

National Security Innovation Network (NSIN) Propel, held in partnership with United States Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) Science and Technology and the 613th Air Operations Center (AOC), is the preeminent national security-focused accelerator in the country enabling the development of next-generation applications of emerging technology for government and defense.

The NSIN Propel Hawaii accelerator helps the U.S. Air Force access emerging technology from the venture community and supports early-stage ventures as they learn to do business with the DoD. The cohort of startups will deliver cutting-edge capabilities that enable the Air Force and its partners to operate as a ready, innovative, and agile force in the Pacific region.

The program focuses on solutions to support the Air Operations Center (AOC) of the Future, agile combat employment (ACE), and camouflage, concealment, and deception (CCD), steering emerging technology towards solving challenges in the U.S. Indo-Pacific region. Selected companies will work closely with the accelerator team to design pilots around the defense applications of their technology. The cohort will also gain access to a robust network of private investors and commercial partners to grow their commercial business.

Value for Startups

- Defense-specific programming
- Access to venture capital and government stakeholder networks
- Test and evaluation opportunities
- Tech interchange meetings with DoD stakeholders

Key Dates

Open Call — May 29, 2024 Info Session — June 6, 2024 Applications Due — June 21, 2024

In Program — July 15 - Oct. 31, 2024

Demo Day — Oct. 2024

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About NSIN

NSIN is a program office in the U.S. Department of Defense, nested within the Defense Innovation Unit (DIU). We are set up to collaborate with a wide variety of innovators to include universities, researchers, students, entrepreneurs and start-ups. We create opportunities for collaboration across communities and connect those that might not traditionally work in national security. Together, we help drive national security innovation and develop technologies that directly support the individuals responsible for protecting our country.

Once open the public open call announcement made on the NSIN event page is considered to satisfy the reasonable effort to obtain competition in accordance with 10 USC 4025(b), 15 USC 3719 (e) and 10 USC 4022 (b)(2). Any FAR-based actions will follow announcement procedures per FAR 5.201(b) accordingly



