News story: Autonomous last mile resupply network event — information pack

The autonomous last mile resupply innovation network event was held on 23 May 2017.

At the event in London, a series of presentations provided details of three challenges that make up the Defence and Security Accelerator competition Autonomous last mile resupply.

Event slides

To set the scene, Accelerator Innovation Partner Mark Darvill opened the event by giving an <u>update on the Accelerator</u> and an overview of proof-of-concept research funding opportunities for innovative science and technology providers.

Challenge context and overview

Lt Col Peter Hale and Peter Stockel, Dstl's Autonomy Innovation Lead gave an overview of the competition and outlined it's strategic importance.

Challenge purpose and scope

Lt Col Mark Stuart then briefed the audience on how autonomous systems would help British Army supply front line troops with vital supplies and gave examples of the types of environments the system would have to cope with. Mark Emerton, Dstl's technical lead shared scenarios which brought the challenge to life. Details were provided from a military and technical perspective.

Competition process and overview

Information on the <u>competition's scope</u>, <u>process and key milestones</u> was briefed by Rebecca Varney, Accelerator Competition Manager.

Graham Farnsworth, Dstl's Intellectual Property Manager outlined the new short form contract.

How to work with the Accelerator

The Accelerator team then outlined how organisations can <u>work with the Accelerator and gave advice on how to submit good proposals</u> for funding.

The competition closes at noon on 21 June 2017.

All queries will be answered by email. Send queries to our competition DSTLLastmile@dstl.gov.uk and Accelerator accelerator@dstl.gov.uk email inbox.