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Industry Engagement **UPDATE**

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Defence Industry Security Program

Are you a business undertaking work on behalf of Defence, or other entity planning to work with Defence in the future?

The Defence Industry Security Program (DISP) supports Australian entities to understand and meet their security obligations when engaging in Defence tenders, contracts and projects, as well as providing other information to help get businesses 'Defence Ready'.

DISP membership applies to companies working directly for Defence, or as part of a larger supply chain.

Learn more about the program, or meet the DISP team in-person at the upcoming Avalon Air Show this March. DISP and the Australian Government Security Vetting Agency (AGSVA) will have staff on hand at the event to answer any questions.



Registrations now open Defence Capability Symposium

Defence industry personnel are invited to register for the 2025 Defence Capability Symposium to be held virtually on Wednesday 5 March 2025.

The symposium will feature a series of engaging capability case studies, presentations and moderated panel discussions with senior leaders, subject matter experts and capability practitioners.

Australian Signals Directorate (ASD) Choosing secure and verifiable technology

The ASD has updated guidance on 'choosing secure and verifiable technologies' to include additional insights about supply chain threats for products and services. The publication is aimed at empowering industry to demand that technology manufacturers provide secure and verifiable technologies.

Industry leaders can read supporting executive guidance for assistance with making better informed ICT procurement assessments and decisions, as well as to understand how 'secure-by-design' can reduce the risk to their organisation.



Applications now open Strategic Policy Grants Program

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 round of the **Strategic Policy Grants Program (SPGP)** via **GrantConnect**, an annual, open and competitive grant opportunity geared towards funding independent, strategic policy-focused research and related activities. Applicants are tasked with either addressing a priority policy question outlined in the 2025 Grant Opportunity Guidelines, or alternatively their own question or topic which aligns with the **2024 National Defence Strategy** priorities. This year the program aims to award approximately AUD\$3.5 million in total grant funding.

Adapting Army Podcast Series

Visionary leaders from Army, Defence, industry and academia share their stories and insights to explore how Army can adapt through people, partnerships and innovation. Learn how Army can drive change, harness disruptive technology, and take advantage of opportunities that will shape Defence's preparedness and capabilities to meet challenges ahead.

Industry Resources



AusTender

A free tool to find Australian Government business opportunities, annual procurement plans and contracts awarded.

ICN Gateway

Australia and New Zealand's largest **network of suppliers and projects**.

BenchOn

With one free profile, access opportunities with government agencies and Primes through **BenchOn Industry Portals**. One platform, many insights.

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Team Defence Australia



Events Calendar

Team Defence Australia is the premier national platform for export capable Australian defence and dual-use companies to showcase their goods, services, technology and solutions at international trade events.

SOF Week

Location: Tampa, US

Date: 5–8 May

Domain: Special Operations

EOI opens: 24 January

EOI closes: 9 February

LIMA

Location: Langkawi, MY

Date: 20–24 May

Domain: Maritime/
Aerospace

EOI opens: 10 February

EOI closes: 23 February

DSEI Japan

Location: Tokyo, JP

Date: 21–23 May

Domain: Tri Service

EOI opens: 10 February

EOI closes: 23 February

Expressions of interest (EOI) are made available through the Australian Defence Export Office Industry Capability Network (ICN) page. Companies must register on ICN in order to submit an EOI.



We'd love to hear from you!

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