



The BTI Institute traveled to Border Security Expo 2019 in San Antonio March 26-27, 2019. The expo showcased leadership from the border agencies managing the security and flows of people and goods across the borders. The Institute hosted a booth in the vendor showcase as an opportunity to engage with Homeland Security leadership and potential industry collaborators. [Read More.](#)

RESEARCH AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

DHS S&T/Israel | BIRD Foundation | Advanced Technologies | [Instructions and Details](#)

Executive Summary Required by **April 8, 2019**

BTI Institute | RFP 19-01 | Prosperity and Security in Central America | [Instructions and Details](#)

Full Proposal Required by **April 26, 2019**

SPECIAL UPDATE



Cadets Hughley, Boardman, and Nagle, all of whom interned with the Institute this past summer, have received their follow-on assignments after graduation from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Hughley and Boardman have been assigned to flight school. Nagle has been assigned to the Coast Guard Cutter USCGC Munro (WMSL-755). Congratulations and “*Semper Paratus.*”

NEWS AND EVENTS



EMPOWER Women's Leadership Conference

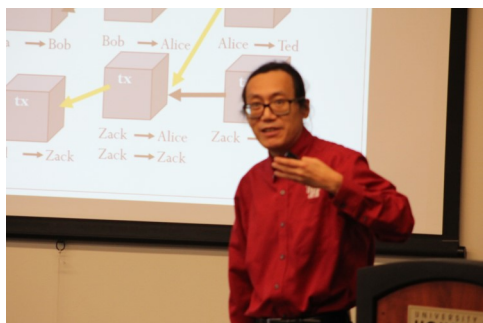
In the context of Women's History Month, Drs. Abria Magee and Maura Pereira De Leon spoke at the EMPOWER Women's Leadership Conference at the University of Houston March 1, 2019. [Read More.](#)

#WomeninLeadership



Combating Human Trafficking, Roles

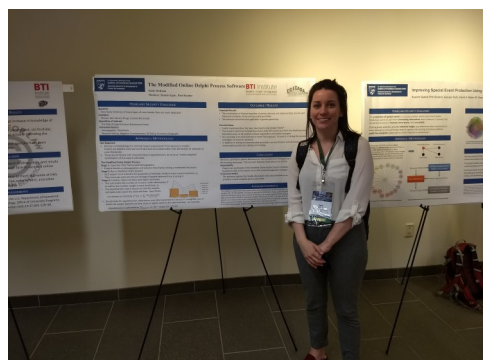
The BTI Institute hosted a lunch-and-learn focused on the roles and responsibilities of the Medical and Legal Professions in combating human trafficking. [Read More.](#)



Blockchain, Securing Supply Chain

The BTI Institute hosted a lunch-and-learn focused on Blockchain and the potential to secure supply chains across international borders. Larry Shi, Ph.D., a researcher with the Institute, gave the lecture. [Read More.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS



Save the Date | COE Summit 2019 | July 30 - August 1

The Centers of Excellence Summit 2019 will be held July 30 through August 1 at George Mason University. The event is a collaboration between the Department of Homeland Security Centers of Excellence. The theme for the summit is "Homeland Security Challenges: Evolving Threats and Dynamic Solutions." Registration opens early April.

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