

09.30 WELCOME ADDRESS

Jiří Šedivý, *Chief Executive, European Defence Agency*

09.40 OPENING SPEECH

Josep Borrell Fontelles, *Head of the European Defence Agency, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the European Commission*

10.00 SPECIAL ADDRESS

Charles Michel, *President, European Council*

10.15 DEFENCE INNOVATION: A STRATEGIC IMPERATIVE FOR THE EU?

› Ludivine Dedonder, *Minister of Defence, Belgium*

› Matej Tonin, *Minister of Defence, Slovenia*

› Marcin Ociepa, *Deputy Minister of Defence, Poland*

Moderator: Jiří Šedivý, *Chief Executive, European Defence Agency*

11.00 COFFEE BREAK

11.30 THE MILITARY VIEWPOINT

Speech by General Claudio Graziano, *Chairman, EU Military Committee*

11.45 PANEL I: HOW TO FOSTER DEFENCE INNOVATION?

› Emmanuel Chiva, *Executive Director, Defence Innovation Agency, France*

› Vice Admiral Louise K. Dedichen, *Military Representative to NATO, Norway*

› Timo Pesonen, *Director General, DG DEFIS, European Commission*

› Kusti Salm, *Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Estonia*

› David van Weel, *Assistant Secretary General for Emerging Security Challenges, NATO*

Moderator: Olli Ruutu, *Deputy Chief Executive, European Defence Agency*

13.00 LUNCH

14.00 DUAL-USE INNOVATION AND ACCELERATING EUROPEAN TECHNOLOGICAL EXCELLENCE: HOW CAN THE EIB HELP?

Fireside chat with Kris Peeters, *Vice-President, European Investment Bank*

14.20 EDA DEFENCE INNOVATION PRIZE CEREMONY

Presented by Olli Ruutu, *Deputy Chief Executive, European Defence Agency*

14.40 PANEL II: INNOVATION CAPACITY OF THE EUROPEAN DEFENCE INDUSTRY

› Peppas Antonios, *CEO, ETME*

› Domitilla Benigni, *CEO and COO, Elettronica*

› Hervé Dammann, *Senior Vice-President Europe, Thales*

› Jan Pie, *Secretary General, Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Europe (ASD)*

Moderator: Pieter Taal, *Head of Unit Industry Strategy and EU Policies, European Defence Agency*

15.55 CLOSING REMARKS

Jiří Šedivý, *Chief Executive, European Defence Agency*

16.00 END OF CONFERENCE