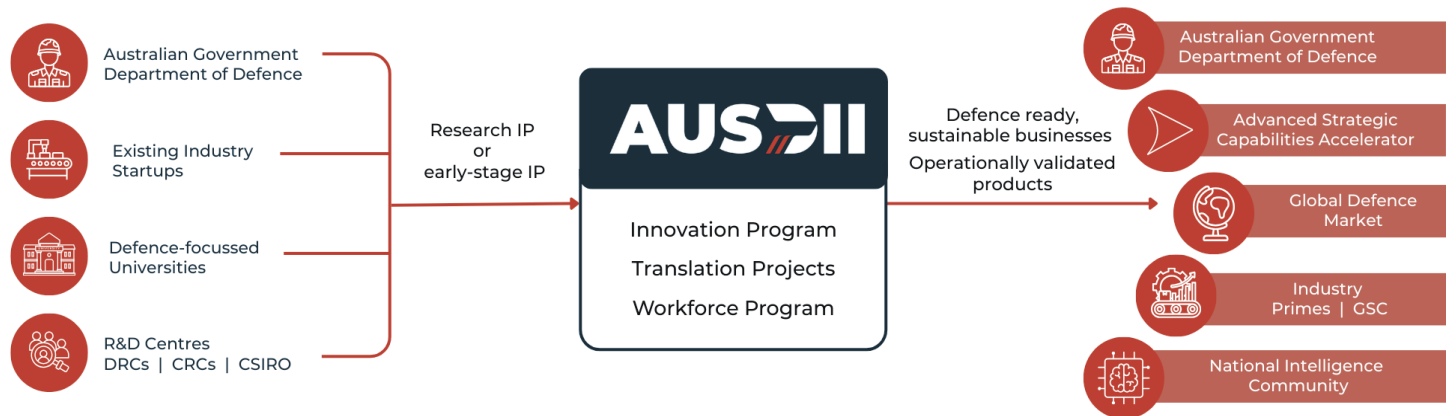


About AUSDII

The Australian Defence Industry Incubator (AUSDII) is a national initiative designed to strengthen Australia's sovereign defence capability by incubating, validating and scaling high-potential dual-use ventures. Building on the success of the Defence Trailblazer program, AUSDII will activate Australia's innovation ecosystem to support ventures to become commercially sound, defence-ready and investment-ready, with technologies prepared for operational testing and manufacturing scale-up.



AUSDII – a commercialisation engine

Why Partner With Us

AUSDII closes a critical gap between technology concept and defence adoption by connecting innovators with operational end-users, expert advisors, technical capability providers, investors, and global networks. Partners gain early access to validated technologies, deep insight into emerging capability needs, and a direct role in enabling sovereign and scalable defence innovation.

Partnership Tiers

AUSDII offers four participation tiers—Strategic, Capital, Core and Foundation—representing different levels of commitment, in-kind contribution, funding, and strategic influence across the defence innovation ecosystem. These tiers ensure a clear and scalable model for national engagement.

Strategic Partners



ROLE

- Shape innovation priorities
- Provide strategic capability and market insight
- Enable scaling and commercial pathways
- Strategic capital partners will also contribute strategic funding that enables industry development, rapid scaling, and ecosystem-wide capability uplift

BENEFITS

- Strategic influence and leadership
- Early insight and accelerated commercial value
- Enhanced organisational value and workforce outcomes

Capital Partners



ROLE

- Shape an investable pipeline
- Strengthen scale-readiness and investment quality
- Catalyse deployment through coordinated investment

BENEFITS

- Strengthened innovation ecosystem and collaboration
- Early access to de-risked investment opportunities
- Deal flow aligned to validated demand and impact outcomes

Core Partners



ROLE

- Drive adoption through collaborative projects and workforce uplift
- Contribute specialist expertise and in-kind capability
- Build ecosystem capability through targeted project and program involvement

BENEFITS

- Strategic positioning and influence
- Accelerated commercial and supply-chain opportunities
- Enhanced talent and capability access

Foundation Partners



ROLE

- Support capability building through targeted project involvement
- Offer focused in-kind support and contextual insight
- Strengthen new ventures through mentoring, coaching and advisory input

BENEFITS

- Improved visibility and ecosystem positioning
- Expanded business and product opportunities
- Strengthened market credibility and workforce outcomes

To get involved with AUSDII and find out more visit dtb.solutions/AUSDII or see over for contact details.

AUSDII AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE INDUSTRY INCUBATOR

How We Work With Partners

AUSDII operates through collaborative venture incubation, translation projects with end-users, technical and commercial readiness programs and workforce pathways, leveraging strong connections across Defence, industry, academia and international partners. The model ensures ventures are technically validated, operationally relevant, and ready for scaling, with clear pathways to manufacturing at volume when required.

Priority Focus Areas

AUSDII accelerates defence and dual-use solutions aligned to national defence priorities, including advanced manufacturing, autonomous systems, cyber and critical infrastructure, information assurance, space, and other emerging capability areas identified by Defence and AUKUS partners.

Governance and Engagement Opportunities

AUSDII is structured as a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee with a skills-based board incorporating Defence and National Security representation. Partners may take part in advisory groups, working groups, venture selection, standards-shaping efforts, and mentoring to ensure operational relevance and future-force alignment.

Funding Structure and Commitments

AUSDII will be a not-for-profit company with funding derived from public, private and fee-for-service offerings. Strategic partners provide multi-year funding that underpins national-scale innovation uplift, while other partner tiers contribute a combination of in-kind capability, operational access and tiered financial contributions to AUSDII projects and programs. This tiered funding approach enables partners to engage with translation projects, readiness uplift activities, workforce programs and collaborative venture development corresponding to their partnership level.

DEFENCE TRAILBLAZER IS ALREADY WORKING TO ACTIVATE THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM WITH:

EXPERT ADVISORS



TECHNICAL CAPABILITY PROVIDERS



INVESTORS



INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS



How to Get Involved

AUSDII welcomes engagement from organisations across Government, industry, research, finance and the broader national security community. For partnership enquiries or a tailored briefing, please contact:

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