



ASX Announcement

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Hydrix Advancing Strategic Defence Activities

Hydrix Limited (ASX: HYD) provides an update on the Company's Defence strategy, including progress developing and identifying intellectual property with commercial potential across Australian and allied Defence markets.

Australia's 2026 National Defence Strategy committed **A\$425B** to the Integrated Investment Program (IIP), including **\$7B** for counter-drone and counter-UAS capability. Hydrix opportunities are being prioritised against Defence requirements, technology readiness and their potential contribution to Australian sovereign capability.

Internal IP Development

Hydrix has commenced development and feasibility testing of sensing technologies with multiple use cases, including potential UAS, counter-UAS and persistent ISR applications. Early prototypes are being developed and tested, with Hydrix assessing technical performance, market requirements and pathways to commercialisation.

This work draws on Hydrix capabilities in advanced sensing, autonomous systems, AI/ML, mission-critical embedded systems and high-reliability electronics which are supporting technologies being developed for priority Defence applications for Australia and its allies.

Identifying and Commercialising New IP

In parallel, Hydrix is engaging with universities and research organisations to identify world-class technologies with commercial potential, including opportunities in sensing and Edge AI.

Potential commercial outcomes include IP licensing, engineering development, industry and Defence trials, and delivery into Australian and international Defence markets.

Defence Industry Engagement

Hydrix continues to expand its relationships across the Defence innovation ecosystem, identifying commercial opportunities and testing market demand through direct industry engagement and forums including ADSTAR, the Land Environment Working Group and the upcoming Land Forces International Land Defence Exposition.

Hydrix's Defence strategy brings together three elements: proprietary intellectual property, specialised product development capability and Defence industry relationships. The Company is pursuing opportunities to develop and commercialise technologies aligned with priority Defence requirements and Australian sovereign capability objectives. Hydrix's objective is to build a portfolio of technologies capable of generating larger and more enduring revenue streams over time.

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Hydrix Limited (ASX: HYD) is an Australian technology company operating across medical technology, defence, industrial and mining. The Group combines multidisciplinary engineering, technology investment, intellectual property development and commercialisation to create long-term value for customers and shareholders.

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