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Welcome to the sixteenth issue of Carpe Datum's Newsletter, **The Fed Data Prospector**. As you can tell, we've tried sending the newsletter out on a Monday vs. Friday afternoon. What you do with the Newsletter – do you open it and/or do you read a story or click on an Opportunity – will help us know what we should do next!

We do know that growing business in this market is not easy and a great deal is expected of each of you. Additionally you and your teams' are being asked to identify, pursue, capture and write winning proposals – all of which typically occurs outside of the day-to-day activities expected of you. This is where Carpe Datum and the Fed Data Prospector come into play.

This week's newsletter includes an increased focus around Public-Private Partnerships where agencies like Census are proactively analyzing open data sets to support other federal brothers and sisters at HHS solve real problems. Likewise, DoD continues to push for a major overhaul of the Fed's Security Clearance process. Finally, the Coast Guard released an exciting opportunity for an Automated Open Source Data Collection, Translation and Analysis application in a Request for Quote (RFQ) package.

Happy Fed Data Opportunity Hunting!  
The Carpe Datum Team

## Opportunities & Solicitations



### USCG issues RFQ for Automated Open Source Data Collection, Translation, Analysis Application

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This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for Commercial Items prepared in accordance with provisions of FAR Subpart 12.6, as supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This announcement constitutes the ONLY solicitation. Proposals/Quotes are being requested and written solicitation will NOT be issued. This solicitation #70Z084-19-Q-VA044 is issued as a Request for Quotation (RFQ). The incorporated Clauses and Provisions are those in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-101 and may be obtained electronically at <http://www.acquisition.gov/far...>

Open Source Intelligence Services  
\*3/6/2019 - Update - Q&A Released

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The U.S. Department of State (DOS), Bureau of Diplomatic Security (DS), Directorate of Threat Investigations and Analysis (TIA), Open Source Intelligence Program has a requirement for open source monitoring and analysis support services, as well as logistical and office management services, in order to facilitate the production of timely, accurate, and relevant open source intelligence products and services...

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### PII Identification Assessment

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PII identification assessment of structured data on HUD mainframes and unstructured databases (i.e. SharePoint, SQL, Excel, File Servers, email, Office 365) across the entire HUD enterprise. Threat analysis and exfiltration testing for the following HUD Program offices - Housing, PIH and CPD...

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### New Office Building Construction Data

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The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) requires data and services to aid in updating four regional (Northeast, South, Midwest, and West) office building cost models and to improve the indexes it produces. In addition, a methodology to update the costs included in each of the regional cost models on a quarterly basis must be developed. The methodology shall adjust the costs for each component of the model to reflect actual market price movement observed within the region for which the model was designed...



## Industry Highlights

### Census demo day showcases open data, AI tools

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At a March 1 demo day of federal, private and nongovernmental tech projects, the Census Bureau showcased a variety of open data and AI tools aimed at addressing challenges ranging from disaster recovery to health care to the workforce...

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### The Security Clearance Process Is About to Get Its Biggest Overhaul in 50 Years

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Intelligence and human capital officials are about to make the rounds to show off Trusted Workforce 2.0, a framework to completely change how the government makes security clearance determinations...

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### How emerging tech can streamline trade and customs

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Blockchain and machine learning technologies can provide a solid foundation for the Customs and Border Protection's 21st Century Customs Framework and could help ease larger cross-border criminal issues, vendors and lawmakers told the agency.

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Here are the data brokers quietly buying and selling your

## personal information

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You've probably never heard of many of the data firms registered under a new law, but they've heard a lot about you. A list, and tips for opting out. It's no secret that your personal data is routinely bought and sold by dozens, possibly hundreds, of companies. What's less known is who those companies are, and what exactly they do...

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## Equifax Extends SBFE Partnership For Small Business Lending Data

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Credit report company Equifax is extending its partnership with the Small Business Financial Exchange (SBFE), the firm said in a press release Thursday (Feb. 28)...

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## White House to Gather Industry Execs for Workforce Strategy Meeting

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The White House will convene for the first time a new advisory board whose purpose is to help the Trump Administration tackle issues affecting the U.S. workforce, Reuters reported Sunday...

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## Experian: launches new app in South Africa that seeks to improve lives

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Experian South Africa has launched a new smartphone app, GeleZAR, that aims to bring more people into the mainstream economy. The name of the app is South African slang for 'learning about money' and it has been developed to help micro, small and medium sized enterprises (MSME) gain basic financial education skills, get the credit score they deserve and access affordable credit to grow their businesses...

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## Supply-Chain Attacks Rose 78% Last Year, Cyber Researchers Found

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Hackers are shifting their tactics away from traditional phishing and ransomware attacks, and moving toward stealthier intrusions via websites and the software supply chain, according to a recent report...

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## Industry Events



## Emerge 2019: Art of the Possible -- April 23, 2019

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Mission Success Through AI, Cyber Defense and Cloud Investments with DHS, OMB: Speakers including the CIOs from OMB and DHS are slated to appear at this late April event focused on topics including how to transform analytics through AI, automate cyber defense, optimize cloud investments and accelerate service delivery...



## Acquisitions & Partnerships

Officials at Health and Human Services took an idea from their colleagues at Census to use big data and public-private collaboration to design systems that can save lives.

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Since March 2016, The Opportunity Project, or TOP, housed within the Census Bureau, has been connecting innovators from around the globe with public data and resources to help them make a difference in the world..

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DiscoverOrg makes another acquisition, buys email verification service NeverBounce

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Vancouver, Wash.-based marketing and sales intelligence startup DiscoverOrg made its second acquisition in two months, announcing Tuesday the purchase of email verification and list cleansing service NeverBounce..



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