



Security Innovation & Demonstration Centre

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Welcome to the Security Innovation and Demonstration Centre (SIDC) update, designed to ensure that you are kept up to date with the latest news and opportunities for working with SIDC.

The SIDC team has run two successful events this month on fast parcels and unmanned aerial systems, in addition to ongoing discussions on the business plan and funding models. There are also some upcoming events and opportunities to get involved.

If you have any ideas or want to help SIDC, either by working together or offering your skills through a secondment, we would welcome your input. Please [email](#) us with your comments and ideas.

SIDC Highlights

On the 5 October, SIDC held a pre-briefing event for industry and academia to learn about the government's key priorities for security in the fast parcel industry. Talks were given by senior Border Force, Home Office and [National Crime Agency](#) officials as well as fast parcel industry association [AICES](#). Many participants took the opportunity to network over lunch, forming working partnerships.

The innovative call is offering up to £30k for three month's work looking for technology in adjacent markets that would improve security in the fast parcel industry. A second phase of funding will be launched next year. The phase one call can be found [here](#).

On the 16 October, SIDC held an industry event on unmanned aerial systems. With wide participation from across government, academia and industry the event provided an opportunity to discuss pressing issues.



A full report can be found on the SIDC [website](#).

SIDC is working with the Security Innovation and Technology Consortium (SITC) to host an immersive demonstrator of the Future Border at the [Transport Security Expo](#) at Olympia on 2-3 December 2015.

SIDC Opportunities

The SIDC team are working on the next demonstration for Security and Policing 2016. A proposal for a live demonstrator titled “**Frontline. Online. Everywhere**” is being planned to illustrate how current and future online and digital capabilities can be utilised and integrated to create a mobile investigative capability for law enforcement and border security at the scene. A call has now closed for companies with technologies specific capabilities to help build a system-based demonstrator. However, there will further opportunities to get involved, so check our [website](#) or [email](#) us for more details if you think you have something to offer.

SIDC’s work on digital money laundering has reached the late planning stage with three separate engagement events planned for late 2015. If you would like to be considered or feel you have products or services to offer, please [email us](#).

SIDC's EYE ON INNOVATION

Lastly, with police forces looking to save money through the use of mobile technology, a charity has just released a new version of the app for reporting crime from your smart phone.

[Witness Confident's "Self Evident"](#) app has just been updated to allow the reporting of hate crime.

Commander Mak Chishty, Metropolitan Police Service, Hate Crime lead said: “Hate Crime remains hugely under-reported and the new app makes it easier for people to report incidents. We want to safeguard victims and bring offenders to justice.”

The future of policing may involve a lot more public interaction than we are used to.

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