

AI and Data Acceleration (ADA)

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The Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data Acceleration (ADA) initiative continues to be a top priority for the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Joint Artificial Intelligence Center (JAIC). Recently, the JAIC via Army Contracting Command – Rock Island released a prototype request effort on our Tradewind contract vehicle. The submissions from industry provided insights that aided our commitment to innovation and new ways of developing AI for the department. As a part of this continuation, we intend to release another acquisition prototype request under Tradewind that is a higher level than the initial ADA request. It is our objective that this new request will allow for the acceleration of applications on ADA, demonstrations and assessments of capabilities, more industry interactions, and innovations as well as additional internal and external stakeholder involvement throughout the prototype request process. Additionally, we will be able to address some development and planning needs that were identified as a part of the current ADA prototype request. While this will add additional months to our overall schedule, the benefits significantly outweigh the minor pause. Our newest approach will provide greater opportunities to a variety of industry partners, in addition to setting a streamlined procurement pipeline for future ADA projects. We strive to lead the pathway to innovation, while using agility and flexibility in addressing all current and future needs of DoD projects and the delivery of AI capabilities to our warfighters.

Please continue to participate in future competitive opportunities as the government will continue to need innovative solutions. If you submitted a proposal under ADA (TW-21-0003), we highly encourage you to consider submitting under the new prototype request. We greatly appreciate the support our partners in industry and academia provide to promote the delivery of AI capabilities throughout the Department. Please submit any questions to tradewind003@in3indiana.com < Caution-mailto:tradewind003@in3indiana.com >. Updates and responses to questions will be posted to the ADA Opportunity Page.