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Getting FORGE™ on Contract Through the Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace

A five-step checklist for government customers | SBIR/STTR Aisle, Awardable 23 Oct 2026

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FORGE™ has been deemed **Awardable** on the Department of War Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office (CDAO) Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace SBIR/STTR Aisle (submission 10-26-3938, "FORGE: Behavior-Based Assessment and Selection for Defensible People Decisions"). The Aisle admits only solutions that completed a competitive SBIR/STTR evaluation and are eligible for award under SBIR Phase III authority (15 U.S.C. § 638). The steps below take a government customer from first look to contract.

Checklist:

1. **Create a government Marketplace account.** Use a .mil or .gov email at tradewindai.com (Marketplace login) or go directly to https://cdao.appianportalsgov.com/tradewinds-user-registration. New to Tradewinds? Start at tradewindai.com.
2. **Find and watch the FORGE™ video.** Use the Comments feature on the video page to reach SOFware directly, or email the POC below for a live walkthrough or a demo login.
3. **Request the assessment package.** Email success@tradewindai.com to request the FORGE assessment package for your contract file, or book a 1:1 "Real People Time" session with the Tradewinds team to walk through awarding from the Marketplace: https://outlook.office365.us/book/TradewindsSolutionsMarketplaceRealPeopleTime@theari.us
4. **Hand the file to your contracting activity.** The award is an SBIR Phase III under 15 U.S.C. § 638(r); the Phase I competition (FA8649-21-P-0509) satisfies the competition requirement, so no new solicitation or source selection is needed. The contracting officer documents the Phase III determination in a memorandum to the file, or a brief J&A under FAR 6.302-5 if local policy calls for one. SOFware supplies the nexus summary, the quote and statement of work, and the Phase I award documentation on request. Any appropriation can fund a Phase III; it is paid with the customer's own dollars, with no dollar or duration ceiling.
5. **No local contracting activity?** Email success@tradewindai.com and ask to be connected with the Tradewinds Acquisition Support team. SOFware's contracting support (a former USAF Contracting Officer) is also available to work directly with your office.

What SOFware Provides on Request:

- SBIR Phase III Derivation & Nexus executive summary (one page) tailored to your organization
- Quote and statement of work sized to your requirement; GSA MAS 47QTCA25D005Y pricing is also available
- Live demo site and a five-minute walkthrough; hosting on AWS GovCloud or a government-owned environment

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Awardable status indicates the solution met the Marketplace evaluation criteria; it is not a guarantee of award. Government customers remain responsible for compliance with their agency's acquisition policies.