

Defence and Security  
Accelerator

# The Defence and Security Accelerator: Tackling defence challenges for a safer future

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We find and fund exploitable innovation to support UK  
defence and security quickly and effectively, and  
support UK prosperity.

# DASA Services

- Market Explorations
- Supplier funding
  - Themed competitions & Innovation Focus Areas (IFAs)  
*‘Customer pull’*
  - Open Call competitions  
*‘Innovator push’*
- Support to funded suppliers
  - e.g. Exploitation and Access to Mentoring and Finance (A2MF)



# Funding awarded to 1020 projects

## Success rates

Open Call\* 20%  
Phase 1 25%  
Phase 2 25%

FY21/22  
Estimated<sup>1</sup>  
Funding

**£45m**

MOD  
Science

**£76.0m**

Defence  
Innovation  
Fund

**£40.3m**

FLC

**£16.8m**

OGD

**£41.5m**

Phase 1  
£109k

Phase 2  
£325k

Investment  
of  
**£174.6m**

**DASA: delivering innovation at pace**

\*Not including the COVID cycles

Dec 16 – January 22

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# Why work with us?

- 100% funding
- Intellectual Property stays with you
- Quick and easy contracting
- Access to:
  - end users and technical advice
  - mentoring and finance
- We work to exploit your ideas





# Case Study

# SimCentric

# DASA supports its funded suppliers through:



# First Customer Fund

- Enables customers to buy pre-production prototypes in order to inform a procurement requirement or decisions from the SME community

*‘£5.5m programme’*

- Government customers often don't have a budget line to purchase solutions for evaluation and SME suppliers can't afford to supply them free of charge

*‘the First Customer Fund seeks to bridge this gap’*

- To encourage and promote innovation to the widest possible scope of the Defence & Security ecosystem.

# Defence Innovation Loans

- Aimed at SMEs who cannot access traditional finance
- Up to 100% of eligible project costs
- Available for up to 7 years with funds drawn in stages during the first 2 years
- Up to 4 years interest cover only (at 3.7%pa with rest deferred to capital repayment period)
- Capital and interest repayments start once commercial sales secured






# Case Study **TriCis**

# How to get involved

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North East	West Midlands	London
Yorkshire and the Humber	Wales	South East
North West	East Midlands	South West

