



UK Defence and Security Innovation and Programmes Mapping

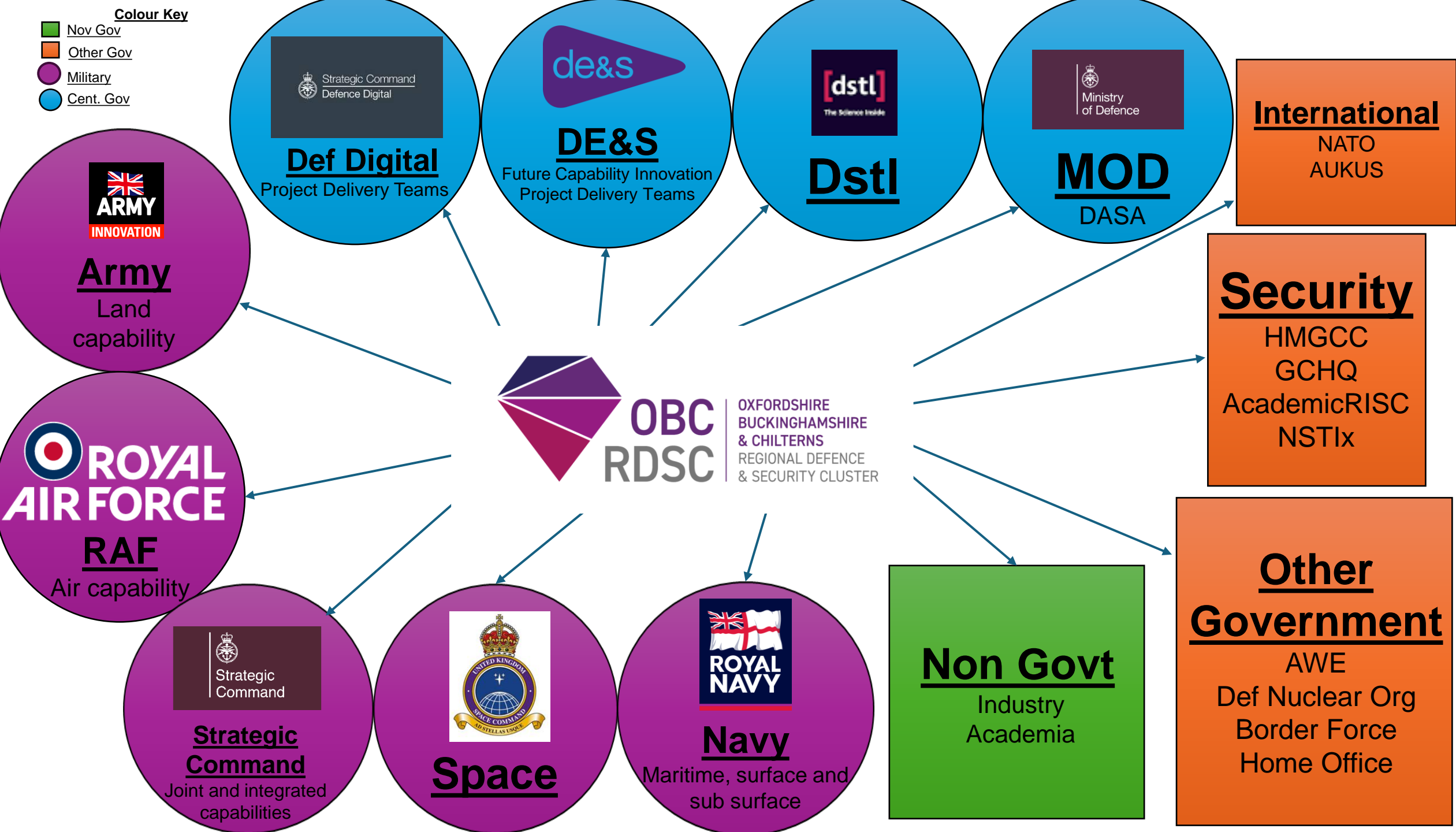
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This is an innovation network map which details the known supply chain available to the OBC RDSC. It includes defence and security organizations both within and outside government. Each section has hyperlinks to supply chain websites where available.

Please do let us know of any suggested additions, omissions, or improvements to: "Innovation Mapping" via info@obcrdsc.co.uk

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British Army



Areas of Capability Interest:

Land Capability
Land Platforms
Uncrewed Ground Platforms
Future Soldier

Departments:

ARMY FUTURES

Innovation

Procurement Mechanism via
Project ARIEL

Website: [Army innovation | The British Army](#)

Experiment

Procurement Mechanism via
Army Warfighting

Experimentation (AWE)

Website [AWE Exp](#) and Via [QinetiQ QinetiQ Security & Defence Contractors](#)

DEFENCE BATTLELAB

Collaboration

No clear procurement
mechanisms

Website: [defencebattlelab](#)



Areas of Capability Interest:

Air Capability
Air Systems
Uncrewed Air Platforms

Departments:

RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE

Role:

No clear procurement mechanisms
No clear website

AIX

Air Information

Experimentation

No clear procurement mechanisms

Website: AIX Staff
(office365.com)

Strategic Command



Areas of Capability Interest:

Joint and Integrated Capability
Digital Systems
Medical Capability
Intelligence and Information Systems
Cyber

Departments:

DEFENCE AI CENTRE (DAIC)

Artificial Intelligence

Procurement Mechanism via Project ARIEL

Website: [Defence Artificial Intelligence Centre - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

JHUB

Innovation

No clear procurement mechanisms
Website: [jHub Defence Innovation - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

COMMERCIAL X

Digital Innovation Solutions

Procurement Mechanism via The Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP)

Website : [Ministry of Defence Commercial - Commercial X - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Neutral Vendor Framework with Constellia

Procurement Mechanism via Website
Website : [Neutral Vendor Framework for Innovation \(NVFi\) - Constellia](https://www.gov.uk)

Space



Areas of Capability Interest:

Space Capability
Satellite Systems

Departments:

UK SPACE COMMAND

Innovation

No clear
procurement
mechanisms
Website: [UK Space
Command | Royal
Air Force \(mod.uk\)](#)
Website: [UK Space
Command - GOV.UK
\(www.gov.uk\)](#)

ASTERIA

Student Satellite Development

Procurement
Mechanism via
website
Website [https://w
ww.asteria-
space.com/](https://www.asteria-space.com/)

SKYNET

MOD's Satellite Communications Capability

Procurement
Mechanism via
SKEC Programme
Website: [SKYNET
6 - GOV.UK](#)
Website : [SKYNET
6 Enduring
Capability \(SKEC\)
Programme -
GOV.UK](#)

ISTARI

Programme Delivery of Defence Satellites

No clear
procurement
mechanisms
No clear website

Royal Navy



Areas of Capability Interest:

Maritime Capability
Above and Below Surface
Systems
Uncrewed Systems

Departments:

NAVY X

Autonomy and Lethality
No clear procurement
mechanisms
Website: Navy X

Areas of Capability Interest:

Land, Air and Maritime
Programmes
Defence Logistics

Departments:

FUTURE CAPABILITY INNOVATION

Futures Lab

No clear procurement
mechanisms

Website: Future Capability
Group - Defence Equipment &
Support (mod.uk)

Website :DE&S Futures Lab -
helping to drive projects
forward - Defence Equipment
& Support (mod.uk)

PROJECT DELIVERY TEAMS

All Projects/Programmes
Procurement Mechanism via
Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP)
Website: Defence Sourcing
Portal (DSP) (mod.uk)

DSTL



Areas of Capability Interest:

Defence Science and Technology Research – low TRL

Departments:

DSTL

S&T portfolio;
Low TRL
Technologies for Defence Applications
Procurement Mechanism via RCloud
Website: R-Cloud: marketplace for defence science and technology research - GOV.UK
(www.gov.uk)

CO-CREATION

In partnership with HMGCC ; Inspiring solutions for national security
No clear procurement mechanisms
Website: HMGCC | Co-Creation

DSTL

C4IR, Space, Simulation
Procurement Mechanism via Serapis Framework Agreement
Website: Serapis framework - GOV.UK
(www.gov.uk)

Searchlight initiative.

Research cloud: engagement with SME's, NTD's and micro-organisations
No clear procurement mechanisms
Email: searchlight@dstl.gov.uk

MOD



Areas of Capability Interest:

All Defence Capability

Departments:

DASA

Defence and Security Accelerator (DASA)

Procurement

Mechanism via DASA apply for funding website

Website: Defence and Security Accelerator - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Website: Apply For Funding - GOV.UK

DEFENCE PROCUREMENT WEBSITES

Website 1: Procurement at MOD - Ministry of Defence - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Website 2: Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP) (mod.uk)

JOSCAR

Website : JOSCAR

Defence Digital



Areas of Capability Interest:

Digital Capabilities
Communications, Information
Systems
ISTAR
Cyber

Departments:

DEFENCE DIGITAL

Digital and Information Technology

No clear procurement
mechanisms

Website: Defence Digital -
GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

International

Areas of Capability Interest:

International Collaboration
NATO
All Major Defence Systems
NATO Industrial Advisory
Group (NIAG)

Departments:

DIANA

Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic

Procurement Mechanism via
Application through
challenges on DIANA-NATO
website.

Website: [DIANA | Home
\(nato.int\)](https://www.nato.int/diana)

Website: [Home \(nato-
diana.org\)](https://www.nato-diana.org)

AUKUS

Collaboration

No clear procurement
mechanisms

Website: no clear website ;
The AUKUS nuclear powered
submarine pathway: a
partnership for the future -
GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Non-Gov

Areas of Capability Interest:

Defence and Security
Contractors/Prime
Academia
All Areas of Capability
Research in Defence Science
and Tech

Departments:

DEFENCE CONTRACTORS

All major systems
Procurement Mechanism via
each company supply chain
Websites specific to each
defence contractor

Security

Areas of Capability Interest:

Security Capabilities, Communications and cyber security, Data analysis and encryption

Departments:

HMGCC

National Security Engineering

Procurement Mechanism via HMGCC Co-creation and National Security Strategic Investment Fund

Website: [HMGCC](#)
Website : [HMGCC | Co-Creation](#)

GCHQ

Intelligence, cyber and security agency with a mission to keep the UK safe

No clear procurement mechanisms

Website : [GCHQ - GCHQ.GOV.UK](#)

NATIONAL CRIME AGENCY

Lead the UK's response, to reduce the impact of serious and organised crime

No clear procurement mechanisms

Website: [Home - National Crime Agency](#)

NSEC

A nationwide community of multi-disciplinary academics addressing the UK's national security and resilience needs, coordinating stakeholders and initiatives to drive cohesion and accelerate collaborations.

No clear procurement mechanisms

Website <https://nsec.uk/>

Other Gov

Areas of Capability Interest:

National security capabilities
UK research and innovation (UKRI)
Nuclear Deterrent, Cyber Security, Secure communications, Innovate UK

Departments:

AWE

National Endeavour to replace the warhead
Procurement Mechanism via AWE website
Website: Supply chain – AWE

Border Force

Procurement Mechanism via Find a Tender Service
Website: Procurement at Home Office - Home Office - GOV.UK
(www.gov.uk)

Home Office

Procurement Mechanism via Find a Tender Service
Website: Procurement at Home Office - Home Office - GOV.UK
(www.gov.uk)

DSIT

S&T Facilities
Procurement Mechanism via DSIT Pipeline register
Website: DSIT pipeline register, April 2024 - GOV.UK
(publishing.service.gov.uk)

Other Gov

Areas of Capability Interest:

National security capabilities
UK research and innovation (UKRI)
Nuclear Deterrent, Cyber Security, Secure Communications, Innovate UK

Departments:

DNO

Mission is to keep safe and capable submarines at sea, maintain our nuclear warheads and deliver the nuclear deterrent to protect national and global security.

Procurement mechanism via Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP)

Website:[Defence Sourcing Portal \(DSP\)](#)

Trade and Support Organisations



ADS Group

**UK trade association
advancing leadership in
aerospace, defence, security
and space, to enable
prosperity and clean, secure
growth for our nation**

Website: [Home - ADS Group](#)

Tech UK

**Brings together
organisations to realise
positive outcomes of what
digital technology achieve**

Website: [The UK's technology
trade association \(techuk.org\)](#)

Make UK Defence

**Champion and support the
UK's innovative and
diverse defence
manufacturers and the
wider defence supply
chain**

Website: [Make UK Defence |
Make UK](#)

Further Information

For further information on other clusters and other procurements, please see the 'Procurement at MOD' page, which includes links to all the regional defence and security clusters:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence/about/procurement>



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