

USSOCOM Innovation Foundry (IF14) Event

12 - 14 December 2023

SOFWERX, in collaboration with USSOCOM's Directorate of Science and Technology (S&T) Futures, will host the fourteenth Innovation Foundry (IF14) Event in Tampa, FL, which intends to bring together Special Operations Forces (SOF), industry, academia, national labs, government, and futurists in an exploration, design thinking, facilitated event to assist USSOCOM in decomposing future scenarios and missions. The theme of IF14 was "SOF Aspects of Cyber Security in 2035".

Event Outcomes

- Out of 172 submissions, 60 Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) were downselected to participate in the event
- 28 additional Government representatives observed the IF14 out brief onsite and virtually
- SMEs worked in teams of likeminded talent to participate in design thinking to formulate concepts and solutions
- Teams briefed their concepts to Government representatives on the third day
- Insight gained from the event will be used to shape future efforts for USSOCOM

