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EDIS

EUROPEAN DEFENCE INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY

WHAT?

A European Defence Industrial Strategy (EDIS), to strengthen the competitiveness and readiness of the European Defence Technological and Industrial Base (EDTIB).

WHY?

Following Russia's unprovoked invasion of Ukraine and the ensuing emergency responses, it is now time to move to structural EU defence readiness to better protect our citizens.

WHERE DO WE STAND?

The EDTIB is a competitive global player capable of producing world-class advanced systems. But its full potential is affected by years of underinvestment and fragmentation of defence demand along national lines. These trends have increased dependencies on third countries.



WHERE DO WE WANT TO GO?

EU Member States need the defence industry to be capable of producing more and faster. This will require more cooperation and collective action as Europeans. EDIS proposes several tangible indicators :

- ▶ By 2030, the **value of intra-EU defence trade** should represent at least 35% of the value of the EU defence market.
- ▶ By 2030, at least 50% of Member States defence procurement budget should be devoted to **procurement from the EDTIB**, and 60% by 2035.
- ▶ By 2030, Member States should procure at least 40% of defence equipment **in a collaborative manner**.





HOW DO WE GET THERE?

INVESTING MORE, BETTER, TOGETHER, EUROPEAN

- A new joint programming and procurement function, through the creation of a Defence Industrial Readiness Board, and a high-level European Defence Industry Group
- Financial support to EU Member States' cooperation in procurement from the EDTIB
- Structure for European Armament Programme (SEAP) facilitating EU Member States' defence cooperation
- Preparation for a European Military Sales Mechanism to enhance availability of EU equipment
- Launch of European Defence Projects of common Interest

A RESPONSIVE AND INNOVATIVE EUROPEAN DEFENCE INDUSTRY

- Supporting investment in responsive production capacities
- Support the production of drones
- Finance for SMEs and Small Mid-Caps through the Fund to Accelerate Defence Supply Chain Transformation (FAST)
- EU Security of Supply regime to solve tensions along the supply chains and identify bottlenecks
- Continuous support for research into future-proof defence capabilities
- EU Defence Innovation Office in Kyiv

MAINSTREAMING A DEFENCE READINESS CULTURE, INCLUDING ACROSS EU POLICIES

- Inviting the EIB Group to review its lending policies this year
- Promote defence industry across the financial sector.
- Consider including or maintaining defence readiness security and resilience as an explicit objective under future relevant EU programmes.

TEAMING-UP WITH STRATEGIC, LIKE-MINDED AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

- Promote Ukraine's participation in the Union's defence industry programmes
- EU-Ukraine Defence Industry Forum in 2024
- Enhance staff-to-staff structured dialogue with NATO

FINANCING THE UNION'S AMBITION FOR DEFENCE INDUSTRIAL READINESS

- Proposed European Defence Industry Programme (EDIP) with a budget of €1.5 billion
- Discussion with Member States on the EU's financing needs in advance of the next MFF

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