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Bright Structures	EasiBridge – Next Generation Troop Protection, Access and Mobility Systems	A man-portable, long-span rescue/assault bridge.
Createc Technologies Ltd	SLATE – Crowd Monitoring and Alerts (SLATE-CMA)	This system enables crowd monitoring and threat detection in public areas.
DecisionLab	Prognostic Asset Condition capability using advanced machine learning for use in air, naval and other domains	Machine learning anomaly detection models to calculate a system health score based on solely sensor data.

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Montvieux	Machine Learning Analytics as a Service (MLAaaS)	A Generative Adversarial Network (GAN) based Artificial Intelligence approach to the generation of labelled training data for use in third party imagery object detection and classification systems.
Sociedad Europea de Analisis Diferencial of Movilidad SL	Two-Stage Differential Mobility Analyser for the Screening of Explosives and Incendiary Devices in Cargo	Development of a radically novel system for the detection of concealed explosives in air cargo by means of vapour sensing.
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[Press release: Rapist has sentence increased following Solicitor General's referral](#)

A man who sexually assaulted a woman celebrating her 19th birthday in Falmouth has had his sentence increased today after the Solicitor General, Robert Buckland QC MP, referred his sentence to the Court of Appeal as unduly lenient.

Joseph Ahmed, now 32, forced his victim to have unprotected sex with him after they met at a house party. He ignored her pleas for him to stop. The victim was estimated to have been twice the legal drink drive limit at the time of the assault.

Ahmed was originally sentenced at Truro Crown Court in August, where he was given 5 years imprisonment with an extended licence period of 3 years. Today, after the Solicitor General's referral, the Court of Appeal increased his sentence to 7 years imprisonment with an extended licence period of 3 years.

Speaking after the hearing, the Solicitor General said:

"Ahmed put his victim through a terrible ordeal, showing a complete disregard for her clear protestations. I am pleased that the Court of Appeal has today agreed that Ahmed's sentence should have been higher, and hope it will bring some comfort to the victim."

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Democracy (WFD).

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