

HOMELAND SECURITY – FAIRFAX COUNTY EDA WORKS ON BIGGEST TRADE MISSION

British companies involved in the security technology area are invited to express their interest in joining what promises to be the most high level and largest trade mission to the US for a considerable time.

The Fairfax County EDA and other US agencies are working closely with the UK Government on the mission entitled "Science for Security" planned for late October and November that will take between 20 and 30 British companies into the heartland of the US Homeland Security sector.

The mission stems from the recent agreement between the Home Office and US Department of Homeland Security on Science and Technology which has brought to the forefront the need for closer working relationship on the development of security technologies.

UK Trade & Investment will showcase British technologies for security applications during the weeklong mission which will end up in Washington and Fairfax County where a major symposium, workshops and one on one meetings between British and US firms in the sector is planned.

Besides giving UK companies a head start in developing their presence in the US marketplace the mission also aims to develop a strong understanding among UK and US government and industry regarding technological approaches to a variety of security threats, and to explore future technology collaboration focusing on the following areas:

- Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Threats
- Critical National Infrastructure Protection
- Electronic Forensic Technologies
- Emergency Response & Contingency Management

Companies interested in taking part are asked to register their interest by August 7 at www.uktradeinvestusa.com/scienceforsecurity.