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Secretary General EURODEFENSE

Mr. Gal (2s) Jean Guinard

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Invitation 6th Young European EURODEFENSE Conference

Dear Mr Guinard,

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. Ever since 1945, cooperation and integration has proven to be the winning strategy in securing peace and prosperity on the European continent. Also in the 21st century, working together should be guiding principle in addressing real and imminent challenges threatening stability and prosperity within Europe and its neighbourhood.

EuroDéfense – Nederland is delighted to announce that it will organise the 6th Young European EURODEFENSE Conference (YEEC) at the Royal Military Academy in Breda, the Netherlands. From the 2- 7 August 2015, delegates from all national EuroDéfense associations are invited to reside at this historic military site and to participate in this full-week conference.

The central theme of the conference will be “European Security & Defence: The Future is Now”. The conference will address the current and future challenges in the field of European defence cooperation, while emphasising on the need to think and plan ahead in order to maintain a secure and prosperous Europe. During lectures, workgroup sessions and excursions the participants will be offered the opportunity to delve into key issues in the field of European Security and Defence. At the end of the conference the delegates will be asked to present a position paper on one of the following topics:

- The world in 2025: core challenges;
- Security of the European homeland;

- EU Maritime Strategy
- Challenges in strengthening the European defence industrial and technological base;
- Multinational operational formations.

I would like to invite every national association of the EURODEFENSE network to nominate a delegation of maximum seven students and/or young professionals to participate in this conference.

Please note that English will be the working language of the conference. In order to be able to participate in all programme items and to contribute to the position paper, it is recommended that all delegates have a professional working proficiency of the conference language.

Enquiries and further questions about the organisation of the 6th YEEC can be addressed to Ms Elsa Schrier.

We look forward to welcome an enthusiastic group of young Europeans from all EURODEFENSE countries to Breda, the Netherlands.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Willem van Eekelen
President EuroDéfense – Nederland

On his behalf,

Elsa Schrier
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