Defence and Security Futures Programme

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STFC Defence and Security Futures

- Defence and Security is one of five strands in STFC Futures Programme
  - the others being Health, Energy and Environment and Horizon Scanning

- STFC Corporate Strategy/Delivery Plan.

- The aims of STFC Defence and Security Futures:
  - Bring the academic disciplines and technical capabilities of STFC and HEIs to bear on the highest priority problems in national security;
    - Identify and exploit existing technology
    - Cost effective development of new technologies and systems
    - Improve government access to advice and support
  - Promote and facilitate communication and collaboration between STFC, HEIs, government and industry;
  - Strategic approach complements that of other RCs.
Who Are Our Partners?

• Government:
  - Formal collaboration agreements with OSCT, Dstl/MoD
  - Close cooperation with D(Strat. Tech.), CPNI, HOSDB
  - US DHS

• Other Research Councils:
  - Individually and collectively (through the Global Uncertainties Programme)
    • STFC leads CBRNE Weapons and Technologies strand of Global Uncertainties Programme

• Universities:
  - Particularly those with directly relevant infrastructure and/or expertise

• Industry:
  - Prominent equipment manufacturers
Activities like this are important......

• Excellent opportunity for the community to demonstrate the relevance of its expertise.

• We want to see novel and imaginative solutions to real problems
  • IMPACT!

• Don’t hesitate to offer proposals in areas other than those flagged up.

• Don’t hesitate to ask for any form of assistance you think we can offer
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• So, let the intellectual juices flow!

• And a reminder of my e-mail address:

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