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Strategic Defence Technologies

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Outline

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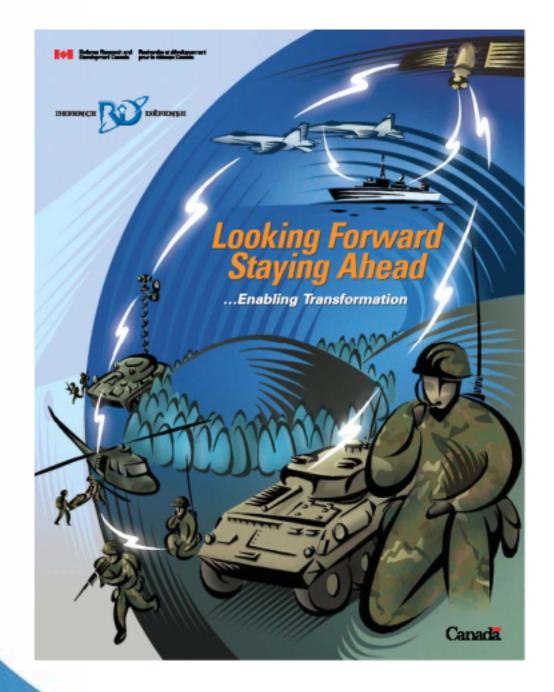


"To ensure that the Canadian Forces are technologically prepared and relevant."



- Advise on Science & Technology
- Conduct Defence R&D
- Assess technology trends, threats, and opportunities
- Support the Canadian Defence industrial base
- Conduct S&T projects with National Security partners



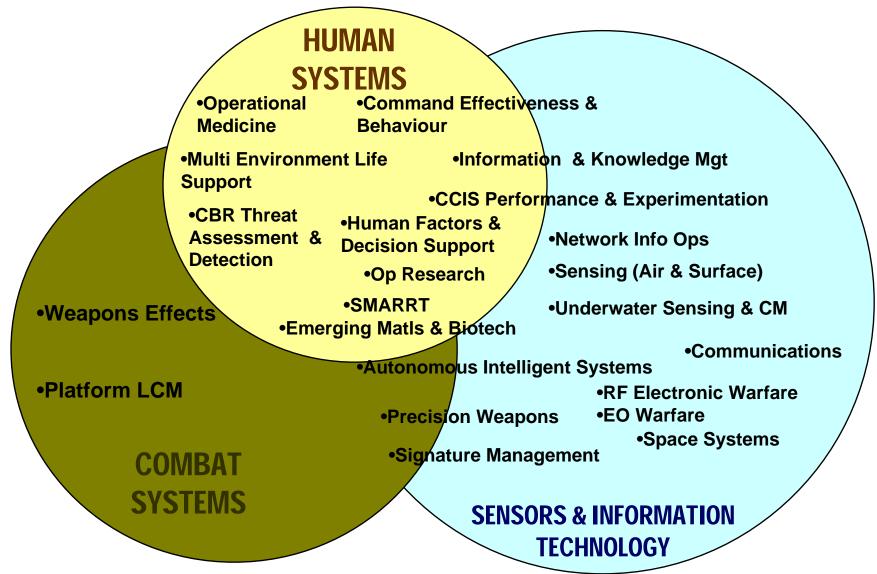


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Technology Investment Framework

- 1. Investment in Strategic Defence Technologies
 - Technology Investment Strategy
- 2. Identification and assessment of emerging disruptive technologies
 - Technology Investment Fund
 - Technology Outlook
- 3. Exploiting Dual Use Technologies
 - Defence Indusrial Program
 - Partnering and contracting
- 4. Adapting and using civilian-driven technologies
 - Technology Demonstration and Experimentation

Technology Investment Strategy 22 R&D Activities





Transformation Concepts

Knowledge Based Command & Sense

- Network Centric Warfare
- The Human in Command
- Effects Based Operations

Generate & Sustain Forces

- Capability-based acquisition
- SMARRT-enabled force generation
- Distributed, deployable training & mission rehearsal

Conduct Operations

- Task tailorable
- Multi-effects capable
- Precisely lethal
- Plug-and-fight coalition ready
- Autonomous operations

Force Protection

- Full spectrum protection
- Information operations
- Fratricide inoculation



Net Centric Warfare Domains

Physical Domain

where strike, protect, and maneuver take place across different environments

Information Domain

where information is created, manipulated and shared

Cognitive Domain

where perceptions, awareness, beliefs, and values reside and where, as a result of sensemaking, decisions are made

Social Domain

set of interactions between and among force entities

Cross-Cutting Domain



TTCP Net Centric Warfare Priority R&D Issues

- Understanding decision-making at all levels;
- Concept Development and Experimentation;
- Operational situational awareness (intelligence, sensors, fusion, etc);
- Countermeasures and counter-countermeasures, from components to systems;
- Information/data management;.
- Network connectivity, including bandwidth management;
- Autonomous, self-organising sensors; and
- Network-enabled lethal and non-lethal weapons, and information operations.



Human in Command: Adaptive Intelligent Interfaces



- The next big challenge
- Management of
 - Time
 - Knowledge
 - Attention
 - What's good...what is to be avoided?
- Where is the book on designing Adaptive Intelligent Interfaces?

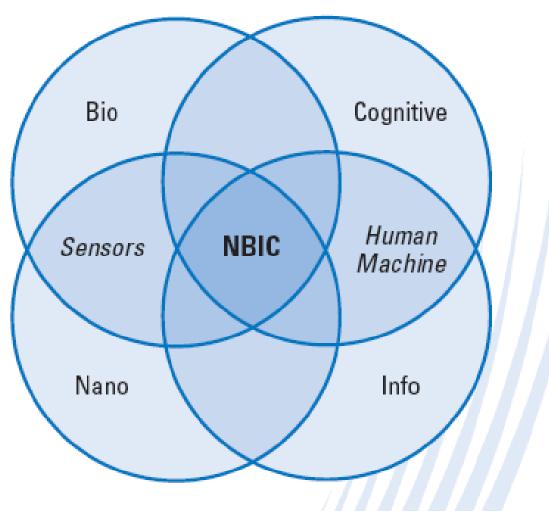


Technology Outlook: Concepts and Technologies currently being assessed

- Convergence of nano/bio/info/cognitive (NBIC) technologies;
- Non-Conventional/Non-Lethal Weapons;
- Technology for Advanced Logistics;
- Autonomous Intelligent Systems;
- Quantum Computing and Encryption;
- Exploitation of Massive Computing;
- Full Spectrum Camouflage;
- Sensors/activators to monitor and improve health and cognitive abilities;
- Next Generation Internet;
- Advanced Power Sources.



Nano-Bio-Info-Cognitive (NBIC) Technologies





Some Possible Technology Convergence Outcomes

- Expanded Human Cognition and Communications, e.g.
 - Rapid learning
 - Translation Implants
 - Brain-to-Machine Interface
- Improved Human Health and Physical Capabilities, e.g.
 - Nano Biosensors to monitor and repair bodily functions
 - Increasing human sensor capabilities
- Swarming Nano Autonomous Intelligent Systems



Theme of the Symposium:

Computers Everywhere and In Everything: exploring the intersection of cyberspace and life and the implications for Defence and Security

Presentation topics will include the following areas:
Global Information Grid out to Year 2010
Complexity and Chaos
Convergence of Nano, Bio, Info and Cognitive Technologies
Next Generation Computing and the Internet
Direct Brain-Machine Interface
Legal, Social and Ethical Interface: Issues in Biosystems
Imagined Worlds



Outcome Expectations

- Engagement of the Defence Community in discussion of Science and Technology Issues;
- Identification of Collaborative Opportunities;
- Indicators for future Research & Technology Investments.