



Ministry of Defence

SC21: The MOD View

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Defence Strategic Supplier Management



Context: A Changing World

The Defence and Security Industrial Strategy sets out the government's vision for the future of defence and security in the UK:

- treat the defence industry as a strategic capability in its own right
- build closer strategic partnerships with industry in order to meet the evolving threats
- developing and adopting more agile and responsive approaches to acquisition
- maintaining a mutual understanding of the critical capabilities that the UK needs – developing and maintaining the right supply base

SC21 supports each of these aims

Our Priorities

So what does that mean?

To support the defence sector and ensure we have the right supply-chain now and for the future our focus is on:

Skills

Sustainability - Net Carbon Zero agenda

Lessons we've learned from Brexit and Covid

Resilience and risk in the supply-chain

Innovation

Working with Major suppliers



Encouraging Smaller Suppliers



Strengthen
our **supplier**
engagement



Make it **easier**
to do
business with
defence



Improve
procurement
policy and
process



Encourage
innovation

Improved Quality = Better Value

- SC21 is a key improvement programme in the MOD Quality Development Scheme Module 'Supply Chain Quality Management' – helping develop MOD quality practitioners
- MOD has been exploring the benefits of applying elements of SC21 to facilitate improvement in the Defence Supply Chains including the Defence Equipment & Support and the Submarine Delivery Agency organisations.



Where to find procurement opportunities

- Defence Sourcing Portal –
www.contracts.mod.uk
- Contracts Finder
www.gov.uk/contracts-finder
 - wider government opportunities
 - includes Crown Commercial Services
- Visit defence contractors' websites
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