



## Robotic Range Clearance Competition

### **SUBJECT: Competitor Letter of Intent to Participate in the Robotic Range Clearance Competition**

**1. Purpose.** OUSD (AT&L)/PSA, LW&M is planning to conduct a Robotic Range Clearance Competition and to award \$2M in prizes. This Competitor Letter of Intent (LOI) will act as an expression of intent to participate in the Robotic Range Clearance Competition. The Competitor team or organization agrees to have a mid-progress review and appear at the Competition site for the final Competition at a mutually agreed upon time, ready to perform. This LOI does not constitute or create, and shall not be deemed to constitute or create, any legally binding or enforceable obligation on the part of either party. OUSD (AT&L)/PSA, LW&M reserves the right to cancel the Competition at any time (including the cancellation of any cash prizes) if dictated by Department of Defense (DoD) priorities, availability of funding, lack of sufficient participation of competitors, or for any other reason determined to be in the interests of DoD.

**2. Background.** Based on the positive response to a previous Request for Information, the Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD), in collaboration with the US Army, is planning to conduct a Competition (with a cash prize for the winner(s)) to foster the ability to clear training ranges of debris and unexploded ordnance using robotic technologies. DoD intends for this Competition to result in viable systems that can be placed into service clearing ranges. To better plan and manage logistical requirements for this Competition, the Competition organizers request that companies or organizations that are planning on entering this Competition make a commitment by signing this LOI. The Competition organizers will publish Competition rules, scoring criteria, and any rule changes in a timely manner.

**3. Competitor Understandings and Agreements.** The points of understanding and agreement are listed below:

- The competitor teams or organizations agree to abide by the rules of the Competition and agree to accept the judges' rulings as final.
- The Competition will be held at Camp Guernsey, WY.
- Competitors will not be reimbursed for any costs incurred by preparing personnel or materials for the Competition, logistics of traveling to or from the Competition site, maintenance of equipment, insurance for equipment or personnel, or any other cost associated with entering, preparing for, or competing in this Competition.
- Any Government Furnished Equipment (GFE) made available to competitors will be on a first come-first served basis, subject to availability and military needs.
- If the competitor becomes unable or unwilling to take part in the Competition, the competitor shall notify the competition organizers immediately of its withdrawal. If the competitor withdraws from the Competition, it will not be allowed to re-enter the Competition and its position in the Competition will be forfeited.

**4. Team Prime.** Each team planning to participate in the Competition shall designate a Prime member. The Prime will be the point of contact with the competition organizers. The Prime will be the representative who signs this LOI for the team. The cash awards for the Competition will be awarded to the Prime. In the event that a member of the team is added or replaced, the Prime is responsible for obtaining approval via the competition organizers. Organizations can participate on more than one team, but they may ONLY be the Prime on one team. No individuals can participate on more than one team. All team members will be listed on Attachment A.

**5. Effective date.** This LOI will become effective when signed by the Prime member and will remain in effect until the final date of the Competition (planned for calendar year 2011). This LOI must be submitted to the competition organizers no later than 5:00PM (EDT) 03 May 2010.

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Team Name

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Signature

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Date

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Organization



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### Attachment A: Team Members

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TEAM NAME			
Company/Organization	POC	Email	Phone