

Intelligence Agency Seeks Data Discovery Capability

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) seeks participants with capabilities enabling access to data that is wildly disparate.

VIENNA, VIRGINIA, UNITED STATES, August 18, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Just like the commercial world, the government is drowning in data, and accessing that data to discover the insights hiding within it remains difficult. The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) Disparate Data Challenge encourages participants to offer solutions that can demonstrate effective capabilities that enable access to data that is wildly disparate in its format and schema. The results will be uncovering new possibilities in deep dives of data, with real analytic outcomes.

This challenge will occur in two phases for a total prize of \$200,000 in cash prizes.

Stage 1 requires solvers to implement functioning capabilities that can access the provided datasets that approximate the difficulties associated with accessing and using NGA's data holdings. Stage 1 submissions must be actual capabilities (not white papers) that can perform their functions against the representative datasets specified above. Up to 15 teams will be selected and awarded \$10,000 each and offered an invite to the DC area for a live demo of their capability in Stage 2.

In Stage 2, the first round winners will meet in Washington D.C. to perfect their solutions and demonstrate them live to an NGA panel of judges, hack-a-thon style. First place will take an additional \$25,000; second \$15,000; and third \$10,000 with an opportunity for a pilot contract with NGA.

If you or your company would be interested in participating go to www.challenge.gov/challenge/disparate-data-challenge
This challenge is open to US citizens or US entities only.

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