

About Team Defence Information

Collaborating and optimising the value from business information in the Supply Chain and Support Network across Team Defence

As a **trusted, membership organisation**, funded by Industry and with MOD as a partner, Team Defence Information (TD-Info) organises and supports forums and projects where **Industry and MOD collaborate purposefully on a regular basis**. Not-for-profit, our members set the agenda, share output for the 'common good' and gain mutual and multiplier benefit from their hands-on participation.



Our **Industry-MOD governance** ensures we set priorities to address the most compelling and mutually beneficial issues, as defined and supported by our members, using an appropriate agenda of activities. We help members to **keep abreast of what's happening** and knowing **'who to ask'**. Our focus is on business information - the 'lifeblood' of collaboration across both the **Supply Chain & Support Network** in the defence enterprise.

TD-Info champions issues that can be complex and difficult to address by any single organisation; where the need is for **cross-cutting activities**, access to **diverse expertise** and employment of qualities that include **resilience** and **tenacity, continuity** and **coherence**. At a strategic level, Industry and MOD engagement helps to **align ICT investment decisions**, to the benefit of defence enterprise coherence and interoperability. Corporate knowledge is captured and shared via our member website.

MOD's Whole Force construct includes its partnership with Industry and TD-Info provides a **useful single Point-of-Contact for MOD**. TD-Info facilitates **opportunities for pre-competitive, collaborative work** that helps improve efficiency and effectiveness, reduces cost and elevates collective defence capabilities. Some of this work assists with **early shaping of complex requirements**, while other activities **raise awareness of the 'art of the possible'** from the work of specialists. Exploration of **innovation** and **agility** are key to providing a **winning edge** and we use practitioner experiences and case studies as well as projects to showcase instances.

At the operational level, working with MOD, our forums open the way to **sharing Industry experience**. This clarifies processes between Industry in its collaborations and in those with the MOD. And where MOD intends to make changes that may impact Industry, for example, the latter can provide information about the potential risks and scope of impacts, and contribute on pilots to **de-risk** rollouts, all to mutual benefit, **maintaining the "fabric" between MOD and its Industrial support base**.

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Participation in TD-Info delivers strong **'multiplier' benefits**, where outputs are shared for the 'common good' and added to our website knowledge-base. We draw on the 'wisdom of crowds' where TD-Info projects and communities 'reach-back' into their organisations to tap into a deep fund of expertise and experience.

Who are our Industry members? They encompass Prime contractors through to Small-to-Medium Enterprises (SMEs), suppliers of materiel and through-life support; ICT specialists, systems integrators and providers of niche skills – **all needing to collaborate securely**, using friction-free information sharing amongst themselves and with the MOD.

On **international standards** committees, e.g. the pan European/USA Integrated Product Support Council, TD-Info champions the interests of the UK defence sector. We help shape and promote **interoperable ways of working** designed to increase efficiency and effectiveness. We support opportunities for **professional recognition** of staff who work in the defence sector. Members can **network** through participation in TD-Info communities, projects and annual events, the latter jointly planned by Industry and MOD; annual **Awards** celebrate achievements and showcase capabilities. Through initiatives, such as **JIG-V** and **secondments**, we promote the involvement and professional development of graduates and apprentices, recognised as beneficial for **recruitment and retention** of staff.

TD-Info represents the interests of both Industry **users** of ICT services supplied via MOD (Digital Defence) – and there are approximately **120,000 Industry customers** using MOD services and infrastructure – and Industry **suppliers** of ICT services. We act as a **catalyst** and **facilitator** and our approach is holistic and pragmatic – taking in **people, process** and **technology** – so that the solutions are grounded.

We are 'what it says on the tin': **Team Defence Information**. Please **contact us** to learn how we can assist you.