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HOT SPOTS



Outcome of EDA Ministerial Steering Board - The European Defence Agency's (EDA) ministerial Steering Board met on 20 November 2018 under the chairmanship of the Head of the Agency, Federica Mogherini. Defence ministers notably discussed the CARD Trial Run Report, the implementation of the 11 new EU Capability Development Priorities and the Agency's 2019 budget.



R&T Steering Board validated OSRA v2 - During the last EDA Steering Board, R&T Directors validated the outcome of the OSRA review (OSRA v2), including the 139 developed Technology Building Blocks (TBBs) and the results of the application of the approved OSRA prioritisation methodology. R&T Directors also approved the systematic engagement of industry in the EDA defence research prioritisation activities.



The EU Capability Development Priorities - EDA produces regular updates of the Capability Development Plan (CDP) since 2008, in close cooperation with its Member States and with the active contributions of the EU Military Committee and the EU Military Staff. The overall objective is to increase coherence between Member States' defence planning and to encourage European cooperation by jointly considering future operational needs and defining common EU Capability Development Priorities.



R&T project launched on 3D printing of energetic materials - Six EDA Member States (Finland, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Poland, Sweden) as well as Norway (which has signed an Administrative Arrangement with the Agency) signed a project arrangement to develop a new research project on 'Additive Manufacturing Techniques for Energetic Materials' (AMTEM).



<u>The new EDA magazine is out!</u> - The latest European Defence Matters magazine (N°16) is now available with a special focus on unmanned and autonomous systems in defence.

EVENTS



Third Conference: Consultation Forum for Sustainable Energy in the Defence and Security Sector Phase II (CF SEDSS II) - Nicosia, Cyprus (26/27 February 2019) - The draft Conference Programme for the third conference is available here. A revised version of the agenda will be sent prior to the conference meeting.



<u>European Cyber Defence Industry Conference</u> - The conference will take place in Tallinn on 26 February 2019. It will focus on the following topics: European Cyber Defence Market, EU Funding for Cyber Defence and Cyber Defence Skills.



SAVE THE DATE: High Level Conference on Skills in Defence - Following the launch of the European Defence Skills Partnership (EDSP) on 19 June 2018, the European Commission is organising a high-level conference on 13 March 2019 in Brussels.

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