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# Our mission

- One-stop shop for Defence industry
- Opened on 26 November 2021
- Trusted link to Defence for businesses looking to enter the Defence Supply Chain
- Working with States and Territories
- Guided by Defence Strategic Review and AUKUS requirements
- Alignment with Sovereign Defence Industrial Priorities (SDIPs)



# Our approach

- Advisory, guidance and mentoring services
- Refocussed business support
- Seamless experience
- Proactive strategy
- Numerous programs and pathways
- Evaluation of business





# Regional Engagement to date

- Wheatbelt x 3
- Kimberley – RAAF Curtin
- Gascoyne – RAAF Learmonth and HEH
- South West and Peel
- Great Southern - Albany
- Mid West - Geraldton



# Defence Industry Development Strategy (DIDS) Sovereign Defence Industrial Priorities (SDIPs)

- Maintenance, repair, overhaul and upgrade of Australian Defence Force aircraft.
- Continuous naval shipbuilding and sustainment.
- Sustainment and enhancement of the combined arms land system
- Domestic manufacture of guided weapons, explosive ordnance and munitions.
- Development and integration of autonomous systems.
- Integration and enhancement of battlespace awareness and management systems
- Test and evaluation, certification and systems assurance

# How we engage



- On-site visits
- Outreach programs
- Online resources
- Monthly ODIS Updates – sign up at ODIS Landing Page
- Defence Business Readiness Tool (DBRT)



# Key services

- Specialist Defence business advice
- Direct linkages to Defence procurement programs
- Identify current SMEs who can meet Defence needs and SDIPs
- Direct linkages to Defence end users
- Assist SMEs to work with end users
- Tailor grants to assist the development of SMEs – Defence Industry Development Grants
- Work closely with other key Australian Government initiatives

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So **why** is this important?







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# Common misconceptions

*My business is too small to be part of the defence industry...*

*I would have to operate my business from a major city...*

Opportunities are only available in the acquisition or build activities...

*Start ups cannot engage with Defence Innovation programs*



# Is your business potentially eligible?

- Have an Australian Business Number?
- Have, or developing products or services that have a specific defence application and meet one or more of the SDIPs?
- Require defence support that cannot be provided through other government assistance?
- Apply through Defence Business Readiness Tool (DBRT) – [dbrt.online](https://dbrt.online)





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