



Research and Development TECHNOLOGY ACCELERATOR TEAM



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DLA'S TRANSFORMATION IMPERATIVES



OBJECTIVE

Mission: The J68 Tech Accelerator Team solves critical problems for DLA.

We support: Mission-driven innovation using the most effective tool, process, strategy, or technology.

What we do: Facilitate and execute innovation. This involves identifying and scoping actionable problems as well as building rapid prototypes that transition to the users who need them.

Our Approach: We meet with end-users to identify the root cause of the problem before investing agency resources to solve it.

OUR PRIORITIES



RAPID PROTOTYPES

Build minimum viable products that aim to solve problems across the DLA enterprise.



COMMERCIAL SOLUTIONS OPENING (CSO)

Leverage this solicitation method to bring in traditional vendors via FAR contracts as well as non-traditional vendors via Other Transaction Authority (OTA).



INNOVATION BROKERS

Connect and grow stakeholders across the innovation ecosystem including DLA, DoD, Federal Government, Academia, and Industry.

OUR APPROACH

- Actively gather feedback from end users to gain a deep understanding of their challenges
- Leverage gathered feedback and deep understanding of end user challenges to effectively validate the problems and develop targeted solutions
- Initially, both the problem and potential solutions are uncertain, but through this process of discovery and engagement, the Tech Accelerator Team will validate the problem

ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ONGOING EFFORTS



MARKET INTELLIGENCE

Engaged with 200+ non-traditional companies to analyze capabilities and fit with DLA.



PROTOTYPE SUPPORT

- Awarded 15+ prototype awards since 2019.
- Conducted 30+ events to launch new hardware, software, and / or processes.



DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- Hosted 6 iterations of the DLA Innovation Navigators Course.
- Trained 140+ participants across 18+ orgs in the agency, equipping them with methodologies, tools, and processes for building repeatable processes and driving change.