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ACQUISITION LIFECYCLE SUPPORT

High-level list of Acquisition activities supported by VISSION-X:

- Publishes acquisition schedules
- Creates Solicitation, RFP, or BAA
- Manages proposal uploads/submissions
- Automates evaluator assignments
- Automates the evaluation process
- Automates Proposal "rack and stack"
- Automates Notifications to proposers
- Automates Debriefing
- Manages Requests for Funds (MIPRs)
- Manages Status Reporting

- Supports Contracting Officer Folders/Tabs
- Manages Contracts Status and Reports
- Project Management Status and Reports
- Technology Transition and Success Stories
- Maintains Library of materials
- Automates System Administration
- Automates Helpdesk
- DoD-compliant Security
- Automates actionable reports
- Program Management Processes

VISSION-X Software Technical Descriptions and Government-approved hosting environment Software as a Service (SaaS) Subscription information (GSA Schedule pricing)





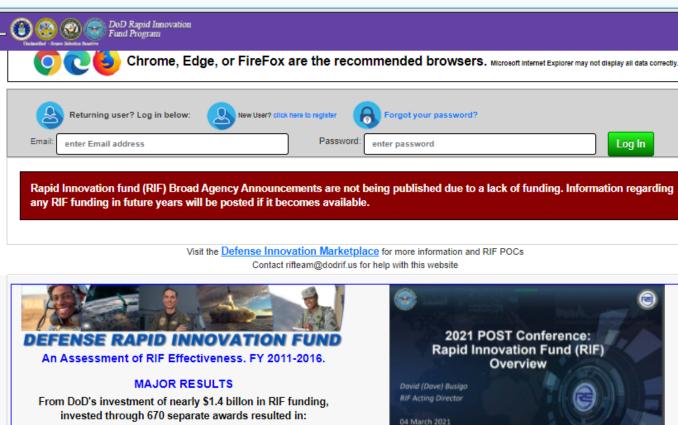
ACQUISITION PROGRAMS

Currently supported by VISSION-X:

DoD Rapid Innovation Fund (RIF) Program

The Rapid Innovation Fund provides a collaborative vehicle for small businesses to provide the department with innovative technologies that can be rapidly inserted into acquisition programs that meet specific defense needs. RIF is administered by the Under Secretary of **Defense for Research and Engineering** (USD(R&E)) Small Business and Technology Partnerships (SBTP).





invested through 670 separate awards resulted in:













Download the 2021 POST Conference RIF Overview

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Download the Assessment of RIF Effectiveness Report DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A. Approved for public release: distribution unlimited.

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ACQUISITION PROGRAMS

Currently supported by VISSION-X:

U. S. Air Force Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Programs

Small businesses or startups can respond to Air Force Broad Agency Announcements (BAA), three times a year. The BAA topics address a critical need identified by the warfighter. Small business proposals are reviewed and awarded SBIR/STTR contracts based on their likelihood to fulfill the identified need.





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The Proposal and Project Management web portal for the Department of the Air Force 88IR/8TTR Program Management Office







Announcements

The Air Force and AFWERX will not be participating in the broader SBIR/STTR 21.3/C solicitation cycle, but will return with many new innovations to the small business programs in early 2022.

READ THE FULL ARTICL

For all SBIR/STTR opportunities visit DSIP website



The color and of the programs used a create person of startups and small desired across technology aleas and markets to semble technological innovation, meet Federal research and development (R&D) needs, and increase commercialization to transition R&D into impact.

We foster and encourage participation in innovation and entrepreneurship by all people, including women, people of color, people with disabilities, and entrepreneurs located in all 50 states and U.S. territories.

Learn About America's Seed Fund





SpaceWERX launch drives AFWERX small business focus on universities and on-orbit capability

As a part of AFWERX, 8paceWERX will play a vital role in pursuing innovative technologies for the United States 8pace Force. The Department's newest innovation arm will create platforms for space operators, lab engineers, and acquisition professionals to collaborate with the brightest minds in academia and industry pursuing novel solutions. Moreover, 8paceWERX will continue to leverage proven AFWERX tools such as the 8BIR Open Toplo, Challenge platform, 8TRATFI initiative, and Prime program.

READ THE FULL ARTICL

About AFWERX

AFWERX, as the innovation arm of the Department Air Force and a directorate of the Air Force Recearch Laboratory, trancitions agille, affordable, and accelerated capabilities by teaming innovative technology developers with Airmen and Guardian falent. AFWERX has three key components: AFVentures, Spark, and Prime. AFVentures expands the defence industrial base for advanced technologies, Spark empowers Airmen and Guardian falent, and Prime drives trancition to operational capability. By teaming across acceleration, industry, investment, interagency, and international partners, AFWERX expands technology, falent, and trancition of innovative capabilities.

RECURRING EVENTS

Every AFWERX Virtual Office Hours

Monday
Attend this weekly webinar hosted every Monday at 1
p.m. EDT to learn about AFWERX, hear how to get
involved, and ask questions directly to the AFWERX
team

Thursday Spains Open Topic Webinar

Attend this weekly webinar hosted every Thursday at 12 p.m. ET to learn about the AFVentures Open

Go To AFWERX webpage for more information



It serves as an easy open door for commercial innovators and private capital investment to help the Department of the Air Force solve problems and deliver botter capability to the warfighter, faster

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Manage Acquisition Schedules

VISSION-X is used to create and manage acquisition schedules

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FY 2022 DoD SBIR/STTR BAA SCHEDULE

20.2/20.B schedule revised 03/15/2020. Pre-release and Open shifted 2 weeks. Close shifted 2 weeks + 1 day with closing time at 12:00 PM ET.

FY	DoD BAA Cycle	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	Stage 7	Stage 8	BAA		Selections Due	Awards Due	
		DoD Call for Topics & Instructions	Components Upload Instructions	Components Conduct Final Topic Review Offline	Components Upload PM-Certified Process	Components Submit Final Topics	Final Docs Created	Components Certify Topics	DoD Security Review	Pre- Release	Open	Close	*(90 days after closing date)	(180 days after Closing date)
2022	SBIR 22.1 and STTR 22.A	Aug. 19, 2021	Aug 20 - Oct 4	Aug 20 - Oct 4	Oct 5-6	Oct 7-14	Oct 15 - Nov 2	Nov 3-4	Nov 5-19	23-Nov- 21	5-Jan- 22	10- Feb- 22	11-May-22	9-Aug-22
2022	SBIR 22.2 and STTR 22.B	Dec. 14, 2021	Jan 3 - Mar 8	Jan 3 - Mar 8	Mar 9-10	Mar 11-15	Mar 16-29	Mar 30-31	Apr 1-12	19-Apr- 22	17- May- 22	15- Jun- 22	13-Sep-22	12-Dec-22
2022	SBIR 22.3 and STTR	Apr. 21, 2022	May 10 - Jul 12	May 10 - Jul 12	Jul 13-14	Jul 15-18	Jul 19-29	Aug 1-2	Aug 3-16	23-Aug- 22	21- Sep-	20- Oct-22	18-Jan-23	18-Apr-23

Manage DoD Schedule

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The SBIR/STTR Schedules are displayed in the Reports Menu area and the data is input and managed using the form below. Admins use this form to add, edit and manage the schedule dates released by DoD or USAF. Data is provided by the USAF PMO or from DoD SBIR/STTR.

Q Select the DoD BAA cycle to edit

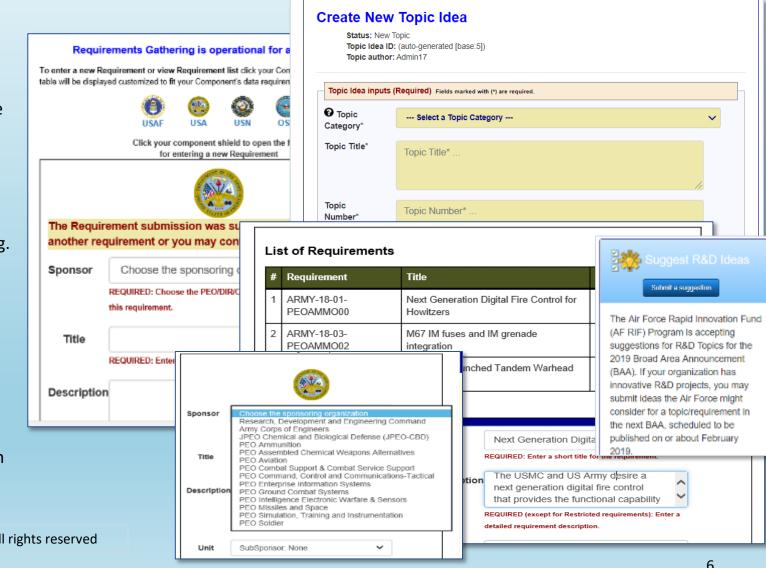
Choose a DoD BAA cycle



Solicitations, RFPs and BAAs

VISSION-X is used to create acquisition requirements/topics and process them through a review and approval cycle, and format for publication in a solicitation, Request for Proposal (RFP) or Broad Agency Announcement (BAA)

- Requirements Topics Gathering
- VISSION-X is currently pre-configured to support:
 - RIF PROGRAM: Army, Navy, Air Force, 4th Estate, OSD organizations
 - SBIR/STTR PROGRAMS: Air Force, Space Force
 - Users add Requirements/Topics into VISSION-X or upload spreadsheets or documents
 - Requirements are databased to facilitate searching, comparisons, collaboration, and Records Management.
 - Requirements are auto-numbered for tracking.
 - All Agencies can preview all Requirements.
 - Similar Requirements auto-identified
 - Highlights potential duplicative efforts
- Documents auto-generated
 - VISSION-X auto-generates draft documents in Word
 - Significant labor savings
- Suggestions from Public
 VISSION-X has an input form for vendors to submit suggestions for topics. This helps alert the DoD to research underway in the public sector.





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Registration of Participating Companies

• All vendors must register with VISSION-X.

Reviewing Requirements

- Requirements/Topics are databased so vendors can easily review all Requirements submitted by all Agencies.
- Vendors choose a Requirement by clicking the name.

Submitting Questions

• Vendors may submit questions electronically, which are automatically forwarded by the application.

Completing the "Coversheet"

 Vendors must complete the "Coversheet" form in VISSION-X before uploading White Paper documents.

Submitting the Technical Description and Slide Deck

Document upload is rapid, seamless, and secure using
 Asynchronous JavaScript, XML, XMLHttpRequest object and
 JSON to encrypt, GUID-identify, and transports the document in
 background via HTTPS to the server without changing or
 refreshing the web page. Uploads are virus checked.

Modifying the Submission

• Prior to finalization, the vendor may make edits or deletions.

Finalizing the Submission

• When all uploads are complete the vendor must click a "Finalize" button.

Downloading a Receipt

• VISSION-X automates a downloadable PDF receipt with the White Paper tracking data, timestamped.

• Automated Email Verification

• In addition, VISSION-X automates an email to the vendor verifying the submission and attaching the PDF receipt.

Submitting White Papers

Companies submitting White Papers to the RIF Program used VISSION-X to manage their White Paper Submissions.



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Security and Restricted Access

- For RIF, companies invited to propose may log into the proposal submissions system.
- Vendors may allow their subcontractors to submit separate cost proposals if allowed or required by the RFP.

Submitting Questions

• Vendors may submit questions electronically, which are forwarded to a cognizant Contracting Officer.

Completing the "Coversheet"

- Vendors have access to review or edit their Coversheet created during the White Paper submission.
- Submitting the Technical Proposal, Cost Proposal, Statement of Work, Subcontracting Plan
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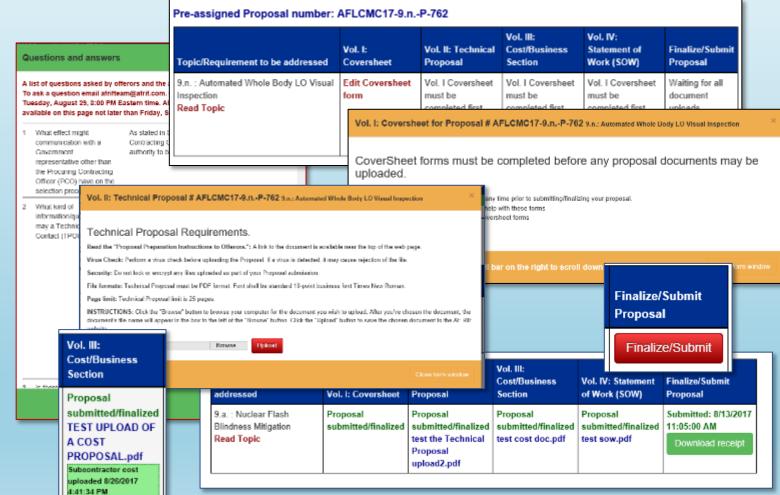
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Submitting Proposals

Companies submitting Proposals to the RIF Program used VISSION-X to Manage their Proposal Submissions.



Training and Conflict of Interest

- Evaluators are required to attend a live online training class supported and recorded by VISSION-X.
- Includes source selection security, conflict of interest, communications guidelines, and using VISSION-X to evaluate.

Assignments and Notifications

- PMs or Leads use VISSION-X to assign evaluators to specific Proposals and to specific roles for that Proposal
- VISSION-X can prohibit evaluation assignments to contractors if organization's rules require prohibition.
- The application automates emails to evaluators informing them of their assignments.

Security and Role-Based Access

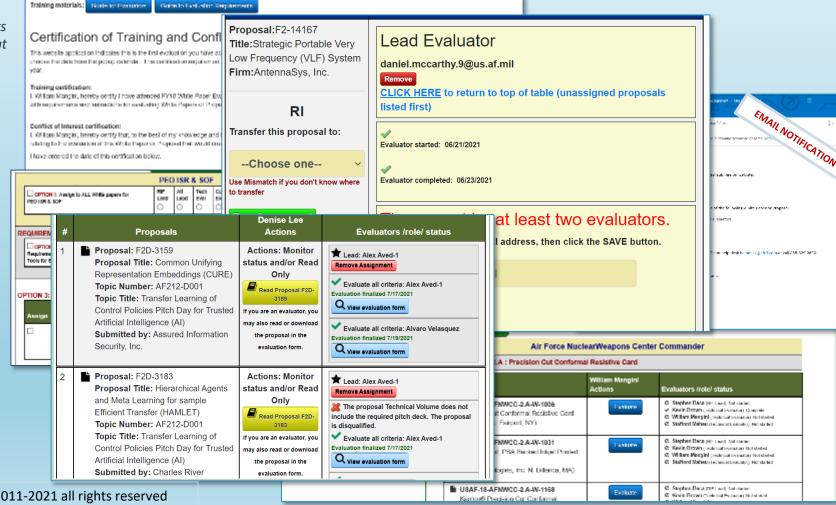
- Evaluators are assigned specific roles, i.e., Lead, Alt Lead, Technical evaluator, Cost Evaluator, Read-only advisor.
- Evaluators can only access evaluation forms for proposals to which they have been assigned.

• Evaluations Status Tracking

- VISSION-X dynamically tracks the status of all evaluators and reports the status.
- Status may include whether the Assignee has started the evaluation, completed the evaluation, the Rating, the accumulated grade/score, and date and time of completion.
- Non-performing evaluators can be reminded, removed, or replaced.

Evaluation Process (Part 1 of 3)

VISSION-X evaluation processes are customized to meet the requirements for the Program. For example RIF and SBIR/STTR evaluation processes are different within VISSION-X



Notification and Guides

- Evaluators are notified by automated email when they are assigned to evaluate.
- Notifications include instructions for accessing VISSION-X, and an Evaluation Guide PDF is available in VISSION-X.
- Evaluators may request remedial or additional personalized training at any time.

Evaluation information

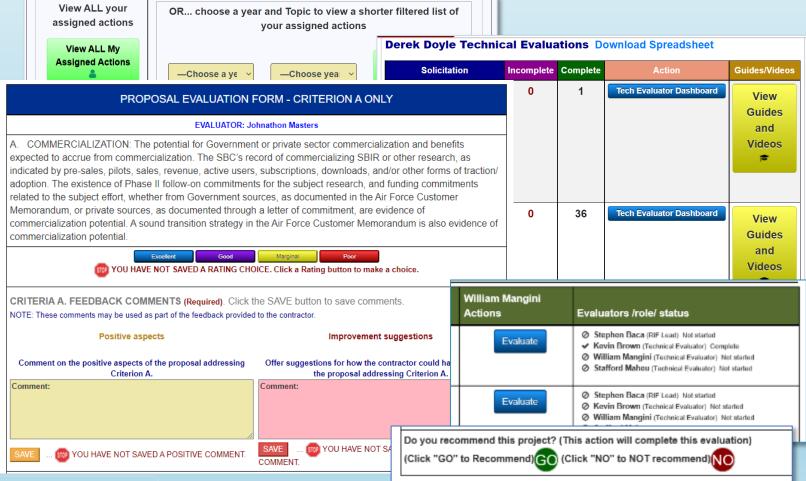
- The electronic evaluation form includes links to the solicitation, RFP, BAA and/or Topic being evaluated.
- The evaluation form utilizes the Evaluation criteria as published in the RFP or BAA.
- Instructions are displayed for using the electronic form to evaluate.
- Yes/No questions aid the Evaluator in thinking through the evaluation criteria and may be used to disqualify a proposal.
- Answers are auto-saved in the background allowing evaluators to stop and re-start evaluation at any time without losing any data or decisions.
- Each Criteria/Factor is Adjectival Rated using colorcoding in accordance with the DoD Source Selection Guidelines.
- Evaluators enter comments to explain their Rating decision.

On-line Document Reader

- Evaluators can read the Proposal documents using an embedded online document reader.
- The reader includes document download, enabling the evaluator to access the original documents.

Electronic Evaluation (Part 2 of 3)

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Consensus Evaluation

- Leads conduct an electronic consensus evaluation to consolidate evaluations to a single rating.
- VISSION-X coordinates collaboration between the PM, Lead, and evaluators.
- VISSION-X can prohibit consensus by a contractor if organization's rules require prohibition.

Selection Prioritization

- VISSION-X is used to prioritize an organization's Requirements based on the value of Proposals received addressing the Requirement.
- VISSION-X can automate generation of a briefing of the Selection Rack and Stack results.
- VISSION-X records organization leadership approval of the prioritization.

Proposal down-select

- The RIF Program allows Representatives from participating Major Commands to meet on a telecon and use VISSION-X to down-select Proposals based on Agency priorities.
- For USAF SBIR, VISSION-X accepts a budget cutline and allows a PM to edit the automated selection results.

Invitation To Submit follow-on

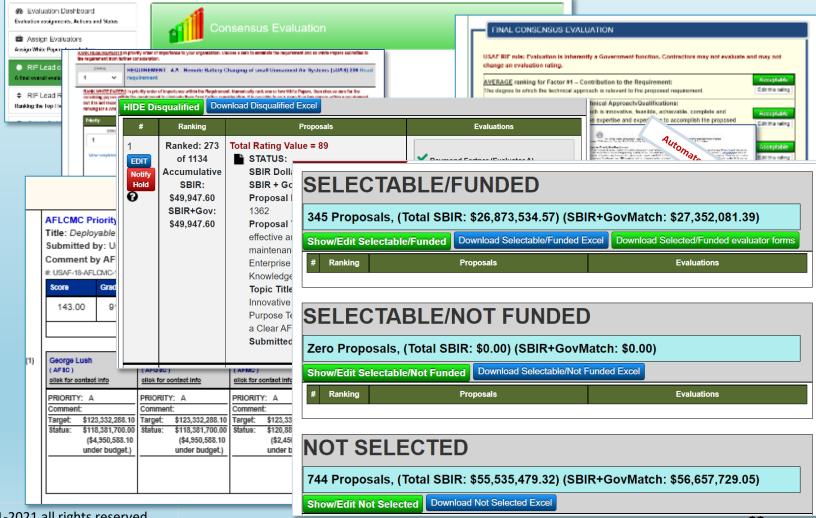
 VISSION-X can automate invitations to companies to submit follow-on proposals (SBIR Phase two, or RIF White Paper follow-ons for example).

Selection Approval Authority briefing

 For RIF, VISSION-X automates a signature-enabled briefing for the Agency's Selection Approval Authority.

Selection Process (Part 3 of 3)

VISSION-X is customized to "rack and stack" evaluated proposals based on the Program rules and processes.



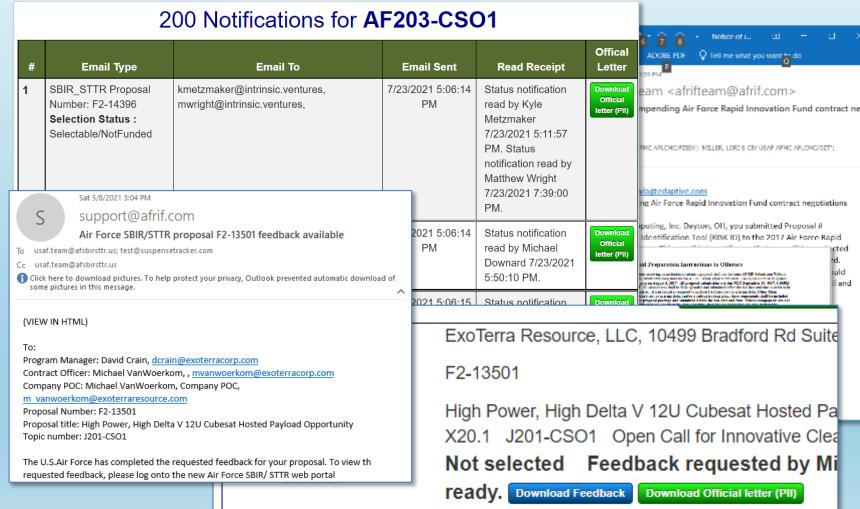


Notification to Companies

VISSION-X is customized to provide notification to proposing companies of the results of the evaluation and select status.

Automated Email Notification

- VISSION-X sends emails to all Submitters when the selection process is complete.
- Emails are authorized by and contain the signature of the Agency's Procuring Contracting Officer.
- Tracking Notification
 Acknowledgement
 - VISSION-X email instructs submitters to access the application to discover their proposal's Status.
 - VISSION-X databases and records the date and time of every acknowledgment.
 - Reminder emails are sent if an acknowledgement is not recorded within a reasonable time.
- Archiving Acknowledgement for Contracting Officers' files
 - VISSION-X archives all data related to each email notification and acknowledgment.
 - The archived data may be downloaded by a Contracting Officer to complete her/his contract file.





Automated Email Notification

 Proposal submitters are notified by email and directed to access the web portal to learn the status of their proposal.

Debriefing Requests

- A proposal submitter has the option of requesting a debriefing by using a form on the web portal to submit the request.
- Requests are forwarded to the Procuring Contracting Officer.

Semi-automated Debriefing

- VISSION-X creates draft debriefing text utilizing evaluation ratings and comments.
- The PCO reviews, edits, and approves the debriefing text in VISSION-X.

Legal Review

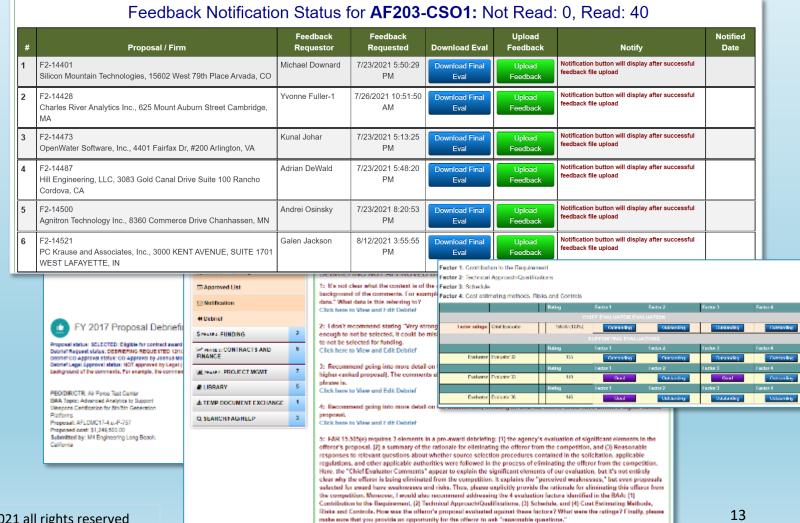
 When required by the Program, the cognizant Legal Officer is notified by VISSION-X via email to review and approve debriefing text.

• Debriefing Release

- After all Government POCs have approved the debriefing for release, VISSION-X emails the proposal submitter and directs them to access VISSION-X to obtain their debriefing.
- Read receipts, acknowledgement of receipt, acknowledgement of debriefing reading, and any follow-up requests or questions are databaserecorded and forwarded to the cognizant Government POCs.

Debriefing/Feedback Processes

VISSION-X is customized to provide debriefing or feedback for companies in accordance with the rules and processes of the Program.



Click here to View and Edit Debrief

Automated Request for Funds

- User completes a form to create a formal request for funds.
- Requests may be created for Project funding, Travel or PMA.
- The form ensures the user enters all required information to correctly to complete a request.
- All data is databased and tracked.

Automated PDF Request Letter

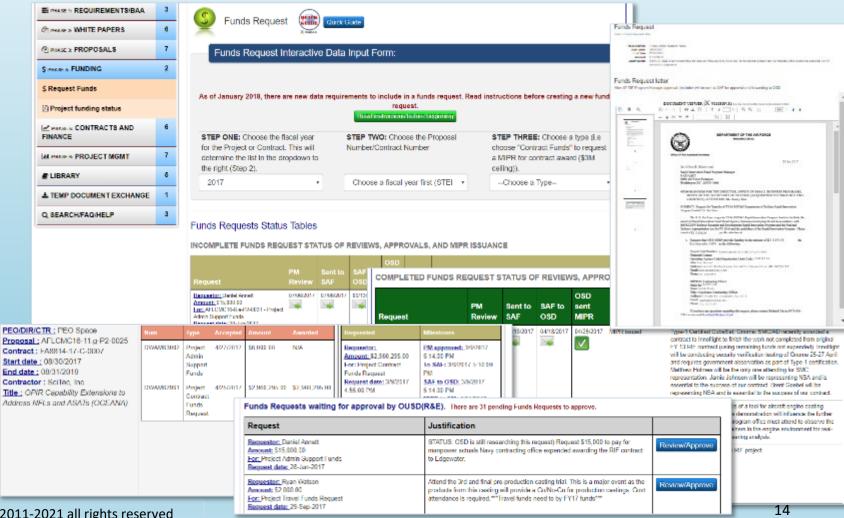
 VISSION-X automates the generation of a formal letter in PDF format for submission to the Program Manager for Review.

Reviews and Approvals

- The Program Manager uses VISSION-X to review the requests and may make changes or return it to the originator for modifications.
- The Program Manager forwards an approved request to the Agency Headquarters.
- Headquarters POCs access VISSION-X to review the Request.
- After approval, the request is forwarded to the cognizant OSD Financial inbox for action.
- For the RIF Program, OSD/WHS financial may access VISSION-X to receive requests. They may also use VISSION-X to upload MIPRs (thus avoiding issues associated with emailing MIPRs).
- All reviews and approvals are databased and archived.

Requests for Funds (MIPRS)

VISSION-X is customized to track, report, and manage MIPR'd funds if required by the Program.



RIF OSD-required financials

- A form on VISSION-X gathers data required to generate monthly OSD reports.
 - Amounts Expended and Obligated
 - Plans for future Expenditures
 - Plans for future Obligations

Eporting

 A functional module in VISSION-X is a one-stop location for managing and reporting on all financial data related to projects and contracts.

Automated Spreadsheets

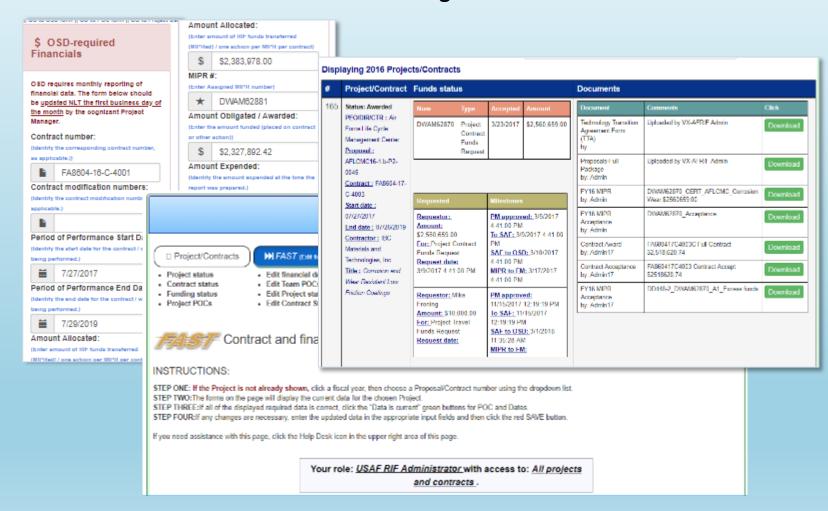
- VISSION-X can automate the generation of spreadsheets from data contained in the database.
- Spreadsheets auto-generated are downloadable from VISSION-X in Microsoft Excel.

• Custom On-Demand Reports

- Custom reports are generated as requested.
- Examples of custom one-time reports are Congressional Inquiries such as data on sales within a Senator's State.
- Customer reports are typically delivered within 1-4 hours following receipt of the request depending on report complexity.

Financial Reporting

VISSION-X is customized to track, report, and manage financials if required by the Program.

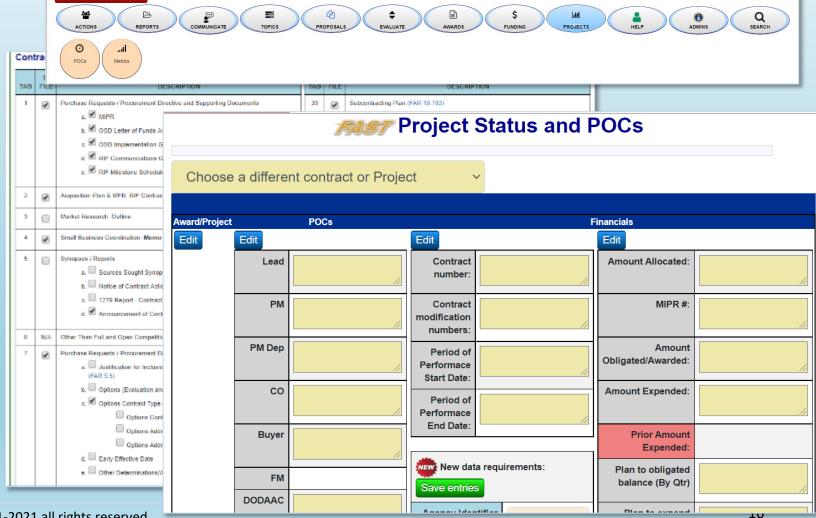


Automated Contracting Officers' Folders and Tabs

- VISSION-X provides an electronic form to track the status of forms, documents and data retained by the cognizant Contracting Officer.
- Tab samples include (excerpts)
 - Small Business-Coordination Memo for Record
 - Other Than Full and Open Competition Authority (J&A Related Correspondence)
 - Contract Data Requirements List (CDRL) (DD Form 1423)
 - Solicitation / Model Contract
 - Protests Before/After Award (FAR 33.1)
 - Unsuccessful Proposals with Correspondence (Including Notices to Unsuccessful Offerors)
 - Successful Proposal
 - Proposal Evaluation
 - Subcontracting Plan (FAR 19.702)
 - SBA Certificate of Competency (COC)
 - Government Property
 - Pre/Post-Award Debriefings
 - DCAA Audit Report/Recommendations
 - Clearance Requests and Approvals
 - Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data; Contracting Officer's Determination of Exception or Approved Waiver
 - Price Negotiation Memorandum (PNM) / Price Competition Automated System Documentation
 - Notice of Award

Contracting Officers Folders

VISSION-X is customized to support Contracting Officer folder contents and tabs if required by the Program.





Contract Checklist

- VISSION-X provides an input form to track all contract-related data.
- Examples include
 - Business Clearance forecasted and actual date
 - Negotiated Award date
 - Legal Clearance forecasted and actual date
 - Contract Clearance forecasted and actual date
 - Contract Award
 - Actual date
 - Contract Number and amount
 - PoP dates
 - Contract modifications
 - Dates
 - Type (i.e., no cost)

Contract POCs

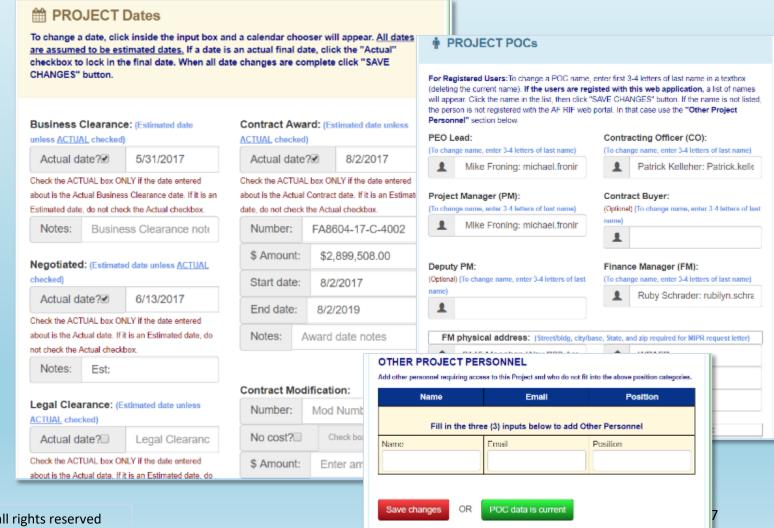
- VISSION-X requires on-going maintenance of the cognizant contract and project POCS.
 - Contracting Officer
 - Contract Buyer
 - Finance Manager
 - FM address for correct Funds Request data
 - Department of Defense Activity Address Code (DoDAAC):

Monthly Status Meetings

• VISSION-X supports Contracting and Finance personnel status meetings.

Contracts – Status and Reports

VISSION-X is customized to support Contracting Officer status and reports if required by the Program.

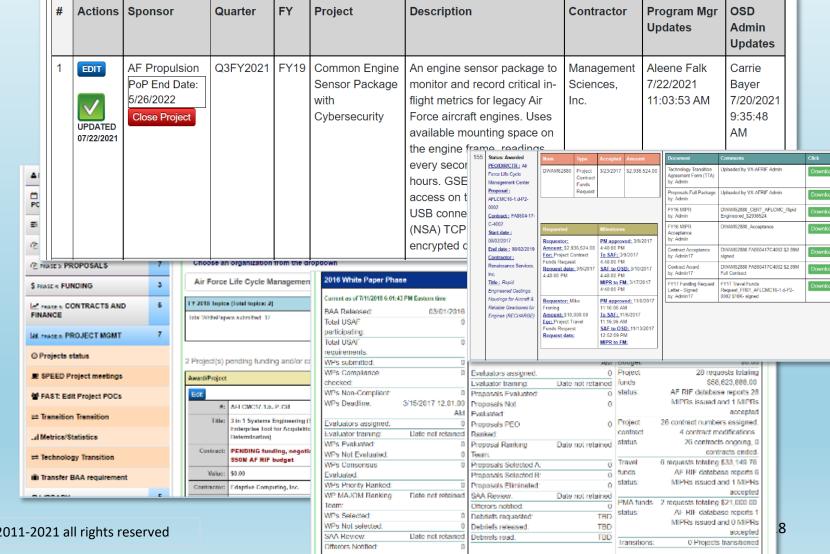




Project Management – Status and Reports

- Dynamic Project Status Reporting
 - VISSION-X provides instant reports from the underlying database on the status of a Project.
 - On Schedule
 - On Budget
 - Risks
 - Mitigations
- Monthly Project Status meetings
 - VISSION-X automates slides to support a monthly Project Status meeting.
 - Project Issues
 - Impacts on Schedule
 - Impacts on Budget
 - Financial Status
- Complete Metrics and Stats
 - VISSION-X reports each year's metrics and statistics with focus on four major phases:
 - White Paper or Phase One
 - Proposal phase or Phase Two
 - Project Management
 - Contract Management
- Documents Library
 - VISSION-X includes a Project and Contracts library.
 - Documents can be uploaded to a specific contract/project.
 - Project Plans and documents
 - Contracts and amendments
 - MIPRs and acceptances
 - Submitted White Papers or Proposals

VISSION-X is customized to support Project Management status and reports if required by the Program.





Technology Transition and Success Stories

Technology Transition

- VISSION-X gathers data on technology transitions.
- A text input area is utilized to record any activities or actions related to technology transition for a specific project.
- Documents may be uploaded.
 - Technology Transitions Agreements
 - Technology Transitions Plans

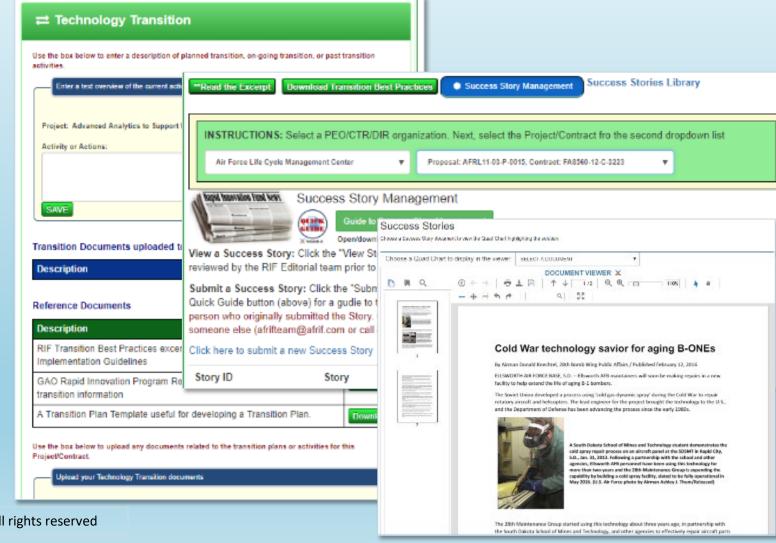
Technology Transition Library

- Technology Transition information is readily available.
 - Transition Best Practices excerpt from the OSD FY 2018 RIF Implementation Guidelines
 - GAO Rapid Innovation Program
 Reports which drives the emphasis on transition information
 - A Transition Plan template useful for developing a Transition Plan
 - Technology Transition Documentation may be uploaded

Success Stories

- A form allows a user to enter formatted success story information and graphics.
 - The VISSION-X Team uses the information to develop a publishable success story.
 - Stories are vetted by the Agencies'
 Public Affairs unit for public release.

VISSION-X is customized to automate Success Stories in PowerPoint or Word formats and track project technology transition.





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Document Library

 Filter by Agency Unit and Fiscal Year

- White Paper and Proposals
- Evaluations
- Lead Rankings
- MAJCOM Ranking
- SAA Approved list

Projects and Contracts

- Project status
- Contract status
- MIPRs and funding
- Stored documents

Reports/Documents

- BAA for each year
- DoD Guidelines
- DoD briefings
- Downloads

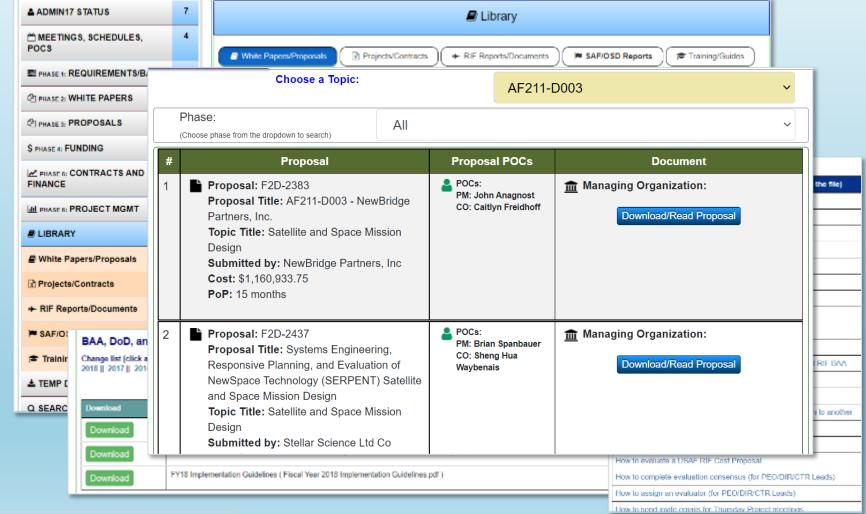
Headquarters/OSD Reports

- Spend Plans
- Awards Status
- Expenditure Report

Training Guides

- VISSION-X guides
- Training documents
- DoD Instructions

VISSION-X maintains a library of documents, proposals, evaluation, guides in a secure encrypted Microsoft Government Datacenter.



VISSION-X Administration by User Admins

Program users designated as Admins

> VISSION-X includes a function accessible by users designated by the Program as Admins.

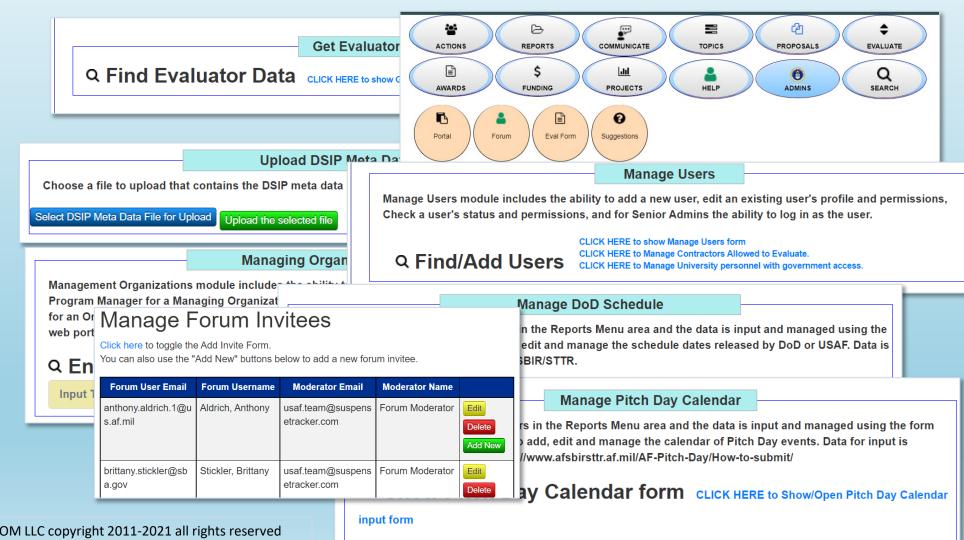
User Administration

- New users may be added, edited or removed and permissions can be set.
- Rules can be administrated such as prohibiting contractors from evaluating.
- Special access can be granted such as for government personnel using government university email addresses.

Event Administration

- Events such as the Pitch Days used by USAF SBIR/STTR.
- Schedules for cycles or solicitations can be managed.
- Unique invitation events such as forums can be scheduled, and attendees can be added. edited or deleted.

VISSION-X includes administration of some data and functions by users who are designated by the Program as Administrators.

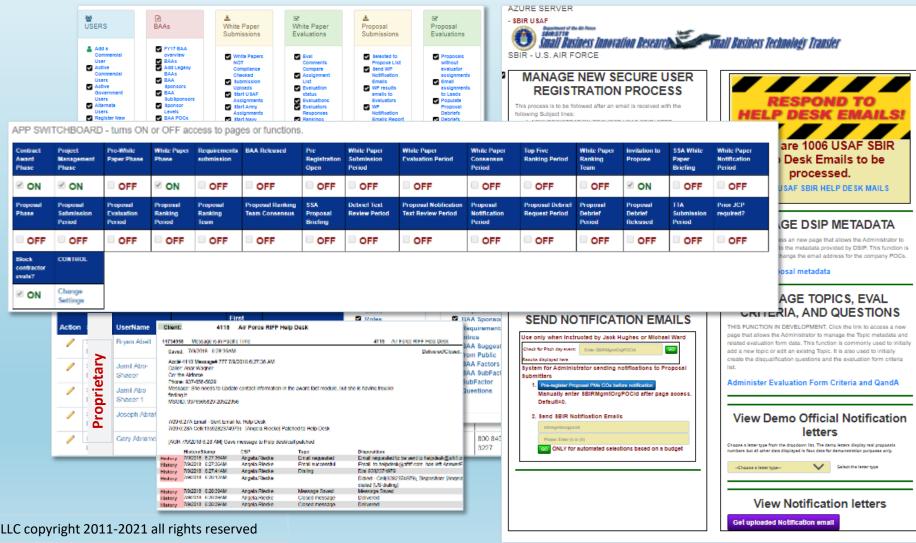




VISSION-X System Administration

- "Switchboard" administration of functions and features (Proprietary)
 - VISSION-X includes an App Switchboard. Workflow stages are turned on or off by clicking a button.
 - The switchboard supplements the Role-Based Access Controls by disabling functions when the current workflow process does not require access.
- Function Level Role-**Based Access Controls** (RBAC) Security
 - (Proprietary)
 - Roles are restricted at the source code level down to the functional level.
 - Administration interface allows control of RBAC.

VISSION-X Administrators use an automated interface to manage VISSION-X instances and maintain an overview of Program activity.





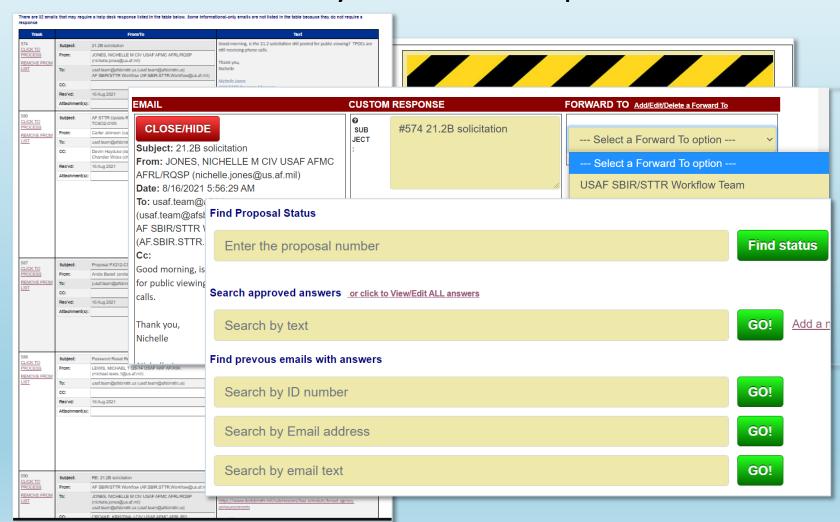
VISSION-X Helpdesk System

VISSION-X provides a Help Desk to support VISSION-X. The Help Desk can be contacted by email or Toll-free telephone.

- VISSION-X support for VISSION-X users:
 - Receives help requests by email.
 - Receives help request by toll-free phone.
 - Provides support to Government users.
 - Provides support to Proposal submission users.
- Program Help Desk Support (Optional)

VISSION-X can also provide help desk support for the Program. This support is optional and not included in the base cost for VISSION-X

- Program Help Desk provides Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) in Program rules and requirements.
- SMEs can answer questions that are not specific to VISSION-X but instead are Program-related questions
- VISSION-X currently provides Program Help Desk support for the USAF SBIR/STTR program
- Helpdesk automation
 - VISSION-X automates interfaces for use by Help Desk personnel to manage volume, respond rapidly, and maintains a repository of questions and answers.

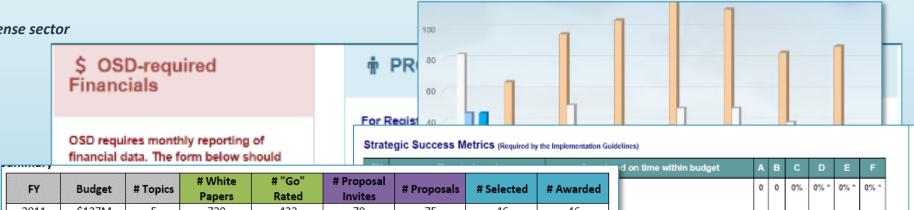


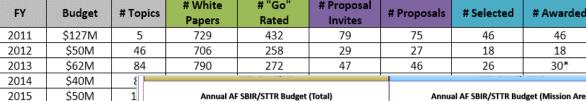
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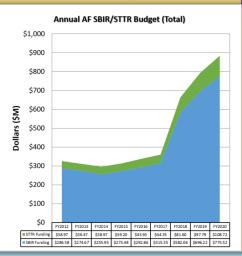
- Time to Award
- Completed on time
- Completed on budget
- Projects terminated for underperformance
- Projects using SBIR Technology
- Percent of Small Business Awards
- Percent of projects awarded to non-defense sector businesses
- Percent of funding expired
- Percent of successful transitions
- Funds Reports and Expenditures
 - Amount committed
 - Amount and percent Obligated
 - Amount and percent Expended
 - Plan to Obligate/Expend
- Project Management Reports
 - On-time, on-budget
 - Return on Investment (ROI)
 - Risks and mitigations
 - Mission value-added
 - Cost savings
 - Schedule performance
 - Training metrics
 - Transition to project or platform
- Monthly Status
 - System (VISSION-X) availability 99.95%
 - Backup status
 - Response times
 - Reported issues
 - Helpdesk statistics (emails, phone calls)

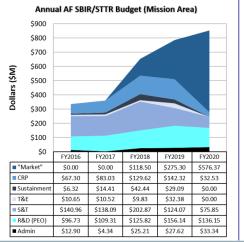
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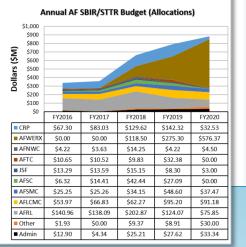
VISSION-X customizes reports based on Program requirements and requests.











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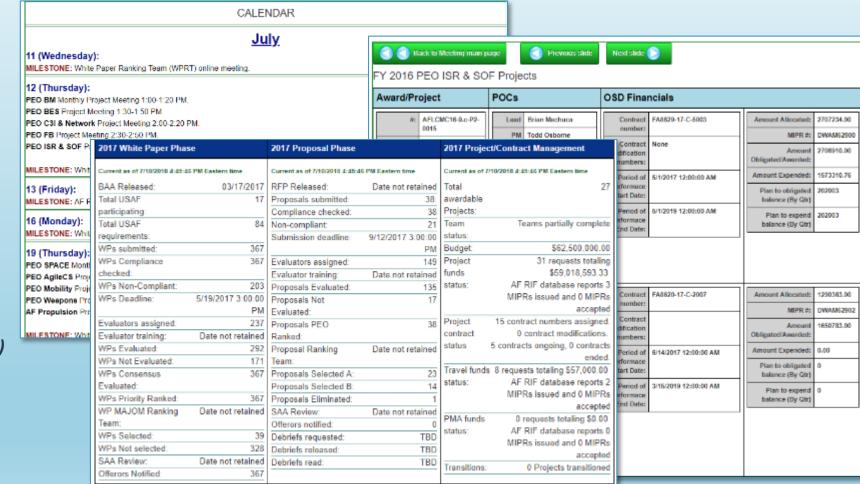
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- Management Status
 - 3 days each week or on-demand
 - Telecon with dedicated conference line
 - Automated downloadable status report
 - Dynamic daily metrics, statistics
- Project/Contract Status
 - Once weekly or on-demand
 - Telecon with dedicated conference line
 - Automated slides with dynamic data
 - Discussion of funding, project issues
- Professional Training
 - Training for Project Managers
 - Training for Contracting Officers
 - Training for Evaluators
 - On-demand, on-line
- Software Customization
 - As requested, unlimited (within scope)
 - Accommodates different processes and workflows for Army, Navy, Air Force, 4th Estate
- Helpdesk Support
 - Telephone or Email support
 - Immediate response

Program Management

VISSION-X Program Management support based on Program requirements and requests.



VISSION-X Security





Protecting Proprietary and Source Selection Sensitive data

Document encryption

- Encrypted during the upload process (in transit)
- Encrypted while in storage on disc (at rest)
- File name is replaced with a Global Unique Identifier (GUID) (sample below) to prevent direct file access

•	3703	75fa83f6-58ef-4256-a77c-ae5d7c97ea49.	7	2911	4/12/2018 1054	1
•	3704	ff82c0e1-7efe-4162-ba0d-27a6e4c79473	7	2816	4/12/2018 924	1
•	3705	5841dd97-2c40-4847-805b-2d7edff14056	6	2816	4/12/2018 9241	1

GUID documents cannot be accessed directly, only through the VISSION-X interface

Document segregation

- Segregated by server farms (separate server groups for public (vendors submitting papers),
 Government (Evaluators, Project Managers, Contract Officers, etc.)
- Physically in Directories by document type (i.e., Proposals versus White Papers in public farm, and Contracts versus Success Stories in Government farm, etc.)



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Protecting Proprietary and Source Selection Sensitive data

Role Based Access Controls

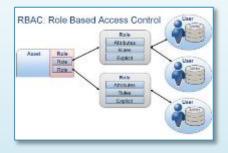
Access to documents is restricted by Role Based Access Controls (RBAC) (sample below)

•	52:49.7	Offerors invited to propose	Proposal Submitter
•	43:58.2	Ranking of submittals	Leads and MAJCOMS
•	45:22.3	Final Ranking of submittals	Ranking Team Member
•	42:06.4	Access to Reports and Materials	Government Management

- A user must have a specific Role to upload a document (Proposal contractor, etc.).
- A user must have a specific USAF Role related to document access (Evaluator, Project Manager, Contract Officer, etc.).
- A Role user (i.e., Evaluator) may only access documents specifically assigned to her/him.
- Roles are vetted and granted by PEO/DIR/CTR Leads and designates and person-in-the-loop Administrators.
- Users must sign a non-disclosure agreement prior to being granted access to VISSION-X.
- Source Selection Sensitive documents are prefaced by a required Cover Sheet when displayed in VISSION-X.
- Common Access Card (CAC) access can be enabled for Government users.

Backup and recovery

- Automated backup occurs as soon as a new document is uploaded.
- Backup to a separate geo-located cloud server.
- The document is encrypted during backup (in transit) and in cloud storage (at rest).







Environmental protection

Force majeure protection

- An event described by the legal term act of God (hurricane, flood, earthquake, volcanic eruption, etc.) war, strike, riot, crime, etc.
 - Replication to Data Centers: All data replicated in two or more geo-location separated data centers. If one data center is compromised, users are transparently directed to another operational data center.

Infrastructure protection

- Hardware or software failure
 - The application and data are replicated to multiple hardware platforms within a data center. In the event of a failure of any platform or system, users are transparently re-directed to operational systems in real-time.

Monitoring and alerts

- Threats
 - The VISSION-X Team utilizes state-of-the-art monitoring systems providing alerts and self-healing for all systems, providing rapid response and preventative actions.







Software Threats

Web Application Security Project (OWASP) Core Rule Set

• A collection of rules for Web Application Firewalls (WAFs) used as part of a defense in-depth solution to help protect web applications against threats

Major categories:

- HTTP protocol level protection
- Blacklisting of known malicious hosts
- HTTP denial of service protections
- Common web attacks protection (SQL injection, XSS...)
- Automation detection
- Error and information disclosure prevention

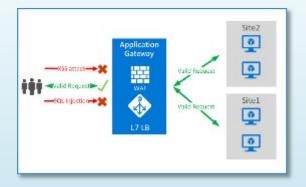
Human Threats

Unauthorized access (hacking)

 In addition to real-time systems monitoring, VISSION-X employs all standardized methods including prompt system updates, anti-virus protection, strong password policies (or Common Access Card (CAC) access), WAP firewalls, document upload protection, and hourly backup to an off-site cloud location.

Insider threats

- Role Based Access Controls (RBAC) and person-in-the-loop authorizations vet users and ensure they are only allowed to access specific permitted functions.
- VISSION-X applies RBAC at the function level. Every operation software function employs a separate RBAC permission.

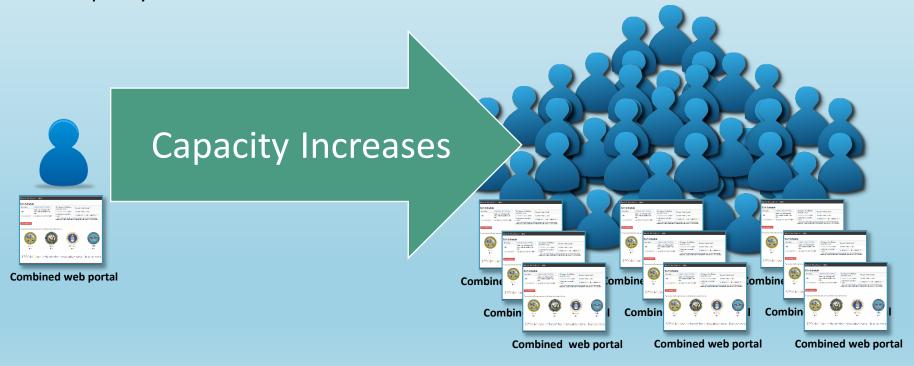




Handling capacity using Autoscaling



Autoscaling software monitors the performance of the server(s) hosting the Rapid Innovation Fund web portal. Performance is affected as the number of users and user actions increases. Autoscaling software is set to automatically add more servers when the web portal begins to slow down due to the number of users or activities. There is no limit to the capacity and the number of servers added.



COST AND ACQUISITION STRATEGY



Subscription Licensing

 Monthly subscription includes secure stateof-the-art data center cloud hosting, geolocation failover, hourly backup, unlimited feature customization (within scope),
 Program Management, Helpdesk, security, training, maintenance, unlimited users

Contract # GS-35F-0178X, GSA Schedule 70, SIN 132-34 Maintenance of Software as a Service (MaaS)

Includes services to create, design, implement, and/or integrate customized changes. SIN 132-34 also includes person-to-person communications regardless of the medium used to communicate: telephone support, on-line technical support, customized support, and/or technical expertise.

Estimate to provide a Program Support web portal for the Rapid Innovation Fund (RIF) Program supporting the RIF life cycle for DoD, 4th Estate, Army, Air Force, and Navy

Description	GSA Part #, Product/Service	Unit	Unit Price	QTY	Annual Subscription	
VX-DODRIF MaaS	SIN 132-34. Part# VX6M4 VISSION-X SOA Service Center Programmatic Add-On	EA	\$119,975.37	2.25	\$269,944.58	
VX-DODRIF MaaS	SIN 132-34. Part# VX3M4 VISSION-X ESB Database Schema	EA	\$74,413.74	2	\$148,827.48	
VX-DODRIF MaaS	SIN 132-34. Part# VX1M4 VISSION-X Enterprise Service Bus	EA	\$79,622.71	2	\$159,245.42	
VX-DODRIF MaaS	SIN 132-34. Part# VX1C VISSION-X Enterprise Service Bus Tailoring Package	EA	\$9,309.30	4	\$37,237.20	
VX-DODRIF MaaS	SIN 132-34. Part# VX3C VISSION-X ESB Database Schema Tailoring Package	EA	\$8,039.85	4	\$32,159.40	
VX-DODRIF MaaS	SIN 132-34. Part# VX5C VISSION-X ESB Capabilities Package	EA	\$8,463.00	4	\$33,852.00	
					\$681,266.08	\$618,494.66

Acquisition strategy: Immediate implementation by purchase via the existing GSA contract. Cost based on the quantity of the elements.



Legacy Software Products:



SCOUT Suspense Tracker

A Task Management System used by numerous DoD Agencies from 2000 to 2017.



PROMOTE / VIGILANT EAGLE

Used by Air Force Space Command Management Review Boards to automate the process of reviewing, analyzing and scoring candidates for promotion to a higher rank or a higher responsibility.



VISIT REQUESTOR

Used by Defense Forensic Science Center for initiating, approving, tracking and managing facility visits. Includes a digital signature pad to capture visitor sign-in eliminating paper sign-in logs.



ENVIRON

Used by Fleetwood Goldco Wyard Mining to manage hazardous materials storage and transportation data. ENVIRON contains chemical data information and the combinations of chemicals to manage the status of materials in storage and the disposition of those materials.

Organizations supported:

- ☐ Civilian Personnel Management Service (CPMS), Arlington, VA
- ☐ Air Force District of Washington (AFDW), Andrews AFB. MD
- Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Arlington, VA
- Army DOIM, Ft. Meade, MD



- ☐ Air Force 58th Special Operations Wing, Kirtland AFB, NM
- ☐ 316th Air Wing, Andrews AFB, MD
- ☐ 377 Mission Support Squadron, Kirtland AFB, NM
- Army Criminal Investigations Lab (USACIL), Forest Park, GA
- ☐ Fleetwood Goldo Wyard mining company

