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**Federation of European  
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## **Partnership agreement between EDTA and EURODEFENSE**

### **Preamble**

Established in 1994, the EURODEFENSE network aims to foster the awareness of the common interests of European countries, to develop a greater sense of European defence and to support the implementation of the Common Security and Defence Policy. To achieve this goal, EURODEFENSE is mainly active in the defence and diplomatic sector.

The Federation of European Defence Technology Associations (EDTA) was established in 1992 on the initiative of the ministers of the then Independent European Planning Group (IEPG) and aims to enhance cooperation and professional relationships among its members. It does so by information exchange, promotion of conferences and promotion of public interest in defence industry and technology. EDTA is mainly active in the defence technology and defence industry sector.

These complementary goals and interests of EURODEFENSE and EDTA lead to a logical relationship where information exchange and mutual support may help both associations in their endeavours. EDTA and its members may support EURODEFENSE to pursue its goals with knowledge and information on defence related technology and industry. EURODEFENSE and its members may support EDTA to pursue its own goals with knowledge and information on national and European defence policies.

This agreement intends to structure and foster the relationship between EURODEFENSE and EDTA. The main cooperation will be on European and national defence policy issues pertaining to defence technology, capabilities and industry.

### **Modalities of cooperation**

Cooperation between both organisations will be supervised by the EDTA President and the Secretary general EURODEFENSE acting under the EURODEFENSE Presidents' Council authority.

Within the scope of cooperation, both organisations may:

1. Provide information on its activities to the other organisation.
2. Distribute information received to its national member associations and individual members (unless indicated otherwise).
3. Exchange contact and other information relating to national member organisations. Information on individual members may only be provided with the express consent of the individual.
4. Invite representatives of the other organisation and its national member associations to participate in selected conferences, working groups and studies it organises.



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5. Consult the other organisation in its area of expertise for the benefit of conferences, working groups, studies and communications.
6. Invite the President(s) of the other organisation to wholly or partly participate in its own Presidential meeting. In addition, the President or other representatives of national member associations where a Presidents' meeting is being held may also be invited.

In all cases both organisations are free to decide whether or not to extend an invitation to the other organisation. Also the invited or consulted organisation and its member organisations or individual members are free to decide whether or not they accept an invitation.

#### **Modalities at the national level**

Both organisations will foster and support cooperation between their member associations at the national level. They will encourage their national associations to develop similar forms of cooperation as at the European level.

#### **Reporting and review of cooperation**

Activities performed under this agreement between national member associations shall be reported annually before 1 March to the Presidents of both organisations.

The Presidents will annually report activities performed under this agreement to their respective boards and to their national member associations. The report shall include activities at the European level as well as on a national level between national associations.

#### **Costs of cooperation**

Both organisations will bear their own costs without any mutual settlement.

Individuals participating in conferences may be required to pay a participation fee. For invitations extended under this agreement a conference fee may not exceed the fee charged to members of the organising association.

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