Defense Innovation Board
Winter 2024 Public Meeting – Public Comments
January 26, 2024

- **Feedback/Inquiries on Previous Studies**

  1. How can the DIB lower the barriers to entry for start-ups and small businesses to become part of the DIB ecosystem? – NancyMorgan
  2. I believe attending this meeting can offer numerous benefits in terms of the insights from the leading experts, cutting edge innovations, Policy and Decision-making insights, influencing future policies and thought leadership exposure. I have over 15+ years of experience in public safety and enforcement technologies globally. – Madan Pernati
  3. It's frustrating that individuals representing the Defense Modernization enterprise talk about the various ways companies can enter the ecosystem, but it's aspirational. Realizing that in reality the ecosystem as it exists now doesn't "want" new entrants feels like being gaslit, and it can kill a small business or startup to go through that process. I would argue that straightforwardness even though it's uncomfortable would be better than aspirational invitations. – Emma Bates
  4. Why is this a mandatory field? – Eric Payne
  5. Interested to know how trade sanctions have affected your world – Henry Lee
  6. To address the DOD's needs of special talents, such as AI, I would like to talk to Federal officers about the Innovation renaissance, IEEE New Era Career Fair - AI powered, Workshops, Job fair and exhibit. – Sheree Wen
  7. I'm particularly interested in conversations around government use of publicly- and commercially available information as well as approaches to evaluating and sourcing AI-derived insights. Looking forward to the discussion! – Marguerite Benson
  8. Interested to see what ideas you come up with as the current system is still failing small businesses – Michael Grimes
  9. How does the DOD plan to align incentives to drive faster tech adoption when funds for basic (6.1) and applied (6.2) research programs are consistently cut? – David (Turk) Turkovic
  10. Interested in how I can support studies in allied adoption. – Timothy McGuire
  11. There remains a dearth of cloud-based programming platforms; data collection, analysis, and reporting tools; and access to open-source APIs and libraries (particularly, those that provide machine-learning support) at both the individual user and enterprise levels. From technically curious workers to skilled developers, it is difficult to work with government data within a .mil environment. – Demetrius Davis
  12. I'm moving to the private sector and very interested in how to better bridge the gap between industry and the DoD — especially as it pertains to SaaS and the recent focus on "Software-Defined Warfare" – Luke Shabro

- **New Study Topic Suggestions**

    13. Is the DIB studying the financial support of leading-edge AR tech (i.e. Red6 and others) for training/simulations etc. to support readiness – Ty Gabriel
    14. For 6 years now I have been trying to get someone in the DOD to do a study on a Q&A sequence I have both created and further developed called Repetitive Behavior cellular Regression (RBCR). It is trademarked and is 97% successful in stopping the effects of PTSD, self-sabotage, suicide ideation, and more. I do not have a PhD and therefore both the DOD and NIH won't take a chance on doing a formal study. Please hear me out and possibly support me in getting this amazing product to both the DOD and ultimately the public. Too many suicides are happening to our warriors and veterans. – Amb. Terry Earthwind Nichols
    15. When will US open up for collaboration opportunities for SME in Allied nations? – Arne Norlander
    16. The software community has rejected systems engineering and MBSE, practices and adoption and thus we have almost no major successes here creating delays, cost overruns, interoperability, and workforce challenges. Will AI go the same route or will be bring ISO 15288, INCOSE SE BOK, and Engineering Lifecycle and AI Governance platforms to lower risk and optimize decisions and programs. – Link Parikh
    17. Should supply chains be considered their own domain like land, sea, air, space, cyber in military doctrine? – Matthew Evers
    18. What are your plans for partnering with venture capitalists as one way to continue to bring in innovation to the government? – Katy Nelson

- **DIB Procedure Inquiries**

    19. Our nation's adversaries operate at a pace of necessity, not just relevance or convenience. The DoD operates at a pace of procurement and traditions-based bureaucracy. What needs to change in order to keep pace/outpace our adversaries? How can/should the DIB promote these changes for the DoD? – Zachary Levy
    20. Other than studies and recommendations that have already been made to the DoD, what if anything is the DIB doing to break the log jam of the frozen middle that stifles the implementation of innovative capabilities and process? What recommendations is the DIB making to OSD or Congress to actual hold the services accountable when strategic innovations or process are not adopted at the tactical level (service level)? – Kenneth Anderson
    21. Would love to see what metrics you use for impact when considering these studies/recommendations? How will you know it worked? – Amanda Hawkins
    22. Interested on how the DIB work – Corinne Maloney
    23. What are your proposals to develop cooperation with specialized regional clusters? – Emmanuel Vidal
    24. Can a foreigner close an agreement with the DOD – Antoine Aad

- **Other Comments**

25. Make SBIR grants easier for startups to apply: relevant to them info first, user friendly interface; engage VCs. – Michael Novikov
26. Data products (fabrics, meshes, lakes, warehouses, ponds, puddles, raindrops) are the 25 year proven alternatives-- including full data ops lifecycle for assured trust, safeguarding, security, privacy, resilience https://my.visme.co/view/w49xxorz-owplnm8ok3k72zd6 – Andrew Robinson
27. Interested in learning more about your ongoing work. – Jason Grower
28. NA – Morgan Hitzig
29. n/a – Emily Stowers
30. Non – Michael Baird
31. n/a – Erica Kaster
32. None at this time – Roger Misso
33. None – Eileen Wrubel
34. Looking forward to it! – Tiffany Helling
35. n/a – Melissa Vetterkind
36. none – Vel Preston
37. None – Evandro Valente
38. N/a – Chander Carlson
39. n/a – Adam Goobic
40. N/A – Jesse McKernan
41. No feedback – Jan Silvius
42. n/a – Sofia Monestier
43. Looking forward to attending! – Pratik Chhatbar
44. N/A – Maron Warhaftig
45. I don't have any questions at the moment. – Violet Fredericks
46. Thank you for everything you're doing – Gentry Lane
47. Great work all! – Ty Trippet
48. It will bring a great change – Dingase Daka
49. First timer – Nicholas Tawil
50. None – Dilip Chakravarty
51. No – Marina Hess
52. N/A – Marjory Blumenthal
53. NA – Louis Spina
54. N/A – Alexander Heit
55. N/A – Josh Harder
56. NA – Sharon Eshelman
57. None – Bennie Seybold
58. Great work so far – Conrad Hollomon
59. None – Alexander Masters
60. None – Eric Anderson
61. N/A – Benjamin Sitbon
62. Just want to learn – Samuel Liu

63. None – Justin Freeh
64. I don't have any at the moment – Glenn Marshall
65. None – Justin Fanelli
66. Looking forward to the discussion – Maria Proestou
67. N/A – Phaedra Chrousos
68. N/A – Wesley Hallman
69. n/a – Gaogao Yu
70. Thank you for the invitation. – Todd Einck
71. None – Margaux Hoar
72. I haven't reviewed the material yet – Trish Martinelli
73. None at this time – Elyse Jayson
74. N/A – Courtney Albon
75. N/A – Georgina DiNardo
76. N/A – Matthew Dodd
77. Looking forward to it. – Elizabeth Onasanya