



SIDC Update #1 – July 2015

You have received this update as you have expressed interest in the work of the Security Innovation and Demonstration Centre (SIDC) through one of the events we have held this year.

These updates will be distributed monthly to ensure that you are kept up to date with the latest news as well as the opportunities for working with SIDC.

SIDC is still developing, so if you have ideas or want to get involved, either by working together or offering your skills through a secondment, we would welcome your input. Please [email](#) us with your comments and ideas.

Pilot Phase Highlights

The pilot phase of SIDC ended in June. A successful year saw SIDC secure **£312,000 of investment in innovation** for the Communications Capabilities Development Programme (CCD).

A series of **events on body worn video**, bringing end users together with manufacturers, resulted in **81% of suppliers** stating that they would incorporate the information received from these events in their product development.



A demonstration of the digitally enabled police officer of the future - was shown at events including the SIDC launch and the Security and Policing Exhibition. It provided visitors from the UK and overseas an insight into the strength of the UK security market, as well as how SIDC can help to bring about transformational change. It also featured on the [BBC News Website](#).

SIDC Future

July saw the first meeting of the Security and Resilience Growth Partnership (SRGP), chaired by the Rt Hon John Hayes MP, the new Security Minister. The Minister **reiterated the government's commitment** to the SRGP and the role of SIDC. Increasing exports is a government priority and the meeting discussed how the SRGP could help deliver this.

“Our aim is to help make the UK a global leader in security and resilience technology by making it easier for partnerships between industry, academia and users to quickly develop and demonstrate innovative solutions.”

The SIDC and SRGP objective of promoting innovation and growth, links closely to the government's Strategic Defence and Security Review (SDSR), the cross government, Cabinet Office led strategic approach government is taking to national security. Started in 2010, the SDSR is due an update this year.

Current Opportunities

We are currently **seeking an integrator for a demonstration of Future Borders** at the Transport Security Expo in December 2015. Please [apply here](#) if you would like to be considered.

Work is also underway on a variety of challenges, including unmanned aerial vehicles, mobile investigation, future police control rooms, facial recognition, money laundering and follow up activities on body worn video. When events are confirmed they will be advertised on our [website](#), so please check it regularly.

To ensure that you are kept up to date with these and all future opportunities, please visit our website at gov.uk/sidc. If you were forwarded this email by somebody other than SIDC, please send us an [email](#) requesting that we add you to our mailing list.

SIDC's EYE ON INNOVATION

Finally, [this article](#) shows the enormous potential of augmented reality. If it was combined with inexpensive products such as [Google Cardboard](#) and a mobile phone, it could revolutionise police investigations - from crime scenes to road traffic collisions.

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