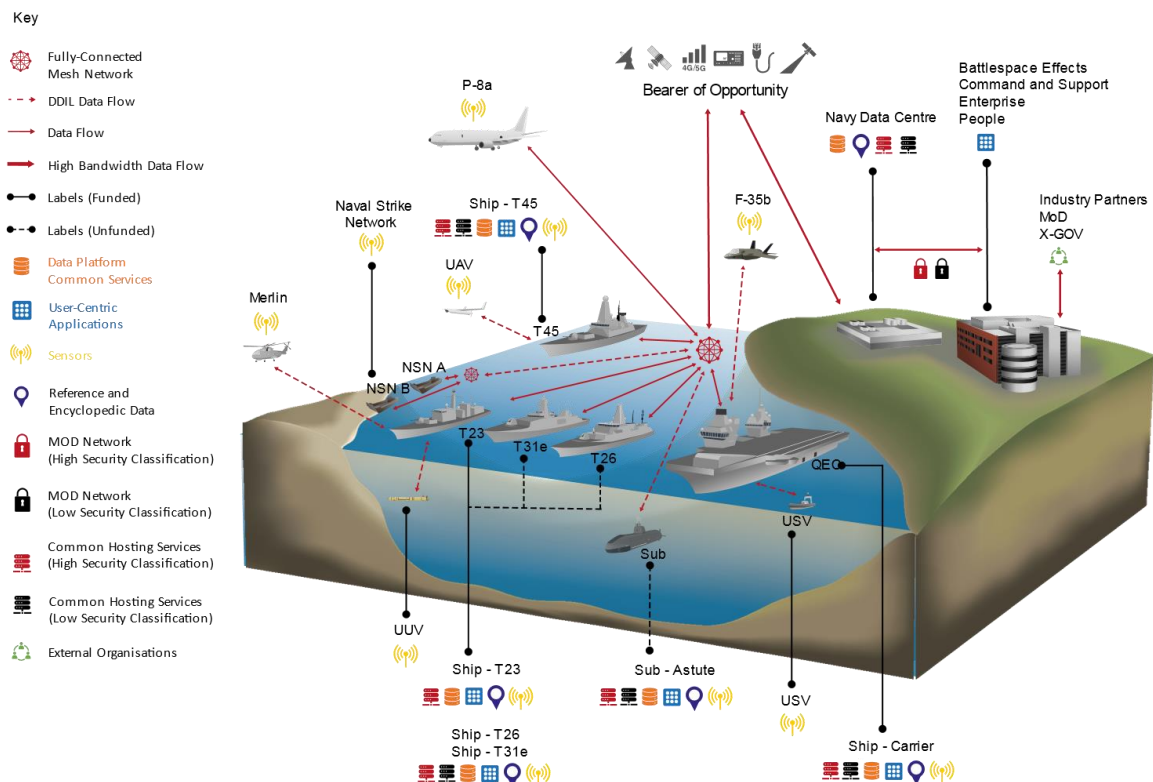


Royal Navy's Maritime Enterprise Planning Groups

The complex problem set faced by the Royal Navy in the modern operating environment calls for a closer alignment with industry. This is required in order to both understand mutual requirements and to pursue transformative capability that will deliver operational advantage in a more agile way.

The inauguration of Maritime Enterprise Planning Groups, aligned to the Royal Navy Capability Planning Groups, will provide a means to have open and honest dialogue with industry. Set within commercial guidelines, they will bring together military and defence industry capability experts on a periodic basis to assist in resolving problem-led procurement questions.



The Royal Navy will be hosting the third Maritime Enterprise Planning Group on Wednesday 3 February 2021 at 1pm to discuss Digital and IT.

The intent for the Maritime Enterprise Planning Groups is to:

- Improve understanding. The problem-led approach to future capability development will drive a closer relationship with and within industry.
- Enhance situational awareness. Providing industry with a common 'customer view' from which they can respond and develop solutions for RN capability requirements.

- Enable alternative thinking. Creating a thought-space where Royal Navy and industry can focus on the requirements for a solution to a problem.
- Deliver agility. Leverage innovation and acceleration pathways to focus on solutions that provide accelerated development.

Outline Plan

Each Maritime Enterprise Planning Group meeting will be held between 1300 to 1600. The outline schedule is:

- Introduction and strategic context from Cdre Mike Knott
- Explanation of the long-term Problem Sets from Lt Col Luke Thomson – Information Warfare Development
- Near-term digital requirements going out to competition from David Tagg-Oram – Navy Digital Services
- Open discussion

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, the event will be virtual and hosted on Zoom. Therefore, discussion will be limited to OFFICIAL. The intent for subsequent events and ongoing engagement will be to host them face-to-face to facilitate discussion at a higher classification. MOD reserves the right to down-select delegates' participation at future events.

Whilst these MEPGs are primarily focused on solving technical problems, technical expertise from Industry is invited to register their attendance.

To register your attendance please email NAVYCOMRCL-MEPG@mod.gov.uk and include 'MEPG Digital' in the title of your email.

Please also only use a business email address to register as, by providing it, you'll agree to allow MOD its use for the specific purposes of developing the MEPG forum and to further their collaborative approach.

Please do not contact individual RN personnel directly about the MEPG events.

NB – due to the need to send out joining information ahead of time, registration emails must be received by 10am on Thursday 29 January 2021 with invitations being sent out by 1 February 2021.