

Defence Research and Technology (DRT) committee

17 April 2018, 11h15 – 12h15 [REDACTED]

- Last updates provided to DRT committee: 28 November 2017 [REDACTED]
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PADR (update)

2017 calls

- US (Technological demonstrator for enhanced situational awareness in a naval environment)
 - Signature event for grant was in Brussels on 28 March 2018. Grant covers core programme and all options, together 35.5 M€. Leader is Leonardo, IT. Consortium has 42 entities (coming from 15 countries plus one international organisation);
 - Kick off meeting was in EDA on 10/11 April 2018.
- FPPS (Force protection and advanced soldier systems)
 - Awarded (3 subtopics, 3 grants) (approx. 6.78 M€);
 - Signature in process.
- STF (Strategic Technology Foresight)
 - Awarded and signed – 0.95 M€ (consortium led by Engineering Ingegneria Informatica S.p.A., IT).

2018 calls

- EDA published Calls on 15 March 2018, they are open until 28 June 2018:
 - System on a Chip, up to 12 M€;
 - Laser Weapons, up to 5.4 M€;
 - STF II, up to 1.9 M€.

- InfoDay conducted on 12 April 2018
 - more than 200 registered participants;
 - more specialised topics this year than in 2017;
 - therefore less interest in B2B meetings (communities are smaller for these topics);
 - However, much stronger interest in STF II (largest session contrary to situation a year ago, when it was marginal in attention).
- Evaluation will follow after the closure of Calls and will last until November with:
 - Admissibility/Eligibility checks (right after call closure);
 - Evaluation by independent experts (validated by MS, holding security clearance, this time only up to “EU confidential”, approved by CION), during summer break;
 - Consensus meetings of groups of these experts (in September);
 - Meetings of the experts with the Evaluation Committee, which provides oversight (likely in October);
 - In addition: ELSA and security scrutinies to follow.

