

**Runner-up Partnership
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- TechLink is a technology transfer partnership intermediary funded by the DOD.
- MilTech is a partnership technology transition intermediary funded by DARPA and MEP.
- MEP is the Manufacturing Extension Partnership nation-wide network with centers in every state

The purpose of the partnership among TechLink, MilTech and MEP is to accelerate transfer and transition of DOD technologies from the labs to the private sector product development arena for prototyping, manufacture, test and delivery of valuable products to enhance warfighter capabilities.

Operationally, the partnership's TechLink intermediary collaborates with the DOD Office of Technology Transfer, MilTech and the MEP Centers; accesses technologies from the Federal Labs and elsewhere and communicates with the private sector to accelerate implementation of new products and processes.

Started in 2004 as a pilot program, it is now ready to expand nationally.

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