S²MARTS Project No 20-08: DoN Additive Manufacturing for Technology Protection (AM-TP)

Request For Solutions (RFS) Project TALX Questions & Answers | Posted Dec 9, 2020

1. **Question:** Are foreign-owned (but US-based) companies allowed to apply to this RFS?
   
   **Response:** No

2. **Question:** Would transfer-printing be considered a form of additive manufacturing?
   
   **Response:** Yes

3. **Question:** Is the referenced DoN AM&TP study available for the public?
   
   **Response:** The study is not available for public release. However, you can make an account on the AT website and request the study. The requests will be reviewed.

4. **Question:** How many awards are anticipated?
   
   **Response:** 6

5. **Question:** Why is additive manufacturing as a process important to the Navy customer? What value or perceived value does AM provide?
   
   **Response:** The classified annex contains technology problems that need more solutions. AM is expected to bring unique solutions to solve those problems.

6. **Question:** Does the restriction against prototype submissions with hazardous materials imply that cannot be the long-term goal for the AM application?
   
   **Response:** Yes

7. **Question:** The AT Security Classification Guide (SCG) requires a government sponsor to access. Can NSTXL help with this sponsorship?
   
   **Response:** The respective AT-SCG will be emailed to all respondents that requested the classified annex.