



# C5

Consortium for Command, Control  
and Communications in Cyberspace



## TRANSFORMING ACQUISITION

**C5** assists Department of Defense program managers rapidly identify, acquire, demonstrate and transition innovative technologies to the Warfighter through the use of Other Transaction Agreements (OTAs). These instruments are not standard procurement contracts, grants or cooperative agreements, and therefore are not subject to most provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). C5 comprises nearly 1,000 leading technology companies, nonprofits and academic institutions and is the largest single OTA consortium. This scale enables greater reach, more robust competition and a broader range of technology solutions available to the Government. C5's current OTA features a flexible, on-demand solicitation process that can be tailored to match unique project requirements and acquisition strategies. Members are able to collaborate with the Government to identify opportunities, target their technology offerings, expand into new markets and grow their business.

## FEATURES

Broadens the technology base by reaching innovators not readily available to the DoD

Converts "Government contracting" to commercial practices

Rapid acquisition - Projects under \$100M can be competitively awarded quickly

Seamless transition from prototype directly into production

Flexibility in treatment of Intellectual Property

Platform for public/private collaboration

Project awards cannot be protested

# HOW IT WORKS

CMG serves as both the consortium manager and administrator of the OTA for C5, providing an independent, transparent single interface between members and the Government. At any time throughout the year, Government program managers identify their funded needs and request technology solutions from C5. CMG facilitates the solicitation process and works with each interested member to ensure that government expectations are met and statutory compliance is maintained. The Government evaluates the responses and selects the solution(s) that best meets its needs. The selected member(s) collaborates with the Government to establish a Statement of Work and negotiates the price. CMG then awards a sub-agreement to the member(s) for performance of the project.



## BECOMING A C5 MEMBER

Open to large and small businesses, nonprofits and academic institutions. New members can join at any time by completing a simple online application at [cmgcorp.org/c5/membership](http://cmgcorp.org/c5/membership), and pay annual dues of \$500 (waived for academic institutions). New members are eligible immediately to respond to opportunities.

## TECHNOLOGY FOCUS AREAS

- Situational Understanding
- C4ISR and Targeting
- System-of-Systems Architecture
- Tactical and Strategic Networks
- Enterprise Systems
- Artificial Intelligence
- Forensics
- Analytics
- Systems Integration
- Software and Hardware Technologies

- Offensive and Defensive Cyberspace Operations
- Electronic Warfare
- Positioning, Navigation and Timing
- Information Operations
- Intelligence Analysis, Exploitation and Dissemination
- Mobility and Autonomy
- Sensors
- Modeling and Simulation
- Enabling Technologies
- Training



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