



# European Cooperation on skills in defence

**European symposium**

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dual use research and  
innovation synergies

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## Defence Skills Policy Approach

- **European Defence Action Plan – EDAP**
- **European Defence Fund**
- **Blueprint for sectoral cooperation on skills**
- **SMEs-midcaps-primers / EU-national-regional levels**
  1. Gathering evidence and developing a sectoral strategy → COSME
  2. Supporting the setting-up of a European Sector Skills Partnership and implement solutions → COSME & Erasmus+
  3. Rolling out scalable & sustainable actions at national-regional → ESIF



## Implementation Approach

### Stakeholder engagement & common strategy

→ **COSME project March '18 – March 2019**

19 June: **Launch European Defence Skills Partnership**

Jun-Oct 2018: **Meetings** of members to contribute to the  
*Vision on defence-related skills in Europe for today & tomorrow*

Nov-Feb 2019: **Meetings** on specific topics

March 2019: *European Strategy on skills in defence*

March 2019: **High level conference** to launch the  
implementation of the strategy and align with EDF !





## Strategy Implementation phase

### *Stakeholder engagement to develop solutions*

- **Erasmus+ 2019 Sector Skills Alliances Lot 3 (Blueprint sectors) call in end October 2018 will include defence technologies**
  - €4 million, 4 years, multi-partner & multi-country consortia: One successful selected proposal will be awarded to develop solutions for closing identified skills gaps in the sector.
  - Project proposal may envisage synergies with other instruments
  
- **New COSME call on defence skills envisaged to ensure continuation of EDSP activities in alignment with EDF and strengthen synergies**
  
- **2021-2027: Roll out and replicate successful actions at national and regional levels using ESIF**

