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Welcome to Carpe Datum's **Federal Data Prospector** (Vol. 2, Issue 48). Are we having fun yet?! It appears that the U.S. Federal Government is on the cusp of a complete and total transition of power over the next three months. You can rely on Carpe Datum to track all aspects of this process as it relates to relevant news, shifting priorities and, most importantly, the evolving procurement agenda the new Biden Administration. Tune it, buckle up and get ready to sell some data and analytics to a brand gv gnnew audience!

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- **Market Research Request (MRR) issued by the DoD/Air Force - United States Central Command (USCENTCOM) – Enterprise Capability for Vendor Vetting** – The Contractor shall provide an integrated discovery tool/solution for parsing through massive amounts of open web and dark web data sources to identify criminal or terror networks or relationships associated with foreign vendors seeking government contracts. The tool shall identify maligned actors and contractor's relationship requiring human review/action

In other data news, on November 5th, **GovernmentCIO** published an interesting article entitled “**DHS Procurement Innovation Lab Chief: 'We Succeed or Fail Together'**” in which the author, Kate Marci, describes how artificial intelligence, blockchain and robotic process automation are just a few of the technologies the Department of Homeland Security hopes to incorporate into IT operations, according to Chief Procurement Officer Soraya Correa.

- “I've always been one of those individuals that really believes there's got to be a better way to do this,” Correa said at the virtual event. “A lot of our contractors have really good ideas about how to do things, but we become risk averse sometimes. We fear that almighty criticism or that we may not be supported if we make a mistake. To be successful, sometimes you're going to stub your toe, you're going to make a mistake and learn from those mistakes.”

The Carpe Datum Team

Opportunities & Solicitations

Market Research Request - Enterprise Capability for Vendor Vetting

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USCENTCOM is conducting market research to determine the solutions available to address the prospective requirement described below and current costs for budgeting purposes...

Aviation Safety Information Analysis and Sharing (ASIAS) Architecture and Advanced Analytic Capabilities Support
Dept. of Transportation

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The FAA is seeking information on commercial capabilities to design, build and sustain the next generation architecture and associated tools and processes to collect, cleanse, store, organize, integrate, analyze and share aviation safety data and information for the Aviation Safety Information Analysis and Sharing (ASIAS) program...

Internet Surveillance and Data Review
Dept. of Health and Human Services

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Sources Sought Internet Surveillance and Data Review...



Sole Source Opportunities

Meltwater Subscription
Dept. of Defense

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The JECC has a requirement for a subscription service that monitors traditional news sources as well as social media, blogs, Reddit posts and TV broadcasts which are collected and archived in a searchable CRM tool for easy reporting and analysis...

Fairplay Subscription IHS Global
Dept. of Defense

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineer (USACE), New Orleans District Office intends to negotiate a firm-fixed price contract with IHS Global on a sole source basis under the authority of FAR Subpart 13.106-1(b)...

SeaWeb Subscription IHS Global
Dept. of Defense

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Blockchain Software Soutlion
DISA

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The Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) Mainframe Line of Business (MLOB) is seeking information from industry to assist with the development and planning of a potential new requirement...

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- B--DIGITAL IMAGE AND DATA PROCESSING - *Dept. of Interior*
- Bloomberg Subscription - *Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation*

Opportunity Updates

FA701421R0005 - VAULT Support IDIQ - Solicitation
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Solicitation Updated - Nov 4, 2020

Contract Awards

New Light to Help FEMA Develop Geospial Systems

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NuWave Solutions and Accenture Win Work to Build New Intelligence and Observation Management System for the Office of Naval Intelligence

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NuWave Solutions, a leading provider of advanced data analytics, was recently awarded a subcontract to work with Accenture Federal Services on the Information Warfare Research Project (IWRP) to support ONI...

Bloomberg Tax To Provide IRS With Tax Research Under New Multi-Year Contract

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Bloomberg Tax & Accounting today announced that it was selected by the IRS for a multi-year contract award to provide the agency with its comprehensive online tax research solution Bloomberg Tax...

Agency News

DHS Procurement Innovation Lab Chief: 'We Succeed or Fail Together'

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The agency is exploring the benefits of technologies like AI, blockchain and RPA in federal procurement...

How a small AI company found a way to scale its work for DOD

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Despite all the prototype contracts and research grants the Department of Defense feeds to eager startups, that work rarely scales to the type of multimillion-dollar deals the government gives to big prime contractors...

How Federal Agencies Are Using AI in Procurement

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DHS and the IRS use the technology to streamline IT operations...

A Look at the FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse Numbers & How it Relates to Year-End Queries

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The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse is a long-needed tool for regulated employers to help them identify drivers who are prohibited from performing safety-sensitive duties based on drug and alcohol program violations or test refusals...

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- IRS taking big step towards IT modernization
- The Federal Maritime Commission falls victim to digitalisation
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- NGA adds small sat imagery to its unclassified collection



General Government News

What is big data and why is there so much buzz around it?

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In all my interactions with so-called 'big data gurus' and 'data scientists' in Pakistan, my one alarming observation was that they all proudly claim that data will show whatever they want it to show and do...

Social media can guide public pandemic policy, research finds

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Social media analytics now a valuable tool in understanding the thoughts and actions of the public during a pandemic...

Big data, big potential, big challenges

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Autonomous vehicles will process about one gigabyte of data per second, according to US tech company Intel, roughly equivalent to an hour of standard definition television...

Analytics wins by a landslide to curb voter and election fraud

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Millions of voters, multiple ways to cast a vote and thousands of candidates and issues. Elections are data-rich events, and as the 2020 U.S. presidential campaigns made clear, fraud involving all that data is a hot topic...

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- [UK may use controversial tech giant Palantir to improve its struggling test and trace system after No10's bungling programme gives 7,000 people WRONG self-isolation dates](#)
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Industry Highlights

Antitrust probe: US Federal Trade Commission could sue Facebook by November end, says report

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The US Federal Trade Commission (FTC) could file a lawsuit against Facebook alleging antitrust violations before the end of this month...

Experian, data brokers, ICO enforcement and digital advertising

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Recent findings by the UK's Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) in relation to credit reference agencies' data practices will impact thousands of businesses that rely on data brokers and also provide insights on how the authority interprets core provisions of data protection law...

Foursquare Completes Business Model Pivot; CEO Resigns

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On Friday (Nov. 6), CEO David Shim announced his intention to step down as head of the company by Jan. 1, 2021. He will be succeeded by Gary Little, a member of the company's board and managing director of the Raine Group...

Descartes Systems acquires ShipTrack for up to \$50M

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Descartes Systems Group (TSX: DSG; NASDAQ: DSGX) acquired ShipTrack, a leading provider of ecommerce final-mile solutions....

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Industry Events

The Future of Data Management = The Death of Data Silos | Potomac Officers Club

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December 10, 2020 | 8 AM - 10 AM ET

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