



Defence and Security Accelerator

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DASA finds, funds and fast-tracks innovation for the Armed Forces and national security while supporting UK prosperity.

Why work with DASA?

- anyone can apply
- no partners required
- 100% funding
- Intellectual Property stays with you
- simple application and assessment processes
- R&D tax credits
- access to mentoring and finance

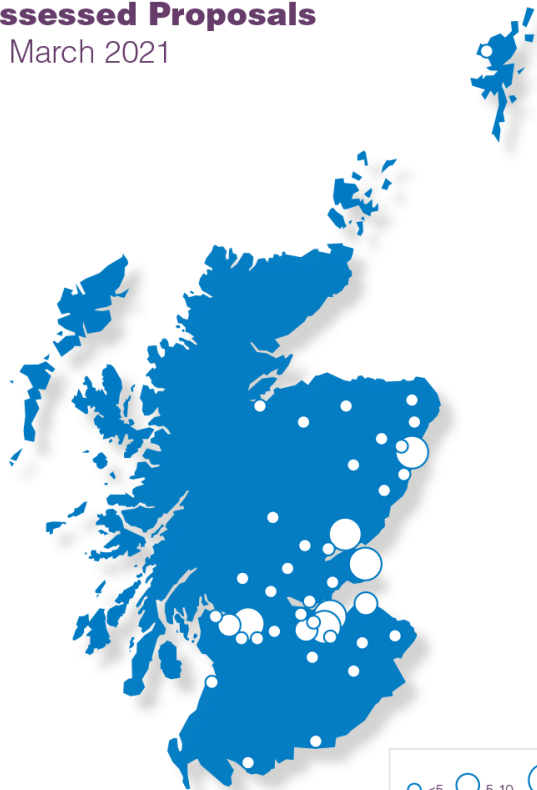
Key facts December 2016 to August 2021

- 5219 applications, 2084 innovators
- Micro 38%, SME 27%, Academia 18%, Large 16%
- 40% of innovators are new to Defence and Security
- 934 projects funded, 410 innovators, £155.3M
- 56% funded projects are from small businesses
- funded projects [here](#)



Assessed Proposals

to March 2021



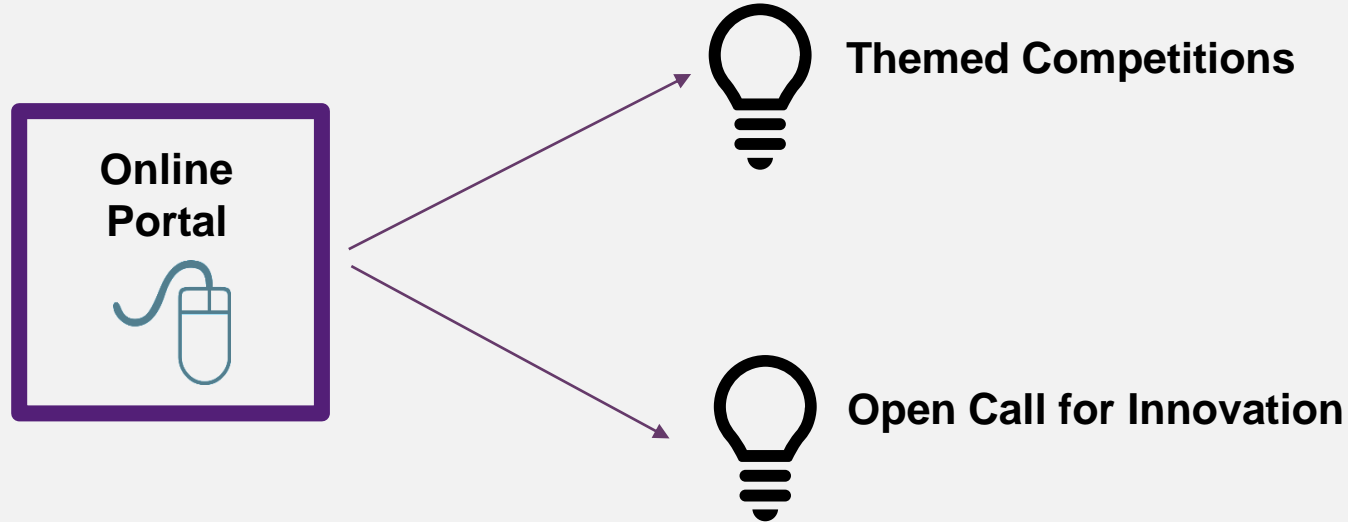
Funded Proposals

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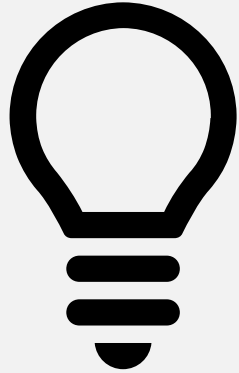


68 funded
projects
~£10.8M

Core services



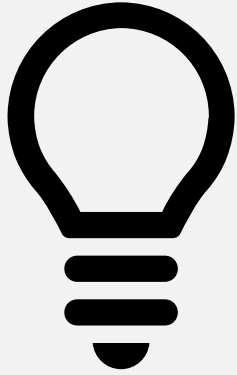
Market Explorations



Themed Competitions

Space to innovate campaign

- £2M (31 March 2023), multiple 'drops'
- bravo drop, finish TRL3-6, 4-8 projects
 - varying lengths and costs available
 - novel sensing and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) technologies
 - novel approaches to significantly improve signal-to-noise performance
 - closes midday 09 November



Open Call for Innovation

- Defence and Security streams
- upcoming closing dates
 - 20 October
 - 05 January
 - 02 March

TRL 2 to 6

TRL	MOD definition
1	Basic principles observed and reported
2	Technology concept and/or application formulated
3	Analytical and experimental critical function and/or characteristic proof of concept
4	Technology basic validation in a laboratory environment
5	Technology basic validation in a relevant environment
6	Technology model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment
7	Technology prototype demonstration in an operational environment
8	Actual technology completed and qualified through test and demonstration
9	Actual technology qualified through successful mission operations

Open Call for Innovation

Innovation outlines

- our EOI
- via the 'contact us' link
- less than one page pitch
- used to consult potential customers

Open Call for Innovation

Full proposals

Emerging innovation Defence	Rapid impact innovation Defence Security
TRL 2 to 4	TRL 4 to 6
12-months maximum	24-months maximum
No funding limit	No funding limit

Open Call for Innovation

Innovation focus areas

- integrate information and physical activity across all domains
- delivering agile command and control
- operate and deliver effects in contested domains
- Defence people, skills, knowledge and experience
- simulating future battlespace complexity
- autonomous cyber defence agents
- reducing the cyber attack surface

Assessment

- desirable
- feasible
- viable

What is Access to Mentoring and Finance

Available to:

- **DASA-funded innovators**
- all innovators looking to commercialise into D&S and grow their business are eligible for an initial diagnostic and some guidance!

Helping innovators to:

- understand business needs and aspirations
- understand and access mentors, investors and funders
- creating and delivering smart brokerage into the over 200 Business Incubators and 160 Business Accelerator regionally based programmes
- become Market, Funder and Strategic supplier ready



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Annual Review 2020-2021