Background

The 2015 Distributed Common Ground System-Army (DCGS-A) and the Intelligence & Information Warfare Directorate (I2WD) Industry Day, 20 January, is an opportunity for current and potential industry partners to learn about the technologies currently under development within the DCGS-A and I2WD framework. This document does not contain proprietary information, does not fully detail all DCGS-A and I2WD technologies or configurations employed, and should not be considered comprehensive.

Industry Day Location

The 2015 Industry Day will be held in Aberdeen, Maryland, at U.S. Army Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG), Building 6008. Figure 1 contains a map of the building and directions.

(U) Distributed Common Ground System – Army (DCGS-A) and Intelligence & Information Warfare Directorate (I2WD) Industry Day Overview

(U) Figure 1: Map of Aberdeen Proving Ground, Building 6008
Enter post through the 715 Gate from Highway 40
  - No DoD Common Access Card (CAC) identification holders will need to stop at the Visitor’s Center at gate 715 before entering the base to obtain a visitor’s pass

Turn right onto Combat Drive

Follow Combat Drive around the bend
  - Do not make the first left into the complex

Drive to the large parking lot behind the buildings and turn left into the parking lot

Enter the Building 6008 complex at the far end of the parking lot, opposite the main C4ISR complex

Overview

DCGS-A is an evolving program made up of a foundational network, hardware, software, sensors, people, and processes. It is comprised of an extensive network architecture that enables distributed processing and information sharing of data from sensors and other sources across the globe; software tools to help the users perform the analyses, update, and share intelligence products; servers that store data and collected intelligence; and alignment to a set of common standards that enable integration of new technology, processes, and ideas. As technology evolves and new warfighting requirements emerge, the DCGS-A capability set needs to be updated to meet the user needs.

DCGS-A Increment 2 will provide additional capabilities to enhance the Intelligence processing and fusion capabilities across Intelligence domains (Imagery, Human Domain, Weather, etc.) to assist the operational Commanders’ access to information, task organic sensors, and synchronize non-organic sensor assets with their organic assets.

I2WD has established a development and test environment to facilitate integration of new capabilities. This environment is the Tactical Capabilities Innovation Lab (TCIL) which focuses on identifying, integrating, and evaluating relevant capabilities by “bridging” developers, vendors, and solutions with operational users in a government-managed, isolated test environment. Industry partners, internal research and development (IRAD) projects, and other research and development (R&D) efforts work with the TCIL team to integrate capabilities in the lab in order to present new capabilities to end users as part of the user feedback process. This environment will help close the technology gaps that exist in the current system while expediting the ability to meet the needs if analysts in theater.

Registration Information

Please go to: http://www.dcgsevents.com to register for the event and obtain additional information.

The DCGS-A and I2WD Industry Day will begin the morning of 20 January at 0800 with leadership briefings and will commence with Industry One-on-One Sessions where companies will have the opportunity to meet with DCGS-A and I2WD representatives to discuss ideas, provide feedback and ask questions.

There will be NO industry demonstrations.
Please submit an Industry Day Request Form to request a time slot to meet with DCGS-A and I2WD. We will compile all of the request forms sent in by Thursday 15 January 2015 and present to DCGS-A and I2WD leadership prior to the event for review. A government representative will provide a response regarding session approval and date/time/location. Please refer to the Industry Day One-On-One Guidance Document for more information.

Disclaimer

Receipt of this or any DCGS-A or I2WD architecture, design, welcome package, or other documentation or submission of information for the Industry Day does not constitute a guarantee of involvement. This document represents a summary outline and is not a legal binding contract, guarantee of contract, or guarantee of future involvement.

Confidentiality

No product information submitted to the prime contractor or government representative will be disseminated or otherwise shared with competitors or other vendors. Likewise, no information on DCGS-A and I2WD operations or technologies will be shared without the consent of government representatives, the prime contractor, and appropriate non-disclosure agreements (NDA) in place.