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**S&T Campaign: Mechanisms
Rapid Innovation Fund (RIF)**

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RIF is a competitive, merit-based program designed to accelerate the fielding of innovative technologies into military systems

The Washington Headquarters Services,
Acquisition Directorate
on behalf of the Department of Defense releases the

**FY 2016 Rapid Innovation Fund
Broad Agency Announcement**
Announcement Number: HQ0034-16-BAA-RIF-0001
Issue Date: March 1, 2016

IMPORTANT

THIS IS A TWO-STEP SOLICITATION PROCESS:

- **STEP 1 – SUBMISSION OF WHITE PAPERS**
- **STEP 2 – SUBMISSION OF FULL PROPOSALS (BY INVITATION ONLY)**

White Paper Submission: DoD begins accepting White Papers **March 15, 2016**.

Deadline for Receipt: White Papers must be **completely** submitted by **3:00 p.m. EDT May 03, 2016**.

Classified White Papers are not accepted under the DoD RIF Program.

Please read the entire solicitation carefully prior to a response.

Help Desk: If you have questions about the Defense Department's RIF Program, please submit to questions@dodrif.com.

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DoD FY2016 Rapid Innovation Fund
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2016 RIF Key Dates

| Event | Date | Time |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|
| BAA is Released on Federal Business Opportunities (FEDBIZOPPS) | March 1, 2016 | N/A |
| Websites Open for White Paper Submission | March 15, 2016 | N/A |
| Amendment with Relevant Questions and Answers Posted on FEDBIZOPPS | April 15, 2016 | NA |
| BAA Closes for White Paper submissions | May 3, 2016 | 3:00 p.m. EDT |

*No anticipated schedule for 2017 RIF has been released

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Do not wait until the last minute to submit your White Paper. If you are in or accessing the submission website at the time of closing, or immediately thereafter, your White Paper could be marked late and will not be evaluated.

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