

# Army Portfolio Management Solution (APMS) Training Module

**External IT Service Registration** 

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#### **External IT Service Contracts**

- The purpose of this guidance is to provide clarification regarding how to register external IT service contracts in APMS.
- PLEASE NOTE: IT service contracts are captured in two different ways in APMS.
  - 1. IT service contracts that are in <u>direct support</u> of a registered IT investment are recorded in the investment's record (i.e. ERPs, programs of record, network infrastructure, etc.). Examples of investment-related service contracts include application training support, system administrators, etc.
  - 2. External IT service contracts that <u>do not directly support</u> a registered investment are captured in a separate IT service contract record. These are the focus of this tutorial.



#### Memo, Subject: ITIA Requirement – Use of the IT Approval System

- The CIO signed out the Memorandum, Subject: Information Technology Investment Accountability (ITIA) Requirement— Use of the Information Technology Approval System (ITAS) on 26 February 2021 as directed by the SECARMY in the 21 July 2020 memorandum, Subject: Information Technology Investment Accountability.
- Effective Immediately:
  - Prior to procurement, Army organizations must, via ITAS, request and receive approval to procure the following IT:
  - (1) Hardware.
  - (2) Software; including but not limited to software licenses, software license renewals, and software subscriptions.
  - (3) External IT services—all contracted labor for IT support. This category of IT includes, but is not limited to, the following Commitment Item (CI) codes in the General Fund Enterprise Business System (GFEBS):
    - (a) 251K: Management and professional support services for IT.
    - (b) 251M: IT studies, analysis, and evaluation.
    - (c) 251N: IT engineering and technical services.
    - (d) 257F: Network management and systems administration support.
  - (4) Cloud environments. Further details on cloud procurement are forthcoming

This training module focuses on #3, External IT services.



#### **External IT Service Contracts Not Associated With an Investment**

External IT service contract records may include costs of external personnel required for delivering or supporting IT services, including direct operational activities and support, management and administrative activities. The following are some examples of IT services that may require an IT Service contract record:

- Commercial telecommunication bills where the Army does not own any of the actual telecommunication infrastructure (i.e., base communications)
- IT exercises that are facilitated by external non-Army organizations
- IT consulting services
- General IT management support not associated with a registered system, infrastructure item, etc.

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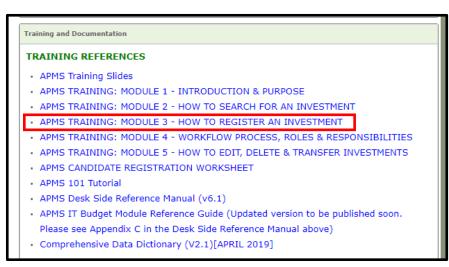
#### Creating External IT Service Contract Records in APMS

- The APMS command administrators may choose to register external IT service records down to the sub-organization level for better fidelity, but it is recommended for a Command/Organization to have the minimum of one SVC record to consolidate their external IT services. These records should be binned in the appropriate domain in the Enterprise Information Environment Mission Area (EIEMA)(Communications, Computing Infrastructure, Core Enterprise Services or Information Assurance). For example, if the service supports general network maintenance and testing, the record will align with the EIEMA Communications Domain.
- APMS Record Naming Convention
  - When registering an external IT service contract record in APMS, the suggested naming convention is as follows: Start with "SVC" followed by the command name and then add the suborganization name, service type or another appropriate descriptor.
  - EXAMPLES: SVC- COMMAND-SUBORG; SVC-COMMAND-BASECOM; SVC-COMMAND-EXTSVC



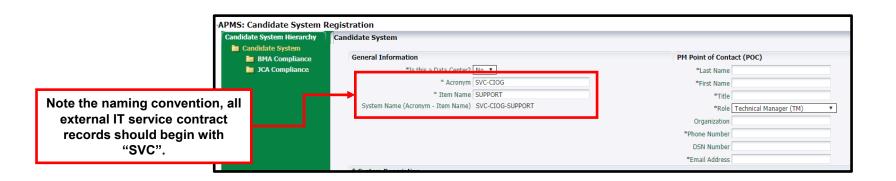
#### **How to Register an External IT Service Contract**

- There is a tutorial on the APMS homepage in the "Training and Documentation" section that gives directions on how to register an IT investment. The examples on the following slides are not guaranteed to match your particular requirements. Certain fields (not all) are highlighted in the next slides.
- Any questions regarding how to register your particular investment should be directed to your Command or SubOrg Administrator.





## Filling out the Candidate Registration Form 1/5



This is an example of a general system description for an external IT support contract record. If you are registering a different kind of IT service record (not external services), you can alter the description to meet your needs.

\* System Description

This record includes external IT service contract costs that are not associated with any IT investment that is required to be individually registered in APMS per policy. External IT service costs in this APMS record will include any IT Contract Support supporting HQDA CIO/G-6.

Per the IT Investment Accountability directive, external IT Services include the costs of external personnel required for delivering or supporting IT services, including direct operational activities, support, management, and administration activities associated with IT. External IT services also include the business and technical expertise to enable the Army to create, manage, or optimize access to information and business processes.

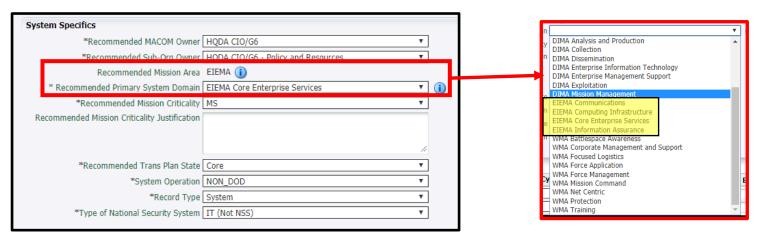
Users of this record includes personnel in the CIO/G-6.]

Please note that the sample input should be updated with your applicable Command/SubOrg information.



## Filling out the Candidate Registration Form 2/5

The Mission Area/Domain should be aligned to one of the EIEMA Domains based on the type of support the service contract provides.



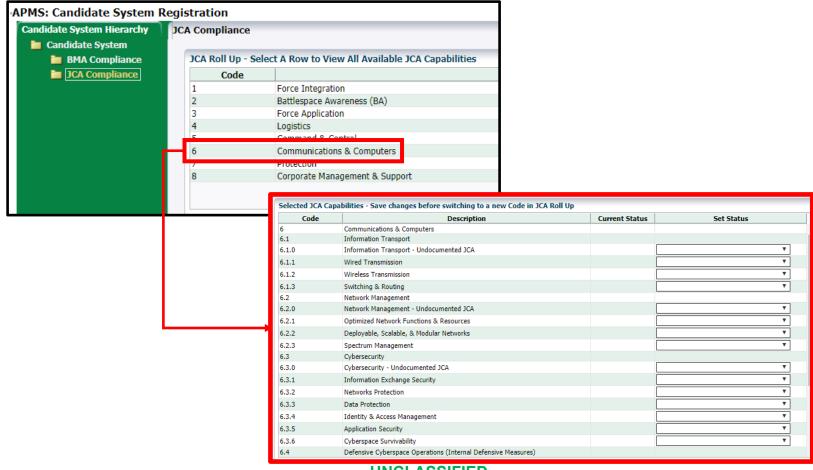
- <u>EIEMA Communications Domain</u> The ability to share and protect information across DoD and with partners (JCAs: Information Transport; Wired Transmission; Wireless Transmission; Switching & Routing)
- <u>EIEMA Computing Infrastructure Domain</u> Includes computing infrastructure for the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, control, and display of data or information, with a primary emphasis on Army enterprise hardware, software operating systems, and hardware/software support that enable the DODIN-A. (JCA: Computing Services)
- <u>EIEMA Information Assurance Domain</u> Comprehensive IA capabilities and training that provide assured information sharing, a highly available enterprise, cyber situational awareness, network defense, and assured enterprise management and control.(JCAs: Cybersecurity; Information Exchange Security; Network Protection; Data Protection; Identity & Access Management; Application Security; Cyberspace Survivability; Defensive Cyberspace Operations; Cyberspace Defense)
- <u>EIEMA Core Enterprise Services Domain</u> The ability to provide to all authorized users awareness of and access to all DoD information and DoD-wide information services. (JCAs: Information Sharing; Common Enterprise Services; Positioning, Navigation & Timing)

<sup>\*</sup>More specific information on the JCAs that align to the EIEMA Domains is on the next page and in the JCA resources on the APMS home page.



## Filling out the Candidate Registration Form 3/5

All APMS investments must be aligned to Joint Capability Areas (JCAs) that correspond to the appropriate domain. All IT service contracts should align to a domain in the EIEMA, so choose the applicable 6-series JCAs (see previous slide).





# Filling out the Candidate Registration Form 4/5

Many of the questions that are in the Candidate Registration fields are meant for IT systems, not service contracts. It is recommended, though not mandatory to choose the following answers: (note numbers in the following list correspond to numbers in red boxes to the right)

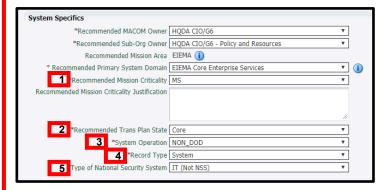
1. Recommended Mission Criticality: (MS) Mission Support

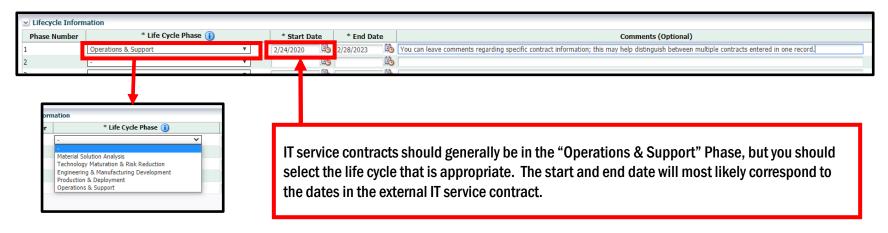
2. Recommended Trans Plan State: Core

3. System Operation: NON\_DOD

4. Record Type: System

5. Type of National Security System: IT(Not NSS)







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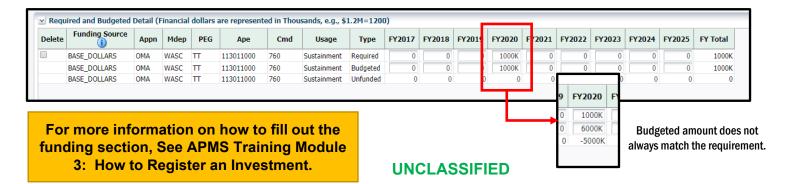
Funding information should come from a person in a resource or G-8 role. If you don't know where to get this information, contact your Command/SubOrg Admin. If the dollars are appropriated, you will need the "Key4" information to input: MDEP, Appropriation, APE and Command Code.

After entering the Key4, you will need to make sure that you add what the funding requirement and actual budgeted amount (the approved amount you know you are actually getting) for AT LEAST THE CURRENT FY.

Your budgeted amount does not have to match the requirement (if you are not getting the full funding requirement). It is okay for them not to match, but the budgeted amount should generally exceed the requirement.

NOTE: After your Candidate Investment is approved, you will need to up date the IT Budget module in your record and make sure that the funding data is input within 30 days and prior to submitting any ITAS waivers.

Army Required Info Core System Info System POCs Mission Criticality FISMA Infrastructure App Migration/Rationalization PKI/IA E-Authentication PIA JCA **Data Validation** Records Management Dependencies Required and Budgeted Detail IT Budget Additional Army Data Investment Component Document Upload/Historical Comments



#### Questions?

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Each Army Command/Organization has it's own internal processes and requirements. You should always contact your APMS Command/SubOrg Admins to make sure that you are following any additional requirements other than those outlined here.