**Joint Security and Resilience Centre (JSaRC)**

**Challenge Project Briefing**

**16 December 2016**

**Introduction**

The UK’s security and resilience is reliant on the partnership between Government and the security sector, which provides Government with the technologies, processes and services with which to deliver national security. In today’s fast-evolving threat environment there is a need to combine the complementary capabilities of Government and the security sector, which includes industry and academia, to formulate rapid and effective responses.

**Challenge Project Call Requirements**Following the workshop held on Wednesday 7 December, JSaRC recognises that suppliers will have identified a number of strategic and tactical barriers which inhibit the security sector driving forward innovative offerings. The Challenge Project call has been designed to capture these with the intent to then develop project work against proposed solutions.

The initial target will be for up to 10 projects in total with the individual project size at around £25-£50k each.

The project(s) must match the JSaRC objectives and provide demonstrable effort towards at least one of the following:

**1. Deliver a joint response to the UK’s national security challenges**

The project must be able to demonstrate clearly either through a proof of concept, white paper or other means, that a workable solution or answer to this problem is achievable within the timescales and budget. This can be a product, solution or theoretical concept which can be taken further to fruition.

**2. Drive the delivery of the right solutions**

The solution proposed must be clearly identifiable as having the potential to address a problem, with a clear relationship to the security threat environment and a stated mechanism as to how the proposal will reduce the threat.

**3. Growth of this sector**

The project must identify how it can be best utilised and exploited in order to provide a foundation for growth within the security sector market.

**Important Note:**

Whilst *this* call is looking to fund up to 10 projects in the financial year, this is also an opportunity to allow you to put your thoughts to JSaRC on what issues you believe should be addressed going forward.

You can indicate at the top of your submission whether you are submitting for a funded project, or you have an area that you would like JSaRC to focus on in the future.

Some submissions will be funded in this financial year, some submissions may be corralled together with a view to creating a project in the future, and some submissions may be used as our evidence base for ‘business as usual’ activity for JSaRC.

We will endeavour to provide feedback on all submissions.

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**Supplier Response**

All completed forms should be emailed to [JSaRC@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:JSaRC@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk), placing **JSaRC Innovation Call Response** in the subject line by midnight on Sunday 22nd January 2017

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| **Organisation / Consortium Name** |  |
| **Organisation / Consortium Area of Specialism** |  |
| **Contact Name** |  |
| **Contact Position** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
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**Q. Are you proposing a project for financing? Yes / No (delete as applicable)**

**If Yes, fill all boxes. If No, use summary information box for free text submission**

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| **Identify the challenge to UK security and resilience that this idea relates to, noting any direct correlation to security threats:** |
| *This response should identify the challenge to UK security and resilience that this idea relates to, noting any direct correlation to security threats.* |
| Max 200 words |

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| **Criteria** | **Total no of points available** | **Breakdown** | |
| **Summary of the challenge to UK security and resilience that this idea relates to.** | 20 | 0% | No evidence of UK security threat and how the response aligns to the threat |
| 25% | Limited evidence of UK security threat and how the response aligns to the threat |
| 50% | Sufficient evidence of UK security threat and how the response aligns to the threat |
|  |  | 75% | Good evidence of UK security threat and how the response aligns to the threat |
|  |  | 100% | Very good evidence of how the response aligns to a UK security threat |

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| **Summary information of the idea and proposed solution :** |
| *This response should evidence how well this fits to JSaRC objectives:*  *1.**Deliver a joint response to the UK’s national security challenges*  *2.**Drive the delivery of the right solutions*  *3. Growth of this sector*  *The response should include detail of how these are met with the solution / proposal.* |
| Max 400 words |

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| **Criteria** | **Total no of points available** | **Breakdown** | |
| **The response must align to the JSaRC objectives.** | 30 | 0% | No evidence to show alignment to JSaRC’s objectives |
| 25% | Limited evidence to show alignment to some of JSaRC’s objectives |
| 50% | Sufficient evidence to show alignment to some of JSaRC’s objectives |
| 75% | Good evidence to show alignment to some of JSaRC’s objectives |
| 100% | Very good evidence to show alignment to all of JSaRC’s objectives |

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| **Identify the specific security risks, security threats & time frames of these happening and consequences of inaction:** |
| *This response should evidence your understanding of the security risks, security threats & time frames of these happening and consequences of inaction.* |
| Max 200 words |

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| **Criteria** | **Total no of points available** | **Breakdown** | |
| **Identify the specific security risks, security threats & time frames of these happening and consequences of inaction:** | 10 | 0% | No evidence of understanding |
| 25% | Limited evidence of understanding |
| 50% | Sufficient evidence of understanding |
| 75% | Good evidence of understanding |
| 100% | Very good evidence of understanding |

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| **What are the benefits of progressing with this idea:** |
| *The response should evidence delivery that will benefit both government and industry / academia. It should also evidence opportunities for growth of the whole sector within the UK or internationally.* |
| Max 200 words |

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| **Criteria** | **Total no of points available** | **Breakdown** | |
| **The delivery of the response will benefit both government and industry or academia.** | 30 | 0% | No evidence of benefit |
| 25% | Limited evidence of benefit |
| 50% | Sufficient evidence of benefit |
| 75% | Good evidence of benefit |
| 100% | Very good evidence of benefit |

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| **Identify the deliverable/milestones and payment options:** |
| *The response should evidence how the deliverables will be realised by the security sector and the achievability milestones and timescale.* |
| Max 100 words |

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| **Criteria** | **Total no of points available** | **Breakdown** | |
| **The solution or proposal is achievable within the stated timescale.** | 10 | 0% | No evidence of timescale / planning included in response |
| 25% | Limited evidence of timescale / planning included in response |
| 50% | Sufficient evidence of timescale / planning included in response |
| 75% | Good evidence of timescale / planning included in response |
| 100% | Very good evidence of timescale / planning included in response |

**Challenge Project Response Guidance**

**Points to note in your submission:**

* Organisations / consortiums may submit more than one proposal.
* Ensure this response aligns to the JSaRC objectives:

1.Deliver a joint response to the UK’s national security challenges

2.Drive the delivery of the right solutions

3. Growth of this sector

* If this solution or proposal been offered or used elsewhere, please specify any detail.
* All projects should conclude within nine months or less, from funding being awarded, this doesn’t exclude further roll on projects being awarded next year.
* Response should be achievable within the identified costs as defined in the proposal submissions.
* Proposals are welcomed which address:
  1. Specific technologies
  2. New ways of working
  3. Adaptation or review of processes
  4. Proposals for novel concepts
  5. Gathering of evidence to highlight perceived weaknesses in the way government currently supports the security sector

(All proposals must achieve JSaRC objectives as above.)

* All completed forms should be emailed to [JSaRC@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:JSaRC@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk), placing **JSaRC Challenge Project Response** in the subject line as early as possible or at the latest, by midnight on Sunday 22nd January 2017.
* An email acknowledgement will be sent in response to receipt of completed forms.
* All decisions made in respect of shortlisting and funding are final.
* Timelines for shortlisting and funding:
  1. The formal call for proposals will be sent on 16th December 2016 and reiterated in early January 2017
  2. Responses are required by midnight Sunday 22nd January
  3. Funding awards will be made by the end of March 2017
  4. Feedback will be provided following awards