# HII Unmanned Systems UUV Interoperability and Cooperation

Achieving true inter-navy asset sharing and mission delivery

# **Unmanned Systems**

World-leading autonomy and multi-domain autonomous systems manufacturer for defense, research and commercial applications.



### Capabilities

- Unmanned Underwater Vehicles
- Design, Development,
  Production & Sustainment
- Advanced Autonomy Solutions

- Unmanned Surface Vessel Autonomy
- Engineering, Manufacturing & Support Services

### **Notable Programs**

- 22 years of supply of REMUS UUVs (REMUS 100, REMUS 300, REMUS 600, REMUS 6000)
- U.S. Navy MK18 UUV and LBS-AUV
- USN Lionfish small UUV
  replacement PoR

- Royal Navy Hunt+ upgrade for the UUV requirement
- Mainstay of many of the worlds Navies' UUV needs



### From Autonomy – Interoperable Autonomy



- True autonomous systems have now been around for more than a generation: REMUS 1998
- "Trusted Autonomy" is more than a buzz word today: UAVs, USVs, UUVs, cars, trains, machines across defense, oil & gas, manufacture, mining, construction, travel and other industries all utilize and have begun to rely on autonomous capabilities
- Application of AI & machine learning is now widespread

### Can my autonomy play with your autonomy?

- Different vehicles
- Different payloads
- Different mission software
- Different sensors
- Different "levels of autonomy"





### The Use of Open Architecture UUVs & Mission Management Systems

- Open architecture allows easier integration of third-party payloads and software
- Allows for a common systems with the right tool for the right mission
- Common modularity across platforms
- Multi-mission flexible platforms with rapid payload replacement
- End user-developed custom payloads for classified operations
- Energy module configuration to meet mission profile
- Flexible launch and recovery options





# **Key Essential Characteristics**

### What do interoperable systems look like?

- Common governance
- Common design architecture
- Open audit and assessment of systems for compliance to agreed standards
- Cross domain (surface & underwater (& air)) operation





# Easier said than done?



## Need to avoid "vendor lock"

- Avoid reliance on single manufacturer proprietary autonomy sw / mission management systems
- Need ability for autonomous platforms to allow both "front" and "back seat" driving by different autonomy softwares to achieve optimum mission goals using shared systems
- Requires portability of capabilities across platforms
  - Requires willingness by manufacturers to modify existing hardware & software
  - Puts risk on manufacturers IP and incurs costs
- Requires lead by governments using international collaboration for funded development of autonomy structures: MAPLE is a good example







# Cross Allied Cooperation within UUV Missions

# **REMUS Military Customer Base**

### Include but not exclusive:

- Royal Norwegian Navy
- Finnish Navy
- Swedish Navy
- South African Navy
- Brazilian Navy
- Croatian Navy
- Irish Navy
- Bulgarian Navy
- Thailand Navy
- Canadian Navy
- Royal Australian Navy
- United States Navy
- Japanese Navy

- Singapore Navy
- Royal New Zealand Navy
- Ukraine Navy
- Oman Navy
- German Navy
- Royal Netherlands Navy
- UK Ministry of Defence
- NATO CMRE
- Belgian Defence
- Italian Navy
- Estonian Navy
- Romanian Navy
- Latvian Navy







# Collaborative UUV missions – now a real fact

- The US Navy (USN), Royal Navy (RN) and Royal Netherlands Navy (RNLN) successfully executed a multi-national REMUS / SeeByte Neptune autonomy mission to conduct in-stride SCM and dynamic RI on real-time ATR detected targets as a collaborative squad at REPMUS 23
- This is the first time "operational" units from multiple nations have executed a collaborative in-stride Search-Classify-Map (SCM) and dynamic Reacquisition-Identification (RI) autonomy mission.
- Uncrewed maritime systems used: US : Neptune enabled MK18 MOD2 UK : Neptune enabled REMUS 100 (Marine Sonics SSS) Netherlands : Neptune enabled REMUS 100 (Kraken SAS)





# Common Security for Common Platforms

- The use of multiple autonomous assets owned and operated by multiple partnered forces gives rise to the need for common security standards and protocols to protect mission & sensor data from falling into enemy hands or allowing enemy interdiction of autonomous assets on mission.
- All data stored on the asset (sensor data and vehicle mission data) needs encryption - DATA AT REST
- Likewise, any command and control data (RF, WIFI, Satellite & Acoustic) needs the ability to be encrypted – DATA IN TRANSIT
- Historically, partnered forces may have selected different encryption protocols and systems to provide this capability.

# HII now provide the capability to provide REMUS to allied navies with common encryption systems.







# In latest generation of all REMUS vehicles

- Now fully modular for batteries and payloads
- Open software and hardware architecture
- Cybersecurity
- Hardware and software developer kits



# Cross platform / cross navy encryption of data

- HII REMUS vehicles can support full cyber compliance:
- Full encryption of data "in-transit" & "at rest"
  - All C2 commands acoustic, RF etc are encrypted ("In-transit" data)
  - All vehicle mission data is encrypted
  - All acquired sensor data is encrypted ("at-rest" data)
- Encryption of data "at-rest" only
  - Subject to USN to Gov approval, partner nations can access this same encryption

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REMUS 620 – internal payload bay #2 for encryption module

### Torpedo Tube L&R of REMUS 600 UUV

- Dec 2023 the crew of the USS Delaware (SSN 791) completed the first end-toend submarine torpedo tube launch and recovery of a REMUS medium unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV).
- "The Yellow Moray system will provide the U.S. submarine force with additional mission capability, enhancing what the U.S. Navy's submarines can provide"
- Unaided, end to end torpedo tube launch and recovery is a critical enabling technology for achieving routine deployment of UUVs from submarines. The possibilities are endless!
- This success also highlights the versatility of the modular, open architecture <u>HII</u> REMUS UUV platform.





# **Odyssey™**

### Advanced Autonomy Solutions

### Transform any vehicle into an intelligent robotic platform.

Delivered from a variety of vehicle, module and algorithm-level implementations across platforms, sensors, payloads and missions, Odyssey<sup>™</sup> enables multi-vehicle collaborative autonomy, sensor fusion and advanced perception.

Advanced, intelligent autonomy solutions for platforms in any domain.









**Odyssey Teams** Multi-vehicle, collaborative autonomy



**Odyssey Vision** Perception and sensor fusion integration



**Odyssey Health** Advanced autonomous health monitoring



**Odyssey Mission** Intuitive command and control interface



**Odyssey Commander** Enhanced mission manager for complex operations



**Odyssey Bridge** Safe navigation on manned platforms



# 44 ADVANCED AUTONOMY SOLUTIONS

Applications for advanced behaviors and complex, collaborative, cross-domain operations



### **Odyssey Teams**

Multi-vehicle, collaborative autonomy

- Shared situational awareness across platforms
- Simultaneous, multiple platform control
- Cross-domain collaboration
- Collaborative task allocation, route planning, decisionmaking
- Elastic self-healing to manage individual platform loss
- Swarm operations



### **Odyssey Vision**

Perception and sensor fusion integration

- Tailored sensor suite
- Fused perception across variety of sensors and payloads
- Enhanced situational awareness, dynamic target detection, obstacle avoidance, and optimal navigation



### **Odyssey Health**

#### Advanced autonomous health monitoring

- Summary view of platform health status
- Resource usage prioritization and autonomously redistributed tasks to maximize performance
- Component degradation predictions and preventive maintenance recommendations



### **Odyssey Mission**

#### Intuitive command and control interface

- Advanced, intuitive user interface
- Sophisticated mission planning, monitoring, and post mission planning
- Simultaneous multi-vehicle control
- Cloud or Server based

### **Odyssey Commander**

#### Enhanced mission manager for complex operations

- Mission, progress, and platform status monitoring
- Adaptive resource management
- Priority-based in-stride mission planning and adjustments
- Autonomous transmission of execution commands to other autonomy modules and platforms

### **Odyssey Bridge**

#### Safe navigation on manned platforms

- Enhanced situational awareness and decision-making
- Improved human cognitive performance
- Seamlessly balanced efficient transits, hazard and collision avoidance, and time on target



















### Odyssey USV Software and Hardware

#### Odyssey USV Autonomy Odyssey Vision **USV Vehicle Operations** • Sensor interfaces and data processing Sensor Fusion • Interfaces for Engines, Track Correlation Situational Auxiliaries, Power, Remote **GPS Saab** Awareness Odyssey MGL-5 Control, E-Stop IMU? Odyssey Commander Autonomous Mission IO NXT FU Management Radar Furuno ◄► Mission execution and DRS4D-NXT Rugged Router schedulina **USV Sensors and PNT** Single-vessel behaviors **Network Switch** Getac Laptop Cisco IE-3400 (Odyssey Mission) Kongsberg Kongsberg **MBR 144** Odvssev Teams **MBR 179** Interfaces for radar, AIS, PNT, $\leftrightarrow$ AIS Saab R5 Multi-vehicle collaborative weather, EO/IR autonomy and behaviors Kvaser CAN Serial to Ethernet to Ethernet Ethernet Serial ODYSSEY . CAN Odyssey Health **TeleRadio Tiger G2** G2 Receiver RF E-Stop Controller Health monitoring Fault detection & Mitigation Depth **USV** Payload Airma TM-260 Advanced diagnostics and prognostics CZone COI Propulsion Interfaces for payloads which Power Interface via HJ XCIU $\leftarrow$ can also be linked to Odyssey **Odyssey Mission** Mission C2 Station • Pre-Mission checkout & ←> setup Mission rehearsal Mission planning &

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