DIANA Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic

DIANA announces new cohort of companies for the 2025 accelerator programme

Innovative companies from 20 NATO countries will work with DIANA to develop their dual-use technologies

LONDON (December 11, 2024): The Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic (DIANA) has announced a new cohort of innovative companies will join the Accelerator Programme in January 2025.

The companies are developing deep technology solutions in energy and power, sensing and surveillance, secure information sharing, human health and performance, and critical infrastructure and logistics.

As part of the programme, each company will receive €100,000 to continue iterating their technology solution, along with training and insights from experts in technology, commercial development and defence, and opportunities to test their technology in a variety of specialised environments. Companies in the programme are paired with one of DIANA's network of accelerators for on-the-ground training, development and support.

Headquartered across 20 NATO nations, these innovators specialise in a range of technology fields from quantum sensing to propulsion technology to biomedical equipment. The innovators were selected through a competitive selection process from more than 2600 submissions to DIANA's Challenge call earlier in 2024.

DIANA was established by NATO in 2023 to tackle complex societal challenges through disruptive dual-use technologies. Working throughout the startup and entrepreneurial ecosystems of the 32 NATO Allies, DIANA aims to find and bring together innovative companies developing technologies that could solve key needs for the Alliance. Through public 'Challenge' calls each reflecting Allied priorities in defence, security and resilience, innovators propose technological solutions with the potential to address the challenges and transform society.

"We are proud to welcome the newest cohort of innovators into DIANA," said Professor Deeph Chana, Managing Director of DIANA. "Over the coming months, these creative, highly skilled companies will accelerate the development of their dual-use technologies, as they work to solve a suite of complex, interconnected defence, security and resilience challenges."

"The 2025 innovators form a truly impressive cohort combining deep technological expertise and creative problem-solving," said Chief Scientist Tien Pham. "We look forward to supporting the technical development of these innovators, while connecting them to DIANA's network of mentors, test centres and end users as they grow their companies and apply their ideas to Allied needs." To arrange interviews, please contact:

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About DIANA:

DIANA is the Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic, a NATO organisation with a mission to locate and accelerate dual-use innovation across the Alliance. DIANA provides technology developers with the resources, networks and expertise to address critical defence and security challenges, to create a more peaceful and resilient future. Learn more at <u>www.diana.nato.int</u>.

Key facts:

- DIANA began operations in May 2023, and announced its first cohort of innovative companies in November 2023.
- The companies ('innovators') are drawn from more than 2600 submissions received in the Challenges call, held between July 1 and August 9, 2024.
- Phase I of the 2025 accelerator programme will launch in January 2025.
- Each company will join one of 13 accelerators across the NATO Alliance, where they will benefit from hands-on experience, training and networking.
- Innovators from all of NATO's 32 nations are eligible to participate in DIANA. Joining DIANA provides access to the network of accelerators and test centres across the Alliance, as well as gaining opportunities for investments, increased exposure to defence markets, and commercial advice.
- The competitive selection process comprises eight weeks of evaluations at multiple steps by a network of experts drawn from academia, industry and the public sector from across the 32 NATO Allied nations.
- In DIANA's first year, 44 companies joined DIANA's inaugural accelerator programme, which launched in January 2024.
- DIANA's headquarters is located in London (UK), with a regional hub in Tallinn (Estonia) and a North American headquarters in Halifax (Canada).

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2025 INNOVATORS

APR Technologies AB Atomiver s.r.o (IP Lab Ventures) Blixt Tech AB Defence Security Inductive Power Ltd Hydrogen Refinery Inlyte Energy Kasi Technologies AB

Kitekraft Pure Alchemi (Mormair) ORiS Phasic Energy (Spectrum Strategy) Spherical Systems B.V. Tactical Edge Systems **Terecircuits** Corporation



infrastructure & logistics

2025 INNOVATORS

Aedil AS Blue Armada Robotics DeltaOrbit deltaVision **Dolprop Industries AB Elysium Robotics** Evitado Technologies Inc Fluid Wire Robotics

Fora3D HonuWorx Ltd Materials Testing Inc **Microamp Solutions Reaction Dynamics** Telearmy Wayren

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Akheros Alea Quantum Technologies BioSistemika CUbiQ Technologies Eduworks Factiverse **IS-Wireless** Kinnami Software Corporation myLanguage

Quantropi ResQuant Scaleout SDQ Solutions Canada Secublox **STARNAV** Synaptrain Technologies Inc. TACTIQL

52 North Health Belmont Diagnostics SAS Cogitat Flosonics Medical Gamma Pulse Interact Medical Technologies Manitty

human health **2025 INNOVATORS**

<u>Neuroverse</u>

Qidni Labs Inc QurieGen RealNose Inc Sensible Biotechnologies Swaza



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<u>AI GPR Ltd</u> <u>AI Verse</u>

<u>ElFys</u> InEMsens j.d.o.o. <u>Kelluu</u> <u>Mantacus Inc.</u> <u>Metahelios Ltd.</u> Raymetrics RVmagnetics SaraniaSat Inc. SB Tech UK Ltd THOTHX Winse Power Zelim