

EUROPEAN OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEFENCE-RELATED CLUSTERS

- An EDA workshop -

Tuesday, 28 March 2017
(10:00-17:30)

EUROPEAN DEFENCE AGENCY
Rue de Drapiers, 17-23
B-1050 Brussels, Belgium
- room B5 -

DRAFT AGENDA

OPENING SESSION

10h00 Ms **Tarja Jaakkola**, EDA
"Introductory remarks"

EUROPEAN COMMISSION'S ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF SMES, CLUSTERS AND REGIONS

10h15 Mr **Paul Anciaux** - Mr **Christophe Guichard**, European Commission/DG GROWTH:
"The European Defence Action Plan (EDAP) and the European Commission's actions in support of defence-related SMEs, clusters and regions"

10h40 Q&A

THE EUROPEAN DEFENCE AGENCY SUPPORT TO DEFENCE R+T+I AND INDUSTRY

Support to innovation for defence stakeholders:

10h50 Mr **Panagiotis Kikiras**, EDA:
"Innovation, the DNA of EDA: reinforcing the EDTIB"

11h10 Mr **Dirk Tielbuerger**, EDA:
"Preparatory Action, how to engage Cluster's members in the European dynamic?"

11h30 Q&A

11h40 *Coffee break*

Support to defence-related industry and RTOs:

12h00 Ms **Isabelle Desjeux**, EDA:
"How to enhance EDA-industry engagement" [presentation of current and potential future interaction: open discussion and on-the-spot quick survey on clusters' expectations];

12h30 Mr **Pierre Di Toro**, EDA, and Mr **Darius Savolskis**, EDA:
"Access to European Structural and Investment Funds: lessons learnt (R&T) and new area of EDA engagement (ESF for KSC)"

12h50 Q&A

13h00 *Light lunch*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DUAL-USE AND DEFENCE UNDER THE EU COSME PROGRAMME 2014-2020

13h30 Mr **Pierre Di Toro**, EDA:
"COSME opportunities for defence-related SMEs and clusters"

13h50 Q&A

14h00 Ms **Tarja Jaakkola**, EDA
"Wrap-up"

14h15 *Coffee break*

MATCHMAKING SESSION (*Beaujolais room*):

14h30-17h30 C2C meetings [*supporting creation of cluster cooperation, also with a view to potential EASME's calls for proposals*]