<u>News story: Future Aviation Security</u> <u>Solutions network event – information</u> <u>pack</u>

Details of the completion of the two challenges that make up the Defence and Security Accelerator competition can be found at <u>Future Aviation Security</u> <u>Solutions (FASS): finding explosives hidden in electrical items</u>.

Event summary

Accelerator Innovation Partner Jim Pennycook opened the <u>innovation network</u> <u>event</u> by welcoming the delegates and gave an <u>overview of the day</u> which signposted the research funding opportunities for innovative science and technology providers in this themed competition.

FASS programme overview and keynote address

Tim Cook, Programme Manager for the Department of Transport briefed the audience on the Department of Transport (DoT) <u>FASS programme</u> – the background, current projects currently being funded and future plans to address the barriers to innovation in aviation security.

Parliamentary under Secretary for the Department of Transport Baroness Sugg CBE gave the keynote presentation.

Competition briefing

After coffee break, Tim Cook then gave the audience an <u>overview of this</u> <u>competition</u> and highlighted key points. James MacDonald gave a science and technology perspective and Andy Price provided an airport perspective which brought the challenges to life.

Competition process and overview

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

How to work with DASA

Mike Madden, Open Call for Innovation Lead then gave an <u>overview and update</u> on <u>DASA</u> and then outlined how organisations can work with the Accelerator and gave advice on <u>how to submit good proposals for funding</u>.

The competition closes at noon on 17 January 2018.

All queries will be answered by email. Send queries to our competition <u>FASS@dft.gsi.gov.uk</u> and DASA <u>accelerator@dstl.gov.uk</u> email inboxes.