	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	According to the rules of the contest, Para 2.2 (Form and Content of the paper), the papers must be consistent with all the	There has been confusion regarding the formatting of the title.
	requirements and instructions laid down in the rules of the	We have decided to give participants the option to choose between using
	contest. Allow me two questions regarding the formatting of the paper:	Garamond or Times New Roman font for the title.
		Additionally, the use of small-caps is not a restriction anymore. We have
	a) There is an inconsistency in the formatting requirement	recently updated the paper template by adding a new version in a .doc file
	for the title in the formatting guide for Authors: According to	format. You can access this new version of the template via the following link:
	page 8 of the guideline the title is to be written in Garamond.	https://eda.europa.eu/docs/default-source/documents/eda-rti-paper-award-
	Table 1 on page 9 specifies the title to be written in TNR. Which one is correct?	2023-template.doc
	b) Title and headings must be written in small-caps, which is	
	not available on Microsoft Office Professional. Is it possible that	
	EDA provides this Font for download? If not, kindly specify how	
	to overcome this issue with non-standard Font Types to be used.	
	Can it be written it the same way as shown by your example for	
	Abstract Heading and Keyword Heading without small caps	
	format?	
2	We have looked at the official website and we have not been	You can access the new version of the template in .doc file via the following
-	able to find the template (.doc file).	link: https://eda.europa.eu/docs/default-source/documents/eda-rti-paper-
		award-2023-template.doc
	Could you help us by sharing the template via email?	
3	We are not absolutely sure if we are eligible for the RTI. In the	We do confirm that the aim of the contest is to promote and support the work
	introduction it is said that the contest's scope is to promote and	of early career researchers (Research profiles descriptors, level R1 and level
	support the work of early career researchers by introducing their	R2) by introducing their work to the defence community.
	work to the defence community. Does the contest address this	The early research definition can be consulted at: European Commission /
	group only, or has it to be understood as "among others". The	EURAXES. Research profiles descriptors
	proposal we want to provide is definitely not the work of early	https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/europe/career-development/training-
	career researchers, but the work of experienced and already	researchers/research-profiles-descriptors
	highly reputated engineers and scientists. Does EDA expect also	Therefore to be eligible, the author of the paper should be inside this category.
	papers from such well established companies and engineers?	

4	Is it suitable to submit a paper which has already been published at a conference?	We would like to inform you that it is possible to submit a paper that has already been published at a conference. However, as stipulated in <u>Rules of</u> <u>Contest Section 2.7.1</u> : <i>Applicants that have already received any other Union</i> <i>prize that is the subject of the current contest cannot receive a second prize for</i> <i>the same activities.</i>
5	Could you please send the template for the 8-page submission which I will fill out, as well as any other documents you require me to complete for submission?	All the necessary information and requirements for submission can be found on the EDA website: https://eda.europa.eu/news-and- events/news/2023/02/01/eda-opens-first-competition-for-best-defence- research-papers. You can download the submission template in a .doc file format here: https://eda.europa.eu/docs/default-source/documents/eda-rti-paper-award- 2023-template.doc
6	When selected, are the papers becoming public domain or is a confidentiality level also possible?	the Rules of Contest (Section 1.4) stipulate that any papers submitted for the EDA Research, Technology, and Innovation Papers Award 2023 will be published in a booklet if they meet a specific threshold. As a result, it is not possible to maintain confidentiality for papers that are chosen.
7	 At the end of the paper a short biography of the authors should be included? It is necessary to send the word and pdf version of the paper? Documents necessary to send by the lead participant are: submission form, legal entity form, supporting documents (passport digitalization of the lead participant?), Financial identification form (it is necessary other specific bank document besides the financial identification form signed by the bank?), exclusion criteria form (signed by the Lead participant), and the 	 Biography is not mandatory but recommended. There is a consecrated place in the Paper Template. Word or PDF versions are ok for us (at the beginning we published all the information in PDF, but I recall you that later on we put on the website the Word version too). Financial Identification Form must bear EITHER a bank stamp and signature of the bank representative OR it must be accompanied by a RECENT bank statement confirming all the information listed under 'ACCOUNT NAME', 'ACCOUNT NUMBER/IBAN' and 'BANK NAME'.
	 paper. Is it also necessary that the other paper co-authors send the documents below? supporting documents (passport or EU citizen card's digitalization); exclusion criteria form, and 	Legal Entity Form of a natural person must be submitted together with a legible photocopy of the identity document.

	- legal entity form	Yes, all co-authors shall provide the indicated documents (supporting documents - passport or EU citizen card's digitalization, exclusion criteria form and legal entity form).
8	 Do you have the following forms and template for the RTI papers awards? Paper Submission Form Exclusion Criteria form 	You can also download the submission template in a .doc file format here: <u>https://eda.europa.eu/docs/default-source/documents/eda-rti-paper-award-</u> <u>2023-template.doc</u> The annexes in a doc. file are available here: <u>https://eda.europa.eu/docs/default-source/documents/annexes23-rti-prz-</u> <u>1368492bd3fa4d264cfa776ff000087ef0f.docx</u>