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This programme aims to provide robust, timely and credible operational analysis support to ensure that maritime capability balance of investment decisions take into account appropriate impartial, proportionate, accurate and relevant evidence.

It provides a coherent set of analysis projects to support maritime Evidence Based Decision-Making within Navy Command, Defence Equipment and Support and the Ministry of Defence (MOD) Head Office. The scope of the programme covers:

- contributing to MOD capability management process by supporting Capability Planning Groups and Programme Boards with assessments of system performance and the military worth of platforms and equipment
- preparation of the evidence base for stakeholder decisions about maritime capability
- provision of methods, tools, data and scenarios business cases
- supporting Defence Equipment

and Support through the provision of operational analysis to support equipment submissions.

Dstl has provided analysis for near, medium and long term requirements including supporting the Queen Elizabeth class aircraft carriers introduction into service. This analysis is ongoing for a new nuclear-powered attack submarine (SSN) and operational analysis underpins future scenarios for all maritime warfare areas.

### Working in partnership

Some aspects of this programme may be contracted through a number of mechanisms throughout the 2015/16 year.

Details of these routes to contracting can be found in the 'How to sell to Dstl - get involved' factsheet.

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Approximate funding (2015/16):

**£5.2 million - 16% is delivered externally\***

\*The 2015/16 funding is a projected forecast and is subject to change in-year.