



# Presentation to Training & Simulation Industry Symposium 2021

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# When Acquiring AI

## Lessons Learned



Acquisition of Innovation means *reliance on industry feedback*



Lack of transparency invites industry suspicion



Government employees **must** have good business acumen



Switching from a "Can we?" mindset to a "Should we?"



STEP ONE = DATA ("data readiness")



Intellectual Property becomes an interesting challenge



"Responsible AI" and contract language



Agile contracting, DevSecOps, Software Acquisition Pathway ("DevSecAIops")

# Providing DoD With Innovative Solutions to AI-Specific Problems

- JAIC Acquisition **enables** DoD to quickly and repeatedly identify, acquire, and operationalize critical AI technologies from traditional and non-traditional partners.
- Five decentralized procurement vehicles that enable rapid, ethical AI delivery and easy purchasing of key AI services and enabling tools and address specific challenges associated with AI Acquisition.
  - Educate the DoD workforce on transformative/agile acquisition strategies
  - “Whole-of-Nation” approach to delivering AI
  - Provide AI-unique contracting guidance (data readiness, IP, responsible AI, etc.)
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# JAIC's FY21/FY22 Acquisition Offerings...

## Address the full AI Lifecycle



### **Tradewind OTA:**

Other Transaction Authority (OTA) agreements to guide DoD through the AI algorithm development process from ideation to transition.

**Est launch date:** Q1 FY22

**Currently performing pilot projects with DOD**



### **Test & Evaluation BPA:**

Multiple-award Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) for rapid orders of continuous T&E and independent verification & validation services tied to the unique nature of AI.

**Est launch date:** Q4 FY21



### **Data Services BOA ("DRAID"):**

Multiple-award Basic Ordering Agreements for rapid ordering of data services to address "data wrangling" issues and make DoD data "AI Ready". Future iteration: tie labeled data to Joint Common Foundation (JCF).

**Est launch date:** Q4 FY21

## Provide Key AI Services and Tools



### **Try-Before-Buy CSO ("TryAI"):**

Merit-based Commercial Solutions Opening (CSO) approach to ordering demos of innovative commercial solutions using money or data in support of market research.

**Est launch date:** Q1 FY22



### **AI Talent BPA:**

Multiple-award BPAs so DoD customers can procure advisory & assistance support (A&AS) contractors with the necessary skills and experience to help them achieve their AI goals.

**Open for DoD orders!**

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