



Advanced Technology Academic Research Center

ATARC Invites Vendors to Participate in Phase 3 OT Track of Zero Trust Lab

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Advanced Technology Academic Research Center (ATARC) is proud to announce the expansion of Phase 3 of its Zero Trust Lab, which is now accepting participants for the Operational Technology (OT) track. This milestone reflects the readiness of the Lab to begin demonstrations focused on securing critical infrastructure and industrial control systems within the Zero Trust framework.

Phase 3 represents a strategic leap forward into specialized technology areas. While the initial tracks prioritized AI and Mobility, the inclusion of the OT track addresses the urgent need for secure access and policy enforcement across industrial networks.

“ATARC serves as a unique and dynamic integration hub where one can move beyond theory to test cyber resilience through direct, hands-on collaboration with industry innovators,” said Daryl Haegley, U.S. Air Force Technical Director and Government Vice Chair of the ATARC Zero Trust Lab’s Operational Technology Track. “By facilitating real-world operational challenges, one can witness relevant Zero Trust applications in Operational Technology environments. This exceptional approach ensures that mission-critical technology is informed by practical experience rather than detached analysis.”

The primary purpose of this invitation is to provide industry partners a platform to perform live demonstrations in front of a government-only audience. These sessions foster a collaborative environment where government stakeholders can evaluate and refine solutions that meet the highest standards of security and performance.

To facilitate hands-on innovation, ATARC is pleased to offer a dedicated physical OT Lab Space located within the ATARC Integration Center in Reston, VA. This environment is available for industry partners to utilize on a one-at-a-time basis to test, evaluate, and refine their solutions.

ATARC invites leading industry vendors and integrators to participate in these demos, providing a platform to share knowledge and explore emerging technology solutions.

To review the OT Track use cases or to express interest in performing a live demonstration for a government audience, please email workinggroups@atarc.org or visit our [Phase 3 Lab page](#).

About ATARC Working Groups:

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