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Permanent Representations of the  
 EU Member States

*(sent by e-mail)*

**Subject: European Defence Industrial Development Programme  
 3<sup>rd</sup> informal meeting with Member States, Brussels, 7 June 2018**

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure of inviting your government authorities to be represented at the third informal meeting on the implementation of the European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP).

The meeting will take place on **7 June 2018** from **14h30 to 17h30** in the:

**Rue de la Loi 130  
 Meeting room B  
 1040 Brussels**

The objective of this meeting would be to continue the discussion on possible project categories, consider possible approaches for meeting the cross-border SMEs participation criterium as well as to address practical aspects of the cooperation within EDIDP funded projects.

Please notice that this preliminary discussion will take place without prejudice to the on-going negotiations between the Council and the European Parliament and should only serve as an opportunity of an informal exchange of views between Member States and the Commission. Formal arrangements will continue in a comitology framework in a Programme Committee, which has been identified in the proposal.

Appointed representatives of your government should confirm their participation by filling in and returning the attached Registration Form to [\[redacted\]@ec.europa.eu](mailto: [redacted]@ec.europa.eu) **no later than 4 June 2018**.

Participants should present themselves at the meeting venue 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.

Simultaneous interpretation in FR-DE-EN-IT-ES-PL will be provided during the meeting.

For any questions about the meeting, the contact points are: [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] ([\[REDACTED\]@ec.europa.eu](mailto:[REDACTED]@ec.europa.eu)) and [REDACTED],  
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We would welcome any written contribution in advance of the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

