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Welcome to Carpe Datum's **Federal Data Prospector** (Vol. 2, Issue 47). As Election Day has finally arrived here in the U.S., much of the world will be closely watching what happens next. Hopefully, all proceedings will occur in a normal and peaceful manner – with eyes carefully trained on the battleground states of Florida and Pennsylvania! As always, please be sure to spread the love and share our free pub with any and all friends, colleagues and loved ones: [click on this link to sign-up.](#)

- **Request for Proposal (RFP) – DoD/Department of the Air Force -- VAULT Support IDIQ - Solicitation** – The purpose of this contract is to obtain contracted subject matter expert support (SME) to advise on and/or perform: data preparation and architecture, development of agile algorithmic solutions, evaluate and/or execute data governance and data maturity models; and conduct data analytics using state of the art mathematical and machine learning/artificial intelligence techniques and other data analytic lines of research/effort aligned with Air Force enterprise guidance and governance.

In other data news, on October 27th, **Federal News Network** published an interesting article entitled “**CMS untangles its data infrastructure to enable AI-powered fraud detection**” in which the author, Jory Heckman, describes how agency program offices have found plenty of opportunities to save time and money through artificial intelligence and automation pilots. But unlocking the full potential of those tools requires agencies to spend time improving their data infrastructure.

- “The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, for example, is looking at using AI and machine learning tools to flag fraud, waste and abuse. But first, Deputy Chief Information Officer Bobby Saxon said the agency needs to make its data systems — made up of 30 data warehouses and three enterprise data lakes — more cohesive.”

### The Carpe Datum Team

## Opportunities & Solicitations

FA701421R0005 - VAULT Support IDIQ - Solicitation  
*Dept. of Defense*

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### Pre-Employment Screening Program (PSP) Support and Services

*Dept. of Transportation*

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), a bureau of the U.S. Department of Transportation, has a requirement for Pre-Employment Screening Program (PSP) Support and Services. The period of performance includes Transition Periods, Base Period of 12 months, plus four (4) 12-month Option Periods...

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### COLLABORATIVE, HIGHLY EXTENSIBLE MOBILE MACHINE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION OF SPATIAL INFORMATION (CHEMISTRI)

*Dept. of Defense*

The Information Directorate of the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL/RI), Rome Research Site, is soliciting white papers under this broad agency announcement (BAA) for innovative technologies that digitize operational collaboration for military operations...

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- Management of the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System -*Dept. of Justice*
- Information Innovation Office (I2O) Office-wide -*DARPE*
- PoliticoPro Plus annual subscription for up to 20 -*Dept. of Interior*



## Sole Source Opportunities

### Sole Source for Data Append and Affiliation Analysis *SBA*

This is a sole source justification to support an out of scope change for an existing order against Federal Supply Schedule contract GS-00F-022DA with Dun and Bradstreet...

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### Sole Source Award Notice: Costar Subscription *Dept. of Health and Human Services*

CoStar is uniquely suited to meet these needs. CoStar provides information, analytics, leasing and marketing services related to the commercial real estate industry with leading brands such as LoopNet, Showcase and CityFeet, to name a few...

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## Competition

GSA

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This Justification for an Exception to Full and Open Competition is to support the award of a 24-month sole-source contract to Bunkerhill Health Inc...

## Collaborative Data Science Using Federated Learning

National Science Foundation

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This “Justification for other than full and open competition” is written by the National Science Foundation’s (NSF) Division of Acquisition and Cooperative Support (DACCS). The division requesting the justification is the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES)...

# Opportunity Updates

## Data Analytics for Multi-Domain Data Sets

Dept. of Defense

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Questions and Answers - Oct. 28, 2020

## Intelligence, Science, and Technology Partnership (INSTEP) RFI

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Updated Response Date - Nov. 5, 2020

# Contract Awards

## Perspecta awarded more than \$519 million in classified mission support work

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Perspecta Inc. (NYSE: PRSP), a leading U.S. government services provider, announced today that it was awarded multiple classified programs to provide mission support to U.S. government customers through the delivery of high-end systems engineering and integration, data analytics, cybersecurity, cloud/IT services and software development...

# Agency News

## Administration Adds 16 Months to Transition from DUNS to Unique ID

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The General Services Administration will extend Dun & Bradstreet’s

services while agencies get more time to patch and test systems...

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## GAO offers recommendations on DHS efforts to improve workforce

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The Government Accountability Office (GAO) has issued the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) three recommendations regarding the department's efforts to improve workforce planning and monitoring...

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## DOD Official Confident in Cybersecurity Certification Body's Business Model

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The volunteer group taking on the Pentagon's new system of contractor audits has taken out lines of credit, the official said...

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- [Defense Innovation Unit out to prove AI, automation can keep up with the speed of cyber](#)
  - [DARPA's Information Innovation Office Seeks New Research Ideas](#)
  - [SBA IG raises alarm about disaster loans during coronavirus pandemic](#)
  - [NOAA and Google to apply machine learning to satellite data](#)
  - [Government taps AI and machine learning to analyse Test and Trace data](#)
  - [Senators Urge Investigation After CBP Admits to Warrantless Cell Phone Surveillance](#)
  - [CBP has put money towards catching forced labor products; now it needs manpower](#)
  - [CMS, IRS Senior Leaders Talk Using AI to Automate Data Processing, Fraud Detection](#)
  - [How the U.S. patent office is keeping up with AI](#)
  - [CBP's supply chain efforts are screaming for AI](#)
  - [Accenture Federal Services and Criterion Systems Awarded Position on US Department of Agriculture IT Support Services Blanket Purchase Agreement](#)
  - [Senators Call for Investigation of CBP for Illegally Tracking Americans](#)
  - [How High-Performance Computing Can Strengthen the U.S. Government](#)



## General Government News

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### Top 10 AI Government Projects in the World

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The role of different governments of the world in the field of AI ...

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### 5 Ways Big Data and Artificial Intelligence Could Change the Landscape of Government Contracting

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In recent years, big data and artificial intelligence (AI) have received significant attention, mainly in the commercial sector, but increasingly so in the federal government...

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### Government to spend up to £20m on 'border flow' contract with CIA-backed big data firm Palantir

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Newly published procurement information reveals that the Cabinet Office has awarded an initial one-year deal that will be worth £7.85m to the US firm. Two optional one-year extensions – worth £6.125m each – could take the value of the contract past £20m...

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- [How Agencies Can Better Combat Fraud in Federal Programs](#)
- [Data literacy in the federal government](#)
- [How politicians target you: 3,000 data points on every voter, including your phone number](#)

## Industry Highlights

### Behind Neustar Second-Party Marketplace That Taps iSpot, Scanbuy, Foursquare Data

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The marketing solutions arm of Neustar recently partnered with iSpot, Scanbuy, and Foursquare to launch a second-party data marketplace powered by Fabrick, a unified identity-based ecosystem connecting brand, publishers, and platforms...

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### Biden, Democrats vow to rein in financial data collectors, citing breakdowns

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Three credit reporting giants that collect financial data on 220 million Americans face a major crackdown if Democrats regain power in Washington, with Joe Biden and senior lawmakers calling for a sweeping industry overhaul...

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### Qualtrics Emphasizes Engagement to Administer COVID Vaccine

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Qualtrics last week became at least the third company to announce new vaccine management software, after Accenture earlier this month and Salesforce in September...

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### Beroe, Tealbook Partner On Boosting Supply Chain Visibility

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Procurement intelligence firm Beroe has teamed with Tealbook, which provides enterprise supplier information, to increase supply chain visibility, a press release says...

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- [ICO takes enforcement action against Experian after data broking investigation](#)
- [TransUnion Beefs Up Credit Reports As Lenders Seek More Info](#)

- Experian and Unqork Partner to Help Businesses Make Data-Driven Decisions Through Unique No-Code Platform
- PayPal-Backed Blockchain Analytics Firm Hires Former US Treasury Adviser
- Former DHS US Secret Service Agent Michael Hartenstein Joins LexisNexis Risk Solutions as Director of Federal Public Safety
- Sherlonda Goode-Jones Appointed to Lead Guidehouse Public Sector Financial Services Practice
- Equifax and Urjanet Named LendIt Fintech "Most Promising Partnership"
- Palantir Technologies Could Be Your Top-Secret Big Data Holding
- Accenture Partners with The Alan Turing Institute to Research Emerging Tech; Adrian Smith, George Marcotte Quoted
- Facebook Could Soon Be the Latest Big Tech Company Hit With Antitrust Charges
- Accenture Federal Services and Criterion Systems Awarded Position on US Department of Agriculture IT Support Services Blanket Purchase Agreement
- Kharon Announces Appointment Of Two New Advisory Board Members



## Industry Events

GEOINT Community Forum (11/16-18/20, Virtual) -- The Convergence of Commercial Content with AI/ML to Provide Clarity

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November 16 - 19, 2020

This forum will offer discussions on current challenges and strategic initiatives related to the role of commercial technology and innovation including artificial intelligence, machine learning, automation, augmentation, cognitive computing, computer vision, and commercial data sources in geospatial intelligence...



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