European Maritime Information System and developed the management systems for the Port Authority of various leading Spanish ports. His prior experience includes serving as regional manager for PROFIT/Gartner Group in Barcelona and national coordinator for the Information Systems Strategic Planning Practice in Spain for Ernst & Young.

Fernandez Diaz earned an engineering degree from the Universidad Metropolitana de Caracas in Venezuela and completed the Executive Management Programme at the Instituto de Empresa in Spain. He is fluent in English, Spanish and Catalan and resides in Palma de Mallorca, Spain.

Barry Ptashkin



Barry Ptashkin is a client industry executive in the transportation sector for EDS' Global Government Industry Group. As an industry expert, he is responsible for the marketing, sales and execution of consulting, integration and outsourcing services to the government transport sector.

Ptashkin has more than 30 years of hands-on experience in business development, project management, strategic planning, business transformation, change management, merger integration, marketing, organization and staffing, problem-solving facilitation, operations and profit improvement, information technology, maintenance, materials management and labor relations. Prior to entering the management consulting profession, Ptashkin worked for the Chicago and North Western Railway, responsible for industrial engineering, conducting first party labor negotiations and directing terminal operations which involved coordinating all freight movement, maintenance and support functions.

Ptashkin earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Illinois, Champaign and master's of business administration from Loyola University of Chicago. He is a Certified Management Consultant by the Institute of Management Consultants and is a Senior Member of the Institute of Industrial Engineers.

Mike Schaefer



Mike Schaefer is the practice leader for EDS Supply Chain Management with primary responsibility for the Consumer Industry & Retail, Manufacturing and Government industries. In this role, Schaefer is responsible for developing supply chain strategies, solutions and client dialogues based on process and industry practices that reinforce EDS efforts to better serve its clients and their respective supply chain partners.

Prior to joining EDS, Schaefer served both aerospace and industrial manufacturing industries and served as president and co-owner of Systems Machinery Engineering, Inc., a fluid power distributor and systems manufacturer in the U.S. Midwest.

Among Schaefer's associated experience are his 30 years of service as an officer and military logistician in the U.S. Army Reserve. Retiring as a Colonel, Schaefer's career included time in both active duty and the reserves.

A graduate of the University of Kansas, Schaefer received both a bachelor of science and master of science in business. In addition, he is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

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