



# ARMY FUTURES COMMAND-DEVCOM FORWARD ELEMENT (AFC-DFE) ATLANTIC

How to work with U.S. Army & DoD

2024

AFC-DFE ATL | COL CHARLES SEABERRY

## WHAT WE DO



- Enable cost sharing
- Enhance capacity
- Foster interoperability
- Promote innovation
- Build trust



## "Don't ditch soldiers for machines, combine them"

- GEN Rainey, Commanding General, U.S. Army Futures Command

# INTERNATIONAL POSTURE



#### **MISSION**

Drive international defense innovation by cultivating S&T partnerships, ensuring seamless ally integration, and nurturing foundational and progressive research.

#### **VISION**

Surpassing the pinnacle of global defense through breakthrough innovations and elite strategic alliances.

#### **DIRECTOR'S INTENT**

Foster global partnerships, Drive Innovation, and Scout cutting-edge technology.

#### **END STATE**

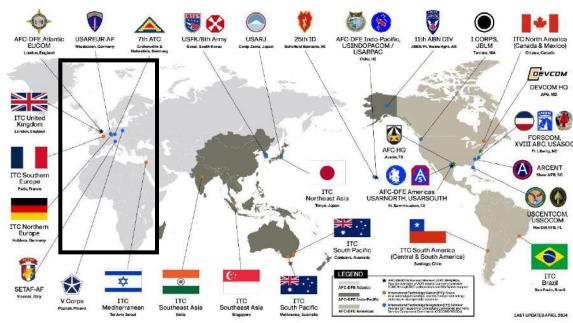
Establishing a culture of continuous innovation.

#### **PEOPLE**

Covering the globe with 65 DFE employees in 26 locations with the direct support of 46 DEVCOM employees in HQs and DEVCOM Centers/ARL.

Supported by approx. 300 DEVCOM Center/ ARL SMEs lending their expertise to over 250 International Cooperative Activities

#### LOCATIONS



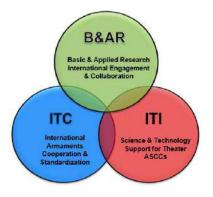
#### PROXIMITY BUILDS TRUST, TRUST BUILDS COLLABORATION

- Bringing the global ecosystem to bear on delivering capability for modernization
- Maintaining tech awareness and choosing partners for essential collaboration
- Remain geopolitical "partner of choice"
- "Boots on the ground" providing linkage to Centers/ARL
- Facilitate soldier touch points to shape technology and buy down risk

**Enabling Army Modernization Around the World with Our Service Components, Allies and Partners** 

## **ORGANIZATION**







**COL Charles Seaberry Director** London, England



Mr. Patrick Badar **Deputy Director** London, England







Co-located with USACE, USN, and USAF International Research Offices in London, UK

#### **Basic & Applied** Research (BAR)



Dr. Jonathan Brame B&AR Lead Scientist London, England



Vacant **B&AR Scientist** 

- · Identify and execute the award of Army relevant extramural basic and applied research overseas
- Provide support to Technology/ Scientific Conferences
- Hosting ARO Forward presence

#### **International Technology Centers (ITC)**



LTC Robert







Link to Industry Overseas



LTC Erik Quiralte

DIR. ITC Southern Europe



Europe Mr. Alex

DIR. ITC

Northern

LTC Ben

Hormann





COL Mike Fleming DIR. ITC Mediterranean



#### **International Technology Integrators (ITI)**



LTC Kevin Smith

Director, ITI-Atlantic Wiesbaden, Germany



Diehl

**USAREUR-AF US Army** 

Ruble ITI 7 ATC

**US Army** Europe & Africa

Mr. Forrest

Wiesbaden & Grafenwoehr, Germany



Dr. Hollie Ryan

ITI SETAF-AF Southern European



Vacant ITI V CORPS Fort Knox, KY

Task Force-Africa Vicenza, Italy

Support to ASCC needs / Integrated Priority Lists

- and RFIs to R&D Community ASCC Link to DEVCOM Centers/Lab
- ASCC Link to Acquisition Enterprise
- ASCC Link to REF and RCCTO
- ASCC Link to DoD RDT&E Community
- · Support ASCCs with exercise planning, RFI and Assessments, and insertion of DEVCOM technology



Incoming:

Mullins

**United Kingdom** 

Cawood

Support ESEP Opportunities for DEVCOM Centers/Lab

Facilitate Joint Projects and Exchange of Scientists



Dr. Paul

Sparks Tech DIR, ITC Southern Europe US to Partner Government, Academia, and Industry Collaboration



Europe

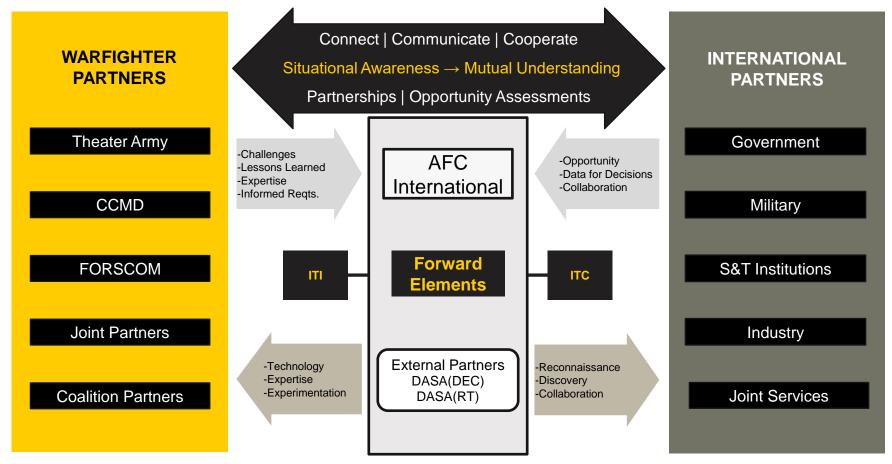




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# **ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY**





- Army Futures Command (AFC)
- Combatant Command (CCMD)
- Deputy Assistant Security of the Army for Defense Exports and Cooperation (DASA(DEC))
- Deputy Assistant Security of the Army for Research & Technology (DASA(RT))
- International Technology Integrator (ITI)
- International Technology Center (ITC)
- Science and Technology (S&T)

# FACILITATE ARMY S&T INVESTMENTS



~\$6.4B annually ARMY RDTE

30K+ Scientist & Engineers > 200 S&T Whitepapers 111
Investments
with
International
Partners

98 of Top 200 Academic Institutions Worldwide

26 Staff in 9 locations

1 Team

#### **Accelerating Development of Critical Technology Areas**



**Biotechnology** 



**Advanced Materials** 



Integrated Network Systems-of-Systems



Future Gen Wireless (FutureG)



Trusted Al & Autonomy



**Space Technology** 



**Quantum Science** 



**Microelectronics** 



Human-Machine Interfaces



Renewable Energy Generation & Storage



Advanced Computing & Software



**Directed Energy** 



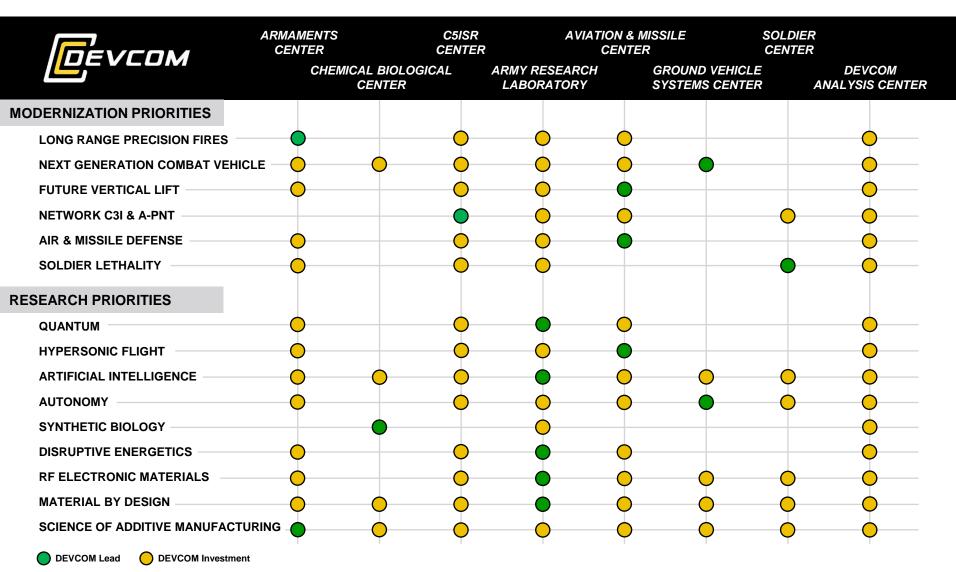
**Hypersonics** 



Integrated Sensing & Cyber

# MODERNIZATION AND RESEARCH PRIORITIES INTEGRATION





# **XTECH INTERNATIONAL 2024**





#### Part 1: Concept White paper January – February

- Eligible entities were invited to submit a short concept white paper and an optional 3-minute video outlining:
- Potential impact/ Revolutionary for DOD
- Technology and Concept Viability
- Commercialization and Potential



#### xTech International Accelerator March – April

- The xTech International Accelerator provides an opportunity for the finalists to receive educational programming and strategic exposure leading up to the finals.
- Provides networking opportunities to help grow their companies for military and commercial users.

#### Part 2: Finalist Pitches May

- Finalists will have an opportunity to conduct an in-person to a panel of DoD and international experts.
- The finals event will occur in May and will consist of a 20-minute pitch followed by a 10minute Q&A session with the panel of judges.



\$500,000 (approx.) in prizes to be awarded

#### **Additional Benefits**

Transparent and Detailed Feedback from Multi-Disciplinary Expert Networking Direct access to DoD and Foreign International Stakeholders















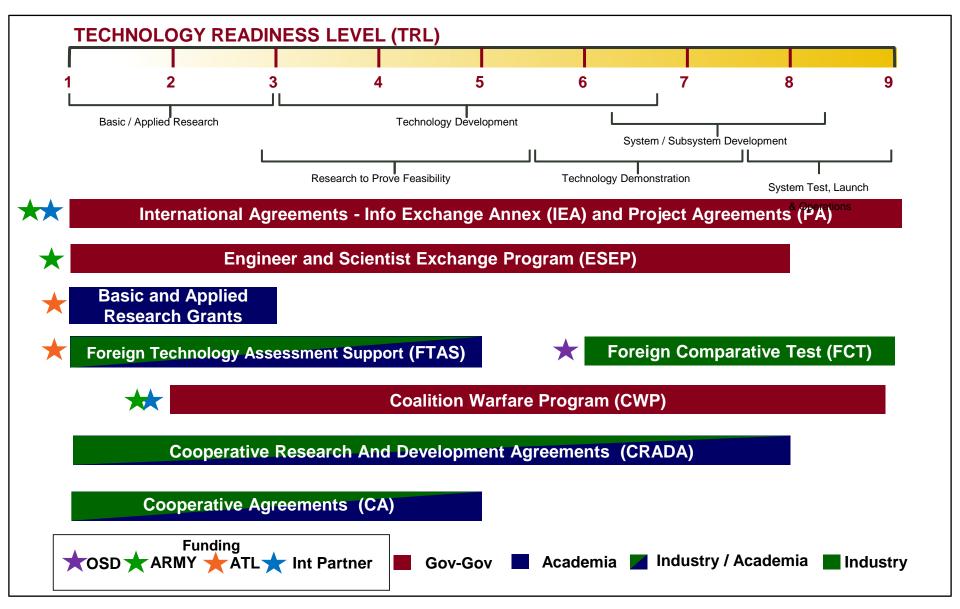


#### **Partner Agencies:**

The Office of the United States Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology (ASA(ALT)), U.S. Army Futures Command (AFC), U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command (DEVCOM), ATL, GVSC, ARL, Soldier Center (SC), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC), U.S. Office of Naval Research Global (ONR-G), U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), NATO Defense Innovation Accelerator North Atlantic (DIANA)

## **COLLABORATION TOOLS**







# THANK YOU.

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