

Defence Innovation Hub Special Notices

Special Notice

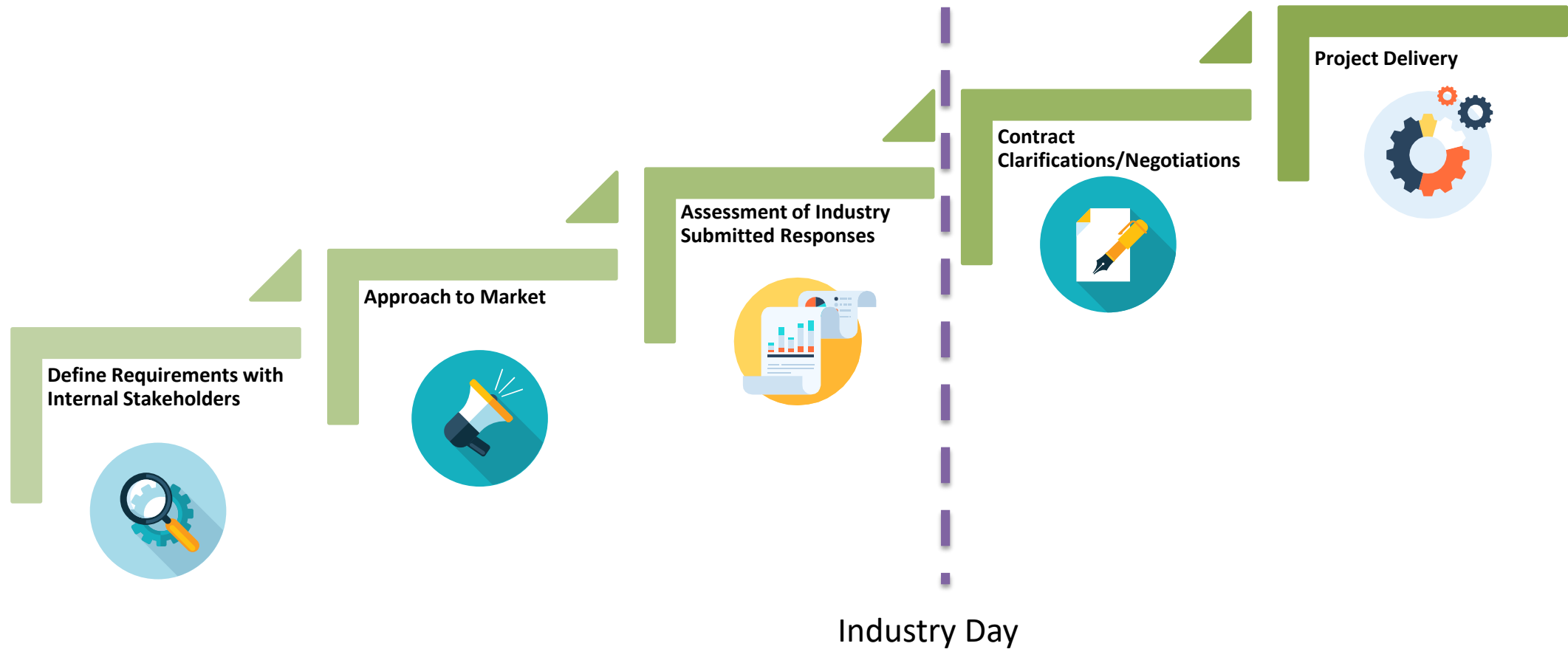
Overview

- **WHAT:** A Special Notice is a novel challenge-based solicitation that allows Industry participants to propose innovative solutions to specific Defence capability challenges.
- **HOW:** Industry participants can respond to a Special Notice via the Innovation Hub Portal.
- **DIFFERENCES TO PRIORITY INNOVATION NOTICE (PINs):** A fundamental difference between Special Notices and the PINs is that Special Notices are a Defence 'Pull' model rather than the Industry 'Push' Model the PINs adopts.
- **PROCUREMENT PROCESS:** The Innovation Hub typically conducts a two-stage procurement process for Special Notices, although sufficient flexibility exists to undertake single stage process if required.



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Hub Key Responsibilities



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Current Special Notices

- **Next Generation Army (attendance at AID 18)** – This Special Notice is seeking to address the following Challenges:
 - To reduce human involvement in the combat team’s engagement and decision cycle using **robotics and autonomous systems**; and
 - To **obfuscate signatures and disrupt efforts to geo-locate Defence systems**, including soldiers, weapons and/or vehicles, whether static or moving.
- **Network Centric Soldier (attendance at AID18)** – This Special Notice seeks to address a shared capability challenge between the Australian Department of Defence and the Israeli Ministry of Defence (IMOD):
 - To develop a Soldier Personal Area Network (SPAN) that connects the soldier to current and future systems and communication networks.

Previous Special Notices

- **Small Unmanned Aerial System of the Future**
 - **47** responses were received from Industry.
 - **3** contracts were executed.
- **Novel Weapons and Novel Effects (including demonstration at Army Innovation Day 2017)**
 - **48** Responses were received from Industry.
 - **4** contracts were executed.
- **LNIC – Next Generation Deployed Wireless Environment**
 - **22** Responses were received from Industry.
 - **1** contract was executed.