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## PEO USC Portfolio





R&D to close technology gaps or overcome significant technical hurdles:

- Investigate applications of novel technical solutions/approached
- Demonstrate feasibility/viability of new capabilities
- Incremental improvements to existing capabilities
- Solve and mitigate obsolescence issues
- Moderate technical risk, early-stage development
- Potentially game-changing technologies



- Basic research (i.e., research with the primary goal of knowledge creation)
- Analytical or "market" studies of existing technologies or products/services
- Engineering solutions without innovation
- Projects where there is no strong chance of transition success



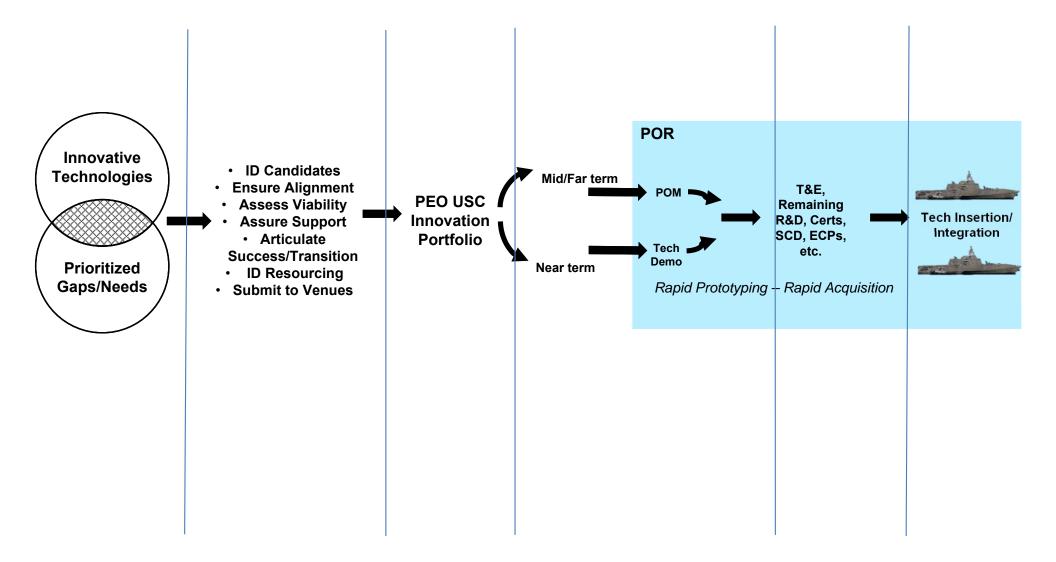
### How to Participate

- Step 1: Determine your firm's eligibility
  - Review complete eligibility requirements in the SBIR Policy Directive <u>Chapter 6: Eligibility</u> and <u>Application (Proposal) Requirements</u>
  - For SBA's Guide to SBIR/STTR Program Eligibility, please search for SBIR Eligibility at <u>https://www.sbir.gov</u>/ (You must use the search function on the top right had side of the page.)
- Step 2: Find a Topic
  - Review the current announcements at <u>https://www.dodsbirsttr.mil</u>/submissions/login to identify topics of interest. Be sure to review both the DoD Announcement Instructions and the agency-specific Instructions.
- Step 3: Participate in the BAA Pre-release
  - During the BAA pre-release period, communication between small businesses and topic authors is highly encouraged.
- Step 4: Prepare Your Proposal
  - All proposals are screened to determine responsiveness with submission requirements published in the DoD SBIR/STTR Program Announcement and instructions. Proposals that do not comply with the requirements are considered non-responsive and are not evaluated. Proposals that do comply with the requirements are evaluated by engineers and/or scientists to determine the most promising technical and scientific approaches.
- Step 5: Submit Proposal
  - All SBIR/STTR proposals must be prepared and submitted electronically through the DoD SBIR/STTR Electronic Submission website at https://www.dodsbirsttr.mil/submissions/ and in accordance with the program announcement.

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### Innovation Process



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## 23.1 PEO USC SBIR Topics

#### N231-035: Automatic Target Recognition (ATR) in Complex Underwater Environments

 Develop adaptive Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning (AI/ML) automatic target recognition (ATR) algorithms to support Autonomous Undersea Vehicle (AUV) operations in complex environments.

#### N231-036: Long-Range Acoustic Communications System

 Develop a long-range service-request system capable of transmitting relayassisted service-request messages in littoral water environments that is robust to doppler effects and provides low-probability-of-detection guarantees for the messaging signal and service-requesting sources.



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#### <u>N231-038: Perceptually Lossless Unmanned Underwater Vehicle (UUV)</u> <u>Sensor Data Compression</u>

 Develop an innovative data compression capability for unmanned vehicle sensor data that can send large amounts of sensor data acoustically and over the horizon using a limited bandwidth.

#### N231-042: Pressure-Tolerant Electronically-Steered Antennas (ESAs) for Satellite Communications

 Develop a electrically steerable, pressure tolerant phased array antennas for use on UUVs with the following RF electrical performance. This will enable closing high data rate communications links with proliferated low earth orbit (PLEO) satellite constellations, enabling transfer of large data file sets to/from the UUVs.

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# N231-048: Signal Processing for Underwater Explosion Detection and Localization

 Develop signal processing techniques to detect an underwater explosion and provide range and bearing information utilizing transducers from a program of record. Also, to include the current transducers that can be used to distinguish between two underwater explosions occurring over a short timescale.

#### N231-055: Centralized Automated Fault Monitoring

 Develop the capability for an automated centralized network fault monitoring for networked equipment. Solution must provide and capture open interfaces to ingest data from Navy Programs of Record (PoRs), Contractor Furnished Equipment (CFE) cross communicate with all network enclaves. Include, monitoring data from devices considered traditional security devices as well as non-traditional components such as Machinery Control systems.

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## 23.A PEO USC STTR Topic

#### N23A-T013: (STTR) Unmanned Underwater Vehicle (UUV) Sensor Data Transformation Tool

• Develop a software tool to transform and create synthetic sensor data from information received by a different sensor.



- The Small Business Administration has several local partners to train and support potential SBIR/STTR applicants.
  - https://www.sbir.gov/local-assistance
- SBIR/STTR solicitations and helpful resources.
  <u>https://sbir.defensebusiness.org</u>
- DoD SBIR/STTR Innovation Portal (DSIP)
  - <u>https://www.dodsbirsttr.mil</u>
- Where to find information about DoN SBIR?
  - <u>https://www.navysbir.com</u>