CLASP
Challenge Led Applied Systems Programme

Introduction
CLASP Energy Call – Information and Networking day 2.7.2013

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Welcome
Why CLASP?

• STFC has a core research programme of c. £170m

• STFC is unique in developing leading edge technologies and processes to fulfil its science objectives

• In addition to scientific advance and highly trained people there is a requirement and a responsibility to
  – Support the opportunities for wealth creation (economic impact)
  – Recognize and value those STFC funded staff who choose to do this

• CLASP aims to do this
CLASP - Basics

• Supports application and commercialisation of STFC research in the 4 challenge areas identified by STFC Futures Programme

• Must demonstrate market need

• Funds short feasibility studies and large developmental projects that use STFC funded research

• £1.5M STFC funding available
  – Universities and STFC labs can apply (industrial partners welcome)
History of CLASP

• CLASP Previous calls
  – Healthcare 2010
    • Sensing, isotope Production, Data Analysis (5 projects)
  – Security 2011
    • Detection, Imaging and X-ray Production (6 projects)
  – Environment 2012
    • Air & water pollution sensing & monitoring (7 projects)

• CLASP 2013 call
  – Energy
CLASP Proposal Assessment

• Looking for:
  1. A realistic prospect of product or service being demonstrated / prototyped within the grant period
  2. Firm evidence of engagement of an exploitation partner / channel to market
  3. Genuine advantage through novelty / intellectual property
  4. An understanding, rationale for and articulation of the ‘size of the prize’

• Not looking for:
  1. Very low TRL
  2. Blue skies research

• This is a competition …..