Deep Space Advanced Radar Capability (DARC) Interim Contractor Support (ICS) Industry Day Instructions

Introduction

The United States Space Force (USSF), Space Systems Command (SSC), System Delta (SYD 85) is hosting an Industry Day to discuss the upcoming Interim Contractor Support (ICS) requirements for the Deep Space Advanced Radar Capability (DARC). DARC is a critical, multi-site global radar network designed to provide continuous, 24/7 space domain awareness in contested environments. The Government's intent during the ICS period is to secure robust, cadence-based sustainment, maintenance, and logistics support while simultaneously laying the groundwork for a seamless transition to long-term Contractor Logistics Support (CLS). We are seeking industry partners with proven expertise in operating and sustaining geographically dispersed mission-critical infrastructure, executing complex supply chain management under strict Financial Improvement and Audit Remediation (FIAR) standards, and maintaining stringent Department of War (DoW) cybersecurity standards within an Impact Level 5 (IL5) boundary.

Problem Set

Sustaining the DARC enterprise during the ICS period presents a highly complex, multi-tiered logistical and operational challenge. The successful contractor must simultaneously manage Level 1 (on-site) and Level 2 (Depot-Level) maintenance across remote, global sites while operating within strict host-nation environmental, security, and power connection regulations. Furthermore, the contractor must establish a fully functional Contractor-Inventory Control Point (C-ICP) to manage peculiar spares and support equipment, utilizing Scope IMS (Scope Inventory Management System) to ensure 100% accountability and FIAR compliance in the Government's Accountable Property System of Record (APSR). Compounding these logistical hurdles is the requirement to maintain strict system availability (Ao) and cybersecurity compliance Authority to Operate / Risk Management Framework (ATO/RMF) through cadence-managed software version releases, continuous vulnerability remediation, and seamless transition of Contractor Acquired Property (CAP) to Government Furnished Property (GFP). The Government is challenging industry to present agile, data-driven sustainment strategies that resolve these global logistical bottlenecks, minimize peculiar support equipment, and ultimately deliver draft Performance Work Statement (PWS) frameworks that enable a risk-free transition to steady-state CLS.

Location

2424 Garden of the Gods Road, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80919

Agenda - Dates & Times

July 20, 21, 2026 (Days 1 & 2), and July 22, 2026 (Day 3, If needed) | 0900-1700 MST

Day 1: July 20, 2026

- 0900-1000: DARC ICS Program Overview and Q&A
- 1000-1030: 1 on 1 session
- 1040-1110: 1 on 1 session

- 1120-1150: 1 on 1 session
- 1200-1300: Break
- 1300-1330: 1 on 1 session
- 1340-1410: 1 on 1 session
- 1420-1450: 1 on 1 session
- 1500-1530: 1 on 1 session
- 1540-1610: 1 on 1 session

Day 2: July 21, 2026

- 0900-0930: 1 on 1 session
- 1000-1030: 1 on 1 session
- 1040-1110: 1 on 1 session
- 1120-1150: 1 on 1 session
- 1200-1300: Break
- 1300-1330: 1 on 1 session
- 1340-1410: 1 on 1 session
- 1420-1450: 1 on 1 session
- 1500-1530: 1 on 1 session
- 1540-1610: 1 on 1 session

Day 3: July 22, 2026 (If needed)

- 0900-0930: 1 on 1 session
- 1000-1030: 1 on 1 session
- 1040-1110: 1 on 1 session
- 1120-1150: 1 on 1 session

Classification Level

UNCLASSIFIED

Preparation Work

Content will be in either PowerPoint or Adobe format. Material must be submitted by July 8th, 2026, 2359 hrs. Submit material to the following NIPRNet address: joseph.polonsky.2@spaceforce.mil

Attendance

No more than two representatives per company may be in attendance to the Program Overview & Q&A and to brief their material. Attendance notification must be submitted by July 8th, 2026. Only businesses with attendance notification will be allowed in the facility. There will not be any last-minute attendance allowed due to security requirements.

Facility Access

Please provide the following information to gain access to the facility. Provide responses to joseph.polonsky.2@spaceforce.mil by July 8th, 2026.

1) Last Name
2) First Name
3) Middle Initial
4) Citizenship
5) Organization/Firm

A member of the SYD 85 team will meet you at the main entrance security desk (Building C). Please plan to arrive with ample time to get checked in and seated prior to the program overview session.

Directions to BLDG C: West on GOTG Road to 30th. Go straight across 30th. **Go slow** because there is a dip on the far side of 30th that will rip the wheels off your car. Follow GOTG road to the right and you will see the parking lot on the right.