

Opportunity Title: Stored energy detection in complex environments

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Application Deadline 3/31/2017 11:59:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description Unclassified Research Topic Description, including Problem Statement:

Historically, efforts to screen for energetic materials have concentrated on detecting specific materials. However, the ability to assess the total stored chemical energy within a parcel or bag would enable qualitative assessments to be made on the probability of items of interest being contained. For example, a large number of batteries, or a battery and an energetic material.

A technique that could assess the total stored energy, regardless of whether that be in a battery or in energetic materials, would be a valuable tool for security screening applications.

Unclassified Example Approaches:

Example approaches are hard to describe as this is an opportunity to be truly innovative. It is anticipated that an examination of the properties of material bonds or quantum physical properties of materials may have some success in this area.

Eligibility Requirements

- Citizenship: U.S. Citizen Only
- Degree: Doctoral Degree.
- Discipline(s):
 - Business (<u>11</u> ●)
 - Chemistry and Materials Sciences (12. •)
 - Communications and Graphics Design (6_)
 - Computer, Information, and Data Sciences (16 ♥)
 - Earth and Geosciences (21 🍩)
 - Engineering (27 ●)
 - Environmental and Marine Sciences (14 👁)
 - Life Health and Medical Sciences (45)
 - Mathematics and Statistics (<u>10</u> <a>
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 - Other Non-Science & Engineering (13 ②)
 - Physics (<u>16</u> •)
 - Science & Engineering-related (1)



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