

PROPOSED NETWORK INTEGRATION EVALUATION (NIE) CYCLE 14.1 EFFORT

This is the home page for the proposed Director, System of Systems Integration (SoSI) NIE Cycle 14.1 Vehicle Tactical Router effort. This page will be the source of information about this proposed effort. Updated information will be added to this web site as necessary. Other announcements will not be made. All information for this proposed effort will be available here. Interested parties are responsible to keep themselves informed, so it is important to visit this site periodically to ensure that you have all the current information.

BACKGROUND

Agile Process - The Army is transforming its current acquisition methods through the Agile Capabilities Life Cycle Process. The object is to improve efficiency and effectiveness, reducing the amount of time and resources necessary to respond to rapid changes in Soldier requirements by focusing primarily on meeting identified and prioritized Capability GAPS by integrating emerging technologies through industry and Army collaboration. Through a series of seven phases, the Agile process enables the Army to select the most promising technologies that address these Capability Gaps. The Network Integration Evaluation is a critical component of the Agile Process. NIE is an Army hosted event conducted twice a year which seeks out interested sources to identify emerging capabilities. Through the Agile Process, candidates, along with a full brigade Combat Team, participate in parallel system tests and tactical exercises using current force equipment and Army programs, with a secondary goal of evaluating capabilities of the current, theater provided and emerging networks. The exercise assesses developmental networked and non-networked capabilities.

DESCRIPTION

NIE Cycle 14.1 Vehicle Tactical Routers - The contractor will provide Vehicle Tactical Routers (VTR) and engineering/field service support to support laboratory network integration and Laboratory Based Risk Reduction (LBRR) activities including: provide new equipment training to Soldiers, assist in the physical, electronic, software, and data integration of the VTR with emerging and existing equipment, and assist in the preparatory communications exercise to verify connectivity of the equipment to be used in the exercise and trial run. Laboratory assessment will verify Technology Readiness Level (TRL) and determine if the solution meets the technical requirements of the Gap and assess whether the solution meets the architectural requirements for participation in NIE. Participation in the NIE involves integration of the contractor's VTR into/onto a platform for a live field exercise where they will be operated by Soldiers.

CURRENT MILESTONE SCHEDULE

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