

European Defence Energy Network



## **Revised** Annex D

# LOGISTICS & REIMBURSEMENT GUIDANCE

# THIRD PHASE OF THE CONSULTATION FORUM FOR SUSTAINABLE ENERGY IN THE DEFENCE AND SECURITY SECTOR (CF SEDSS III)

# 1<sup>st</sup> Conference

## 23 & 24 June 2020 (Zagreb, Croatia)

### Venue

- The Westin Zagreb hotel Address: Kršnjavoga 1, HR-10000, Zagreb, Croatia Tel: + 385.1.4892.000, Fax: 385.1.14892.001 Website: <u>https://www.marriott.com/hotels/hotel-information/zagwi-the-westin-zagreb/</u>
- For the public transport and taxi: you can take a taxi from Dr. Franjo Tuđman Airport (ZAG) (regular fee is HRK 200 250 or 26 33 EUR), or Croatia Airlines shuttle bus to the Zagreb Bus Station (HRK 35 or 5 EUR). The Dr. Franjo Tuđman Airport is located only a short 30-minute drive (17 km) from the hotel. Please also see: <a href="https://www.marriott.com/hotels/maps/travel/zagwi-the-westin-zagreb/">https://www.marriott.com/hotels/maps/travel/zagwi-the-westin-zagreb/</a>
- **Currency Exchange:** The Croatian kuna is the currency of Croatia. Currently +/- 1 EURO = 7.44240 HRK.

### **Reimbursement & Rules**

Participants in all the conferences of the third phase of the **Consultation Forum for Sustainable Energy in the Defence and Security Sector (CF SEDSS Phase III)** will be reimbursed from the budget of European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 882171 and in line with EDA's reimbursement procedures. **The accommodation and catering for all delegates will be provided on site and paid directly by EDA. Travel arrangements need to be made by delegates and the costs will be reimbursed by EDA.** 

### Rules

EDA will apply the following rules regarding the reimbursement of participants' expenses:

### **Travel Costs**

- Delegates are asked to **make their own travel** (flights or trains) and **local transport** arrangements to travel between the host nation's airport and CF SEDSS III event venue.
- Participants will be reimbursed for economy class air travel or first-class rail travel and only for the local transportation between the host nation's airport (train station, etc.) and CF SEDSS III event venue (hotel) and back.





- Travel by air should be booked in a timely fashion not to incur an inappropriately high cost to EDA.
- The use of public transport is highly recommended.
- Where there is a need to use taxi, fares up to a maximum of €60 per meeting will be reimbursed. Estimated taxi fare: 30 EUR (one way). Please be aware of fake taxi drivers. Also, please make sure that the driver turns on the meter at the beginning of the ride. You will be asked to pay the amount on the meter in local currency (taxis do not usually accept any other foreign currency or credit cards). In case of taxi receipts issued by the driver, the receipt must indicate the date, the taxi identification number, the company name, the time of the journey and the price.
- The use of a private car will be reimbursed at €0.22/km. Please inform in advance the CF SEDSS III management team in case you intend to use your private car.

# Note – applicable only for those participants who have been already confirmed to attend the Zagreb conference initially planned on 17/18 March 2020:

- For those participants who have been already confirmed to attend the Zagreb conference (17/18 March 2020) and will attend the new dates of the conference (23/24 June 2020), then fees incurred for changing their travel arrangements or for booking another flights in case their unable to change their original booking, and cannot be reimbursement from other sources (e.g. corporate or private travel insurances) will be regarded as eligible costs and will be reimbursed by EDA.
- For those participants that will not participate in the new dates of the conference (23/24 June 2020), fees incurred for transferring their ticket to another person or for cancelling the booking as no transfer is possible, and that cannot be reimbursed from other sources (e.g. corporate or private travel insurances), will be regarded as eligible costs and will be reimbursed by EDA.

### Accommodation

- All delegates will be provided with accommodation at the conference venue and this will be booked by the CF SEDSS III admin support staff.
- Accommodation will be paid directly by EDA to the hotel. Participants are asked to pay only their private expenses (i.e. mini bar, ironing, etc.).
- <u>Delegates already registered will be asked to re-confirm their accommodation by 30 April</u> 2020 at the latest.
- <u>New participants</u> will be provided with separate email the new registration link and will be asked to register by **15 May 2020 at the latest**.
- Accommodation arranged privately will not be reimbursed.
- In case of failure to use the accommodation provided once it has been booked and without notifying the admin support staff by 15 May 2020, a charge will be incurred to the relevant ministry/organisation.
- Once you have registered, your standard single room will be booked by the admin support team. <u>Please do not book individually.</u>
- Please note that any costs incurred by a delegate outside of the standard package provided by the Consultation Forum will not be reimbursed.





## **Catering & Refreshments**

- All catering arrangements (breakfast, lunch, dinner and coffee/tea during the conference breaks) will be served at the hotel and will be paid directly by EDA.
- Please note that any costs incurred by a delegate outside of the standard package provided by the Consultation Forum will not be reimbursed. Participants will not be reimbursed for catering expenses in case they do not use the provided service.
- The hotel will provide options for all meals for a variety of dietary requirements. If you have any **special dietary requirements**, <u>please indicate this in the **registration form**.</u>
- If you arrive in the evening of Monday 22 June 2020, you can avail yourself of a dinner buffet from 19:00-22:00 at the Kaptol Restaurant, ground floor. Dinner buffet will be also provided on Wednesday 24 June 2020 from 19:00-22:00 at the same restaurant. Please mention that you are a part of the "EDA group".
- Lunch will be provided on Tuesday 23 June and Wednesday 24 June 2020 at the Kaptol Restaurant, ground floor (time to be determined).
- Breakfast will be provided on Tuesday 23 June, Wednesday 24 June and Thursday 25 June 2020 at the Kaptol Restaurant, ground floor.
- Networking (gala) dinner will take place on Tuesday 23 June 2020 (Mimara museum, meet at the hotel entrance at 19:30).

### **Request for Reimbursement**

- Delegates who will participate in the conference are asked to **submit a consolidated claim for reimbursement of travel expenses** <u>through their **EU MoD national contact point (NCP)** after each conference.</u>
- It is preferable that delegates book their travel through their MoDs and <u>one</u> reimbursement request is made per MoD.
- The **reimbursement forms** are available on the **EDEN EDA Collaboration Platform (EC ECP**) via this <u>link</u> (or click "Phase III", > 1. Reimbursement forms in the workspace).
- The relevant forms must be filled in and submitted to the admin support staff (email eden@eda.europa.eu) together with receipts and tickets either during the conference or emailed thereafter by 10 July 2020. Kindly note that in order for the forms to be valid, they need to be hand signed.
- Details regarding the EDEN ECP are given in **Annex C.** "Registration Guidance to the EDA Collaboration Platform (ECP)".
- Please note that only delegates present at the conference will be reimbursed.





### **Registration & Badges**

**Registration for the conference** will take place on **Monday 22<sup>th</sup> June** from **19h00 to 20h30** and **on Tuesday 23<sup>th</sup> June 2020** from **08h00 to 08h45** at the **hotel lobby Foyer** (ground floor). **An identification badge** will be issued to each person who has previously enrolled via the EDA EDEN website. You are requested to wear your meeting badge at all times while in the meeting area. For security reasons, please remove your badge when leaving the premises. Please take care of your badge during the conference and make sure that you have it with you when attending all meetings.

### **Dress Code**

The usual business attire is the requested dress code for meetings and the networking dinner to be held on **23 June 2020.** 

### **Internet Access**

A wireless internet network is available at the hotel.

#### Help-desk

If you have any difficulties registering or wish to ask any questions, please contact the admin support team directly at <u>eden@eda.europa.eu</u> or through the contact page on the EDEN website <u>https://eda.europa.eu/eden.</u>

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