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The events were trailed by Interim Chief Executive Doug Umbers at Dstl's hugely successful [Supercharging Science](#) industry event on 22 July 2021.

The webinars come against the background of an [unprecedented increase in the defence budget](#) which will mean around £1 billion extra will be spent on science and technology with industry and academia over the next 4 years.

They are free to attend and businesses do not need to have worked previously with Dstl or in the defence sector. Attendance is welcomed from equipment and material manufacturers, engineers, innovators, researchers and academics and others who have a genuine interest and ability to work with Dstl.

Cyber: 19 October 2021

10 to 11:15am

Transforming cyber resilience.

Defence S&T Futures: 19 October 2021

1 to 2:15pm

Generating and testing hypotheses to exploit generation-after-next science and technology capabilities and drive defence impact.

Advanced energetic materials: 16 November 2021

Unfortunately it's no longer possible to run this session and it's been cancelled.

You can still find out about our [funding priorities and Energetics technology areas of interest](#) and [follow our Eventbrite page](#) to be notified of future events.

High speed and hypersonic science and technology: 14 December

2021

10 to 11:15am

High speed and hypersonic science and technology investment to support future defence capability. Part of the future kinetic effects and weapons systems programme.

Directed energy weapons science and technology future roadmap: 16 December 2021

1 to 2:15pm

Part of the future kinetic effects and weapons systems programme.

Space: 18 January 2022

10 to 11:15am

Science and technology (S&T) to enable resilient Space domain capabilities.

Artificial intelligence: 20 January 2022

1 to 2:15pm

Delivering at machine speed; using AI to unlock information advantage.

There are a number of other forthcoming opportunities for SMEs and businesses to engage with Dstl and discover how to work with defence.

On 15 September Dstl will be attending [Business Innovation South](#) in Southampton.

Dstl will be also be exhibiting at [Venturefest South](#) at the Ageas Bowl on 21 October where Matt Chinn, a member of Dstl's Executive team and Head of Platform Systems Division, will be delivering one of the opening keynote speeches.

Find out more about [how to work with Dstl](#) including our commitment and track record working with SMEs, and our [research and funding priorities](#).

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1. 8 November 2021

The Future is Explosive webinar, due to be held on 16 November 2021, has been cancelled.

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