Dear Colleague

We would like to invite you to a brokerage event for the 2016 call of the Horizon 2020 Secure Societies Work Programme.

This year, the work programme places a much greater emphasis on the involvement of end users. Specifically, ten topics in the Work Programme demand that a certain number of end users (or “practitioners”) be involved in any successful consortia.

The UK Home Office, the Knowledge Transfer Network, Innovate UK and the UK security industry trade association RISC will jointly hold a brokerage event focused on bringing end users together with other potential consortia partners. The event will take place on Monday 22 February 2016 from 10:00 to 16:00 at the BIS Conference Centre, 1 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0ET.

The programme will include:

- Briefings on the 2016 Work Programme topics.
- Advice from those successful in previous projects.
- Roundtables for each topic, to allow introductions between industry and end-users and facilitated discussions about how to form consortia/develop proposals.

The following research topics will be covered at the event:

1. Critical Infrastructure Protection: **CIP-01-2016-2017**: Prevention, detection, response and mitigation of the combination of physical and cyber threats to the critical infrastructure of Europe
2. Disaster Resilience: **SEC-01-DRS-2016**: Integrated tools for response planning and scenario building [end-user involvement required]
3. Disaster Resilience: **SEC-02-DRS-2016**: Situational awareness systems to support civil protection preparation and operational decision making
4. Disaster Resilience: **SEC-03-DRS-2016**: Validation of biological toxins measurements after an incident: Development of tools and procedures for quality control [end-user involvement required]
5. Fight Against Crime and Terrorism: **SEC-06-FCT-2016**: Developing a comprehensive approach to violent radicalization in the EU from early understanding to improving protection [end-user involvement required]

7. Fight Against Crime and Terrorism: SEC-08-FCT-2016: Forensics techniques on: a) trace qualification, and b) broadened use of DNA [end-user involvement required]

8. Fight Against Crime and Terrorism: SEC-11-FCT-2016: Detection techniques on explosives: Countering an explosive threat, across the timeline of a plot [end-user involvement required]


For SEC-12-FCT-2016-2017, there are a number of sub-topics:


- Sub-topic: 2.detection and neutralization of rogue/suspicious light drone/UAV flying over restricted areas, and involving as beneficiaries, where appropriate, the operators of infrastructure.

- Sub-topic: 3.video analysis in the context of legal investigation.

- Sub-topic: Others.

We would be delighted to welcome a member of your end user community who is able to represent the interests of, and create links with, the end users from your Member State.

If you are interested in attending, please get in touch with mark.phillips@adsgroup.org.uk, indicating any specific topic(s) in which you have an interest.