

Special Notice 13-SN-0020
Special Program Announcement for 2013 Office of Naval Research
Research Opportunity:
Select Topics in Materials Research Technology

The purpose of this amendment is to respond to questions submitted from 17 JUN 2013 to 18 JUL 2013.

Questions and Answers are provided as follows:

Question 1: How should a team featuring academic, corporate, and government labs submit their white paper? Does each institution submit separately or should they submit 3 proposals in parallel?

Answer 1: Proposers should consolidate their collaborative efforts into a single (1) white paper submission that clearly describes the technical contribution and funding allocation for each team member. If the white paper is recommended for full proposal submission, additional instructions will be provided regarding proposal preparation and submission.

Question 2: Do you think it would be beneficial for an academic proposal to include an industrial partner on this call?

Answer 2: As described in 13-SN-0020 (Section V. FULL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AND AWARD INFORMATION) and ONR BAA 13-001(Section III. ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION), teaming is encouraged.

Question 3: If there are equipment needs should those be built into the proposal budget?

Answer 3: Yes, if an equipment purchase is required to perform the proposed work, the cost of the equipment should be included in the proposal budget.

Question 4: When we are ready to submit our Whitepaper with ROM pricing, how do you want to receive this? The Special Notice refers to the ONR 332 secure upload site. Can you please provide any additional instruction on the use of this site?

Answer 4: All necessary white paper submission instructions are provided in 13-SN-0020 in Section IV. WHITE PAPER SUBMISSION. There is no registration required to use the upload site.

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Question 5: Under an award/contract would this ONR 332 site be used for submitting CDRL's?

Answer 5: Instructions for submitting CDRLs and other award/contract requirements will be provided in the award/contract.

Question 6: May FFRDC's submit white papers or proposals in response to this Special Notice?

Answer 6: Special Notice 13-SN-0020 was initially issued under the current, FY 13 Long Range BAA, ONRBAA13-001, entitled, "Long Range Broad Agency Announcement for Navy and Marine Corps Science and Technology" which can be found at <http://www.onr.navy.mil/Contracts-Grants/Funding-Opportunities/Broad-Agency-Announcements.aspx>. Section III, entitled "ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION" of ONRBAA13-001 states that:

"Federally Funded Research & Development Centers (FFRDCs), including Department of Energy National Laboratories, are not eligible to receive awards under this BAA. However, teaming arrangements between FFRDCs and eligible principal bidders are allowed so long as they are permitted under the sponsoring agreement between the Government and the specific FFRDC."

Question 7: For FFRDC's, will a certification from the sponsoring agency - with whom the FFRDC has an agreement - be required as part of the proposal?

Answer 7: For teaming arrangements between FFRDC's and eligible principle bidders, teams should provide proof from the FFRDC's sponsoring agency that the FFRDC itself is permitted to participate in the effort under its sponsoring agreement between the Government and the FFRDC.