Unlocking the Potential of European Defence Cooperation

New Opportunities for an Enhanced European Defence Industry

A conference co-organised by the Croatian Presidency of the Council of the European Union and the European Defence Agency

24 March 2020 – Hotel WESTIN, Izidora Kršnjavog 1, Zagreb, Croatia

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March 23rd 2020

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(please look for registration tables at the hotel lobby)

20:00 Dinner

hosted by Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence

Venue: Mimara Museum
Rooseveltov trg 5
Dress code: formal attire

March 24th 2020

08:00 Welcome coffee and Registration

09:00 Opening Remarks

Damir KRSTIČEVIĆ, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence of Croatia
Olli RUUTU, Acting Chief Executive, European Defence Agency

09:30 Keynote addresses “SETTING THE SCENE FOR 2021 – 2027”

Andréj PLENKOVIĆ, Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia
Josep BORRELL, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs & Security Policy/, Vice-President of the European Commission and Head of the European Defence Agency (TBC)
Thierry BRETON, Commissioner for Internal Market (TBC)
10:15 | Coffee break

10:30 | Panel SESSION 1
Defence (and) Industry – Does the European Defence Fund keep or remove the brackets?

Moderator: Daniel FIOTT, Security and Defence Editor, EU Institute for Security Studies
Panellists:
Timo PESONEN, Director General, Defence Industry and Space, European Commission
Zdravko JAKOP, State Secretary, Croatian Ministry of Defence
Olli RUUTU, Acting Chief Executive, European Defence Agency
Nathalie LOISEAU, European Parliament, Chair of SEDE Subcommittee (TBC)
Ioannis PAPACHRISTOFILOU, Vice President, Head of Sales Europe / Canada, Airbus Defence and Space

11:45 | Breakthrough speech
General Claudio GRAZIANO, Chairman, EU Military Committee

12:00 | Lunch and Networking
Parallel side-event: Croatian Defence/Military Industry Exhibition

13:15 | Panel SESSION 2
Innovation from SMEs for European Defence

Moderator: Claudia MAJOR, Senior Associate, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik
Panellists:
Alain ALEXIS, Acting Director, Defence Industry, European Commission
Emilio FAJARDO, Director Industry, Synergies and Innovation, European Defence Agency
Arndt SCHOENEMANN, Chairman of ASD Supply Chain Commission, Managing Director, Liebherr Aerospace
Goran BASARAC, President of Croatian Defense Industry Competitiveness Cluster
Tomas ŽALANDAUSKAS, CEO, Baltic Institute of Advanced Technology

14:30 | Coffee break
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