

About Steve O’Keeffe

An applied technology expert, Steve O’Keeffe is the founder of MeriTalk – www.meritalk.com – the government IT network. MeriTalk is an online community that hosts professional networking, thought leadership, and focused events to drive the government IT dialogue. MeriTalk hosts [Data Center Exchange](#), [Big Data Exchange](#), [Cloud Exchange](#), and [Cyber Security Exchange](#) – platforms dedicated to support public-private dialogue and collaboration. Each Exchange generates operational content, applications, and programs to help the Federal government realize its data center consolidation, cloud, big data, and cyber security goals.

With more than 20 years’ experience in the government IT community, O’Keeffe has worked in both government and industry and has contributed to *The Washington Post* and *The Economist*. Today, he regularly sparks dialogue on his blog, My Cup of IT.

O’Keeffe is often on Capitol Hill, testifying on government IT and workforce issues in both House and Senate hearings. A Fed 100 winner, O’Keeffe is a member of the USO-Metro board.