The University of Alabama System Office for Research
2nd Research Roundtable Summary

Purpose: Provide a forum for government, industry, and academia to discuss collaborative research projects

Objectives: 1) Provide an opportunity to share key research information between users and developers; 2) Effect focus changes among researchers as needed; 3) Select nuggets of useful research for accelerated development; 4) Broaden capabilities by teaming of key researchers; 5) Instigate innovative approaches to solve requirements; 6) Alignment of disruptive and/or game changing technologies; 7) Develop a better understanding of needs, research progress and relationships in key technical areas

Topic: Cyber R&D

Date: Thursday, May 2, 2013

Venue: UAB, Alumni House

Government/Industry Attendees: U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Research, Development, and Engineering Center, Southern Research Institute, SAIC, Southern Company, Regions Bank, Intermark, Air Force Research Institute, IBM Global Technology Services

University Attendees: Eight university researchers from each of the three campuses (UA, UAB, and UAH)

Format: Each university provided a 30 minute briefing on the current cyber R&D research initiatives on their campus. Representatives from each organization were allotted 30 minutes for talks; 20 minute presentation by speaker followed by 10 minutes of discussion.

Side Meeting: At lunch, a representative from each campus met to discuss the development of a UAS strategy on cyber in preparation for a meeting with the Alabama Cyber Research Consortium, headed by Auburn.

Follow-Up: University researchers were encouraged to have conversations with organization representatives at the roundtable and schedule follow-up meetings. All presentations will be posted on the UA System Office for Research website for broad distribution/dissemination across the system campuses. A video of the presentations will also be posted on the website for interested faculty researchers. Researchers not in attendance at the roundtable will also be encouraged to review the presentations and contact the organizations directly.

Feedback: The roundtable ran very smoothly. University attendees seemed pleased with the format and the content of the roundtable.