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Off-the-shelf goods and services

As a Commonwealth agency, DST accesses government standing offer panels and also approaches the market by advertising contract opportunities through AusTender: austender.gov.au

Standing offer panel

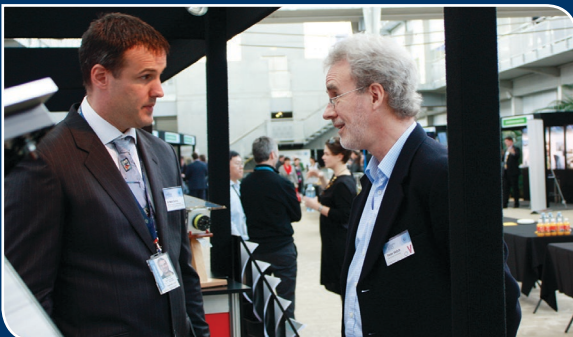
A Research, Scientific, Engineering and Other Technical (ReSET) Services Standing Offer Panel provides DST with access to over 100 companies (many small to medium enterprises) in 22 skill sets to support the breadth of our research activities.

Opportunities for inclusion on the Research, Scientific, Engineering and Other Technical Services Standing Offer Panel (SON2901652) are advertised through AusTender: austender.gov.au.

Have you got a new and exciting idea?

The Department of Defence welcomes your innovative ideas, no matter how big or small.

For further information phone **13 28 46** or visit the Defence Innovation portal, the entry point for Defence innovation: www.business.gov.au/cdic



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Doing business with DST

Defence Science and Technology (DST) is committed to strong partnerships with industry, universities and research agencies to deliver world-leading science, technology, knowledge and innovation for Australia's defence and national security.



Ways you can work with DST

Joint R&D

DST is interested in collaborating with innovative companies on projects of mutual interest.

Industry Alliances

DST enters into long-term strategic alliances to conduct multi-faceted collaborative research programs with industry partners who:

- ▶ have a demonstrated R&D capability and the ability to deliver technology based solutions to Defence;
- ▶ have the ability and willingness to share risk and have a demonstrated commitment to Australia; and
- ▶ will fund their own contribution to the collaborative program.

Commercialisation

Through Technology PitchFest events held at major Australian defence industry conferences, DST showcases its commercialisation and partnering opportunities for take-up by industry.

In addition, DST lists its commercialisation opportunities on the DST website:

www.dst.defence.gov.au/partner-with-us/access-our-technology



Making it easier to do business

Partnering with universities

All DST's engagement with universities is undertaken under the Defence Science Partnerships program. This program provides a common pre-agreed framework under which Australian universities can work with DST. It provides for all types of engagement including contract and collaborative research, post-graduate student projects and the sharing of facilities.

Next Generation Technologies Fund

DST leads the \$730 million Next Generation Technologies Fund established to develop game-changing capabilities in collaboration with industry and academia. A number of programs are covered under the Next Generation Technologies Fund, such as Grand Challenges and university research networks. Opportunities to participate in these programs are advertised through the Defence Innovation Portal:

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Intellectual property

In most cases, DST's industry or university partner will own the IP resulting from joint research. This approach encourages investment and recognises that the industry partner is best placed to exploit the IP and deliver capability to Defence. Defence can access the IP without owning it.

Liability and indemnity – keeping it simple!

Often an area of contention that inhibits joint research, DST has a pragmatic and flexible approach to liability and indemnity which recognises the risks and costs involved by industry in pursuing novel and innovative technology solutions.

Plain language agreements

DST has established a series of plain language agreement templates that enable the rapid establishment of business arrangements. In some instances, these templates have reduced the average time for establishing research agreements by two thirds.