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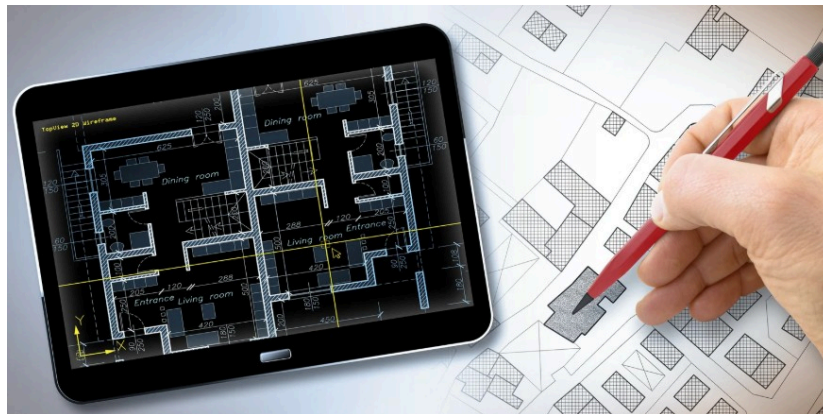
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Dept of Defence - 2025 Strategic Policy Grants Program



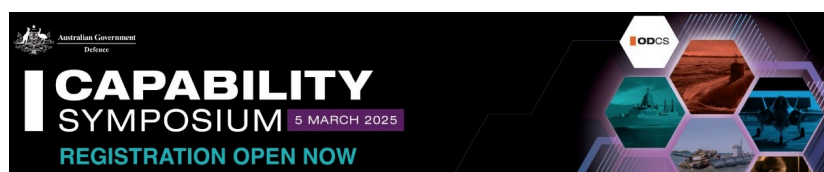
Applications are open for the Department of Defence 2025 Strategic Policy Grants Program, closing **28 February 2025**.

Grants of generally up to \$500,000 over three years, are available for independent, unclassified, strategic policy-focused research and related activities; including conferences, dialogues, seminars, education modules, roundtables, and scenario exercises.

Applicants must hold an ABN OR be an overseas organisation collaborating with an Australian think tank or academic institute.

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2025 Defence Capability Symposium - 5 March 2025



Air Marshal Robert Chipman AO CSC, Vice Chief of the Defence Force (VCDF) and Air Vice Marshal Wendy Blyth, AM, Head Force Design (HFD) will communicate their shared strategic direction, expectations and priorities for the year ahead in Defence capability.

The Symposium will also deliver in-depth analysis of evolving capability matters and insights on the systemic changes being implemented through the in-flight One Defence Capability System (ODCS) reform.

 Department of Defence

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Reminder : Defence Industry Development Grants Program



The Defence Industry Development Grants Program will provide over \$150 million over four years dedicated to supporting Australian small to medium-sized business in areas of sovereign industrial priorities, exports, skilling and national security.

The closing dates for the current batches are:

- Sovereign Industrial Priorities stream - Friday 28 February 2025, 11:59 pm (AEDT).
- Security stream - Friday 28 February 2025, 11:59 pm (AEDT).

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Propel-Air AI and Robotics Sprint



Applications are open for Propel-Air, Australia's first AI and robotics sprint, closing **30 May 2025**.

If you're an Australian robotics company using AI and have a minimum viable product, this is an opportunity to take your business global.

Propel-AIR is designed to fast-track success for startups and scaleups using AI to develop robotic solutions for industry challenges.

Over six weeks, 10 companies have the chance to work with leading tech, including products from NVIDIA, and access information from business experts.

The winner spends four weeks at MassRobotics in Boston, USA.

Propel-AIR is run by the @ARM Hub AI Adopt Centre.

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Dept of Industry, Science & Resources - Critical Technologies Program - Round 2



Round 2 of the Critical Technologies Challenge Program will open for applications 15 January 2025, closing **26 February 2025**.

\$100,000 - \$500,000 is available for Stage 1 Feasibility projects of up to 6 months duration. These projects are to test and demonstrate the technical viability of proposed challenge solutions/solution components.

Consortia must include at least one Australian industry based organisation and one Australian research organisation.

Funding is to be used to develop quantum technology solutions or a component(s) that contribute to a solution to one of the market-led challenges. Solutions may also involve the use of other advanced technologies.

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Australian Space Agency - Request for Information - SSA Capabilities for Launch and Return Support in Australia



The [Australian Space Agency](#) is seeking to further understand Space Situational Awareness (SSA) capabilities provided by industry that can the safety and success of both launch and return operations within Australian areas of responsibility.

With a rapidly growing space industry, Australia is poised to be a desired location for both commercial launches and re-entry services, serving both domestic and international parties.

The Agency is encouraging industry experts to provide their valuable insights on how these services can provide tracking, monitoring, and risk management required for safe and sustainable space launches and returns to Australia. By gaining an understanding of available SSA capabilities, the Agency can better understand how a secure foundation of capability and infrastructure would ensure reliable and globally competitive capability to support launch and returns activities.

The Agency is interested in mature capabilities that can be trialled in concert with launch or return events, particularly capabilities at TRL 6 or higher (ie technology/capability has been tested and verified in an operational or operational-like environment).

Responses are due **28 February 2025** via AusTender Ref: [ATM_2024_0983](#).

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Global Victoria - USA Cybersecurity Trade Program 2025



Global Victoria's USA Cybersecurity Trade Program provides support for Victorian cybersecurity companies to develop markets in the USA.

The program provides

- an attendance pass for a US market conference/trade event
- access to a USA-based industry consultant to provide market entry and business development assistance
- 1 year of membership to a relevant industry or geography-based USA association

along with other activities.

Up to 5 participating companies will also be supported to be part of the [AusTrade 2025 RSA Conference](#) program in April.

Applications close **9 February 2025**.

 Global Victoria

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Global Victoria - USA Cybersecurity Trade Program 2025 - Seminar Series



Global Victoria and its USA Victorian Government Trade & Investment (VGTI) offices, invites you to attend its four-part US Cybersecurity Webinar Series aimed at enhancing Victorian cybersecurity companies' knowledge and engagement with the US market.

Gain valuable insight into current themes and issues in US cybersecurity and practical tips for market entry and expansion from US and Australian experts across

- **Webinar 1: Cybersecurity in the USA - Introduction to the US Market**
- **Date:** Thursday 13 February
- **Time:** 9:00am - 10:00am (AEDT)

- **Webinar 2: Defense-in-depth | US-Victoria Forum**
- **Date:** Wednesday 26 February
- **Time:** 9:00am - 10:00am (AEDT)

- **Webinar 3: The US Business Perspective - Industry Engagement for Cybersecurity Companies**
- **Date:** Wednesday 26 March
- **Time:** 9:00am - 10:00am (AEDT)

- **Webinar 4: Geographies of Cybersecurity - Exploring US Clusters**
- **Date:** Wednesday 9 April
- **Time:** 9:00am - 10:00am (AEST)

 Global Victoria

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Engineers Australia - International Eminent Speaker Program 2025



International Eminent Speaker Program 2025

Hosted by:

- Engineers Australia
- Australian Society for Defence Engineering
- ROYAL AERONAUTICAL SOCIETY AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

Sponsored by:

- RMIT
- University of Melbourne
- Defence Science Institute
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26th March – Melbourne (In Person Only)
27th March – Sydney (In Person and Online)

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The Joint Board for Aerospace Engineering of Engineers Australia (EA) and the Royal Aeronautical Society Australian Division (RAeS) is pleased to present Dr Fayette Collier to present as this years International Eminent Speaker.

Dr Collier, Associate Director for Flight Strategy - Integrated Systems Program, NASA Aeronautics and Chief Engineer, Department of Defense Blended Wing Body Flight Project, will speak on *Blended Wing Body Aircraft – Transforming the Future of Aviation*.

Melbourne

- **26 March 2025** from 5:30 pm
- Engineers Australia, Level 31, 600 Bourke St, Melbourne

Sydney (including online option)

- **27 March 2025** from 5:30 pm
- Engineers Australia, Mezzanine Level, 44 Market St, Sydney

 Engineers Australia

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Other Opportunities



[CSIRO Industry PhD Program Information Webinar - 7 February 2025](#)

[ONI - National Intelligence Postdoctoral Grants - GO7318 closing 21 Feb 2025](#)

[76th International Astronautical Congress, Sydney - Call for Papers, closing 28 February 2025.](#)

[@AuManufacturing - 50 Most Innovative Manufacturers - Nominations Open until 8 March 2025](#)

[Australian Army Journal Submissions by 24 March 2025](#)

[2025 iAwards - Entries Close 4 April 2025](#)

[2025 Aeromed Conference - 24-26 September 2025 - Call for Abstracts, closing late March 2025](#)

[BSides Ballarat - 3 May 2025 - Call for Speakers](#)

[AIAA - Student Design Competitions, early registration closes 7 February 2025, with final proposals due 16 May 2025.](#)

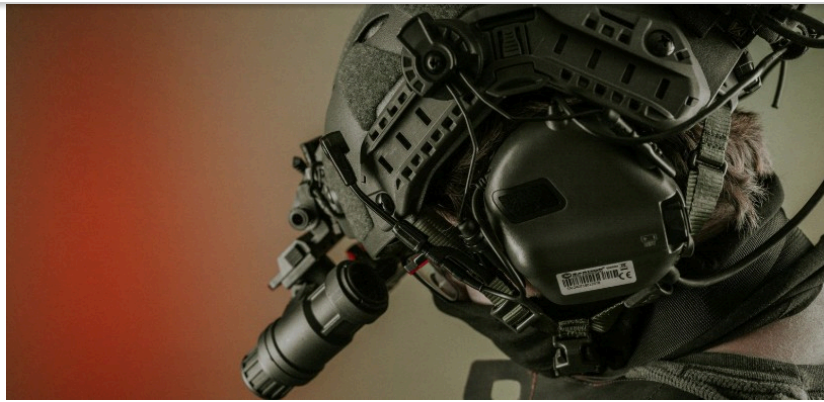
[Australian Digital Defence Industry Matrix](#)

[Dept Industry, Science and Resources - Industry Growth Program](#)

[Dept Industry, Science and Resources - Concessions on Goods for Space Projects](#)

[Dept of Industry, Science and Resources - Software-Related Activities and R&D Tax Incentive](#)

Defence - International Opportunities



DARPA - Higher-Order Composite Resonators for Extra resilience (HORCREX) - DARPA-PA-24-05

Proposals are due **14 February 2025**.

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DARPA - BioElectronics to Sense and Treat (BEST) - Proposers Day - 19 February 2025 or 20 Feb 2025 12 Midnight (AEDT)

Non-US citizens must register by **12 February 2025, 4pm (ET) or 13 February 2025, 8am (AEDT)** and submit a [DARPA Form 60](#) (non-Government) or Official Visit Request via the Washington embassy (Government).

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DARPA - Robust Quantum Sensors (RoQs) - DARPA-PS-25-11

Abstracts are compulsory, due **20 February 2025**, with invited full proposals due 31 March 2025.

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DARPA - Request for Information/Feedback - Draft Guide to Formal Methods to Deliver Resilient Systems

Responses are to be submitted by **25 February 2025** via email to DARPA-SN-25-34@darpa.mil.

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DARPA - Request for Information - Techniques and Tools for Vulnerability Assessment of AI-enabled Systems

Responses to this RFI are due **28 February 2025** via email to DARPA-SN-25-28@darpa.mil

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DARPA - Request for Information - Ouija Guest Investigator Opportunity for Ionospheric Discovery

Responses to this RFI are due **28 February 2025** via email to DARPA-SN-25-15@darpa.mil.

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DARPA - Intrinsically Tough and Affordable Ceramics Today (INTACT) - DARPA-PA-24-04-06

Proposals are due **14 March 2025**.

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DARPA - Microsystems Induced CAtalysis (MICA) - HR001125S0007

Abstract proposals (recommended) are due 5 February 2025, with full proposals due **20 March 2025**.

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- [Women in Cyber Security Summit - 6 February 2025 Canberra](#)
- [Avalon Airshow 2025 Industry Preparation Day hosted by VDSN 12 Feb 2025](#)
- [Malware and Reverse Engineering Conference 2025, Melbourne - 3 & 4 March 2025](#)
- [HUMS2025, Melbourne 24-25 March 2025](#)
- [Avalon Airshow 2025, 25-30 March 2025](#)
- [Australian Cyber Summit 2025 - 29 April Sydney](#)
- [BSides Ballarat - 3 May 2025](#)
- [Asia-Pacific International Conference on Additive Manufacturing \(APICAM 2025\) - 30 June - 3 July 2025, Melbourne](#)
- [76th International Astronautical Congress, 29 September - 3 October 2025, Sydney](#)

Current DSI Opportunities

[DSI - APR.Intern : New Defence Internship for Victorian & Tasmanian Companies](#)

[Victorian Defence Industry Scholarships \(Undergraduates\)](#)

[Tasmanian Defence Industry Scholarships \(Undergraduates\)](#)

[Nuclear Powered Submarine Program](#)

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