

European Defence Action Plan

Consultation Forum

Brussels, 19th April: 14:30 – 17:30

Invitation

You are invited to the Consultation Forum that the European Commission has established to provide a focal point for discussion with Europe's defence industry on the implementation of the European Defence Action Plan adopted on 30th November 2016 (all official language versions are available here: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1487063415367&uri=CELEX:52016DC0950>).

The Action Plan is designed to use EU policies and instruments to support the competitiveness of Europe's defence industry, strengthen the Single Market and enhance defence co-operation between Member States.

At the meeting the Commission will provide an overview of the measures proposed in the Action Plan as a whole but will have two main objectives, to discuss and get feedback on the proposals concerning:

- The proposed European Defence Fund for supporting collaborative defence research and capabilities; and
- Support for defence-related SMEs.

Practicalities

The Forum will be held on 19 April from **14:30 – 17:30** in:

Room 1.B.
Albert Borschette Congress Centre
Rue Froissart 36
1040 Brussels

You should confirm your participation by filling in and returning the attached Registration Form to GROW-l4@ec.europa.eu no later than **7th April**. Interpretation will be available in the following languages: French, German, English, Italian, Spanish and Polish.

Participants should present themselves at the Congress Centre with a copy of this invitation letter. Please note that, in the absence of this document and confirmed registration, the Security Services may refuse access to the building. Please also note that no travel expenses will be reimbursed by the Commission for this meeting. Places will be allocated on a "first come first served" basis.