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EDA's "IdentiFunding" online

I am happy to draw your attention to the launch of EDA's "**IdentiFunding**" which is now online on the Agency's website. This application matches defence-related projects/entities with 16 potential funding sources at European level (Preparatory Action, European Defence Industrial Development Programme, Structural Funds, Horizon 2020, COSME for Small-and-Medium-sized Enterprises, LIFE, etc.). Its wide spectrum includes both grants and financial instruments (i.e. loans and equity/risk capital).

The objective is to allow defence stakeholders - e.g. industry (particularly SMEs and Mid-caps), Ministries of Defence's Labs and Academies and Research-and-Technology-Organisations - to identify funding schemes eligible to the defence sector in a manner tailored to each specific project or entity. Therefore, this digital instrument is aimed at saving budget, time and human resources usually required to above stakeholders to go through a challenging and 'de-foresting' process when initially addressing the range of potential EU funding programmes.

You may easily experience the tool on your own by accessing the "European Funding Gateway for Defence" - eda.europa.eu/eufunding - and then clicking on "*Start IdentiFunding*". The "IdentiFunding" is also accessible under the SME corner of EDA's website. The whole process of identifying the funding opportunities takes less than 10 minutes.

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EDA will constantly update and upgrade its “IdentiFunding” to encompass also the relevant forthcoming Regulation (including the respective Work Programmes) under the EU’s Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027, such as the European Defence Fund, the Horizon Europe, the InvestEU, etc..

It is also worth noting that, internally to EDA, dedicated versions and methodologies of the “IdentiFunding” are being currently implemented with regard to EDA’s specific priorities and endeavors. In fact, this EDA’s exclusive and unique concept and its related different applications are now complementing and benefitting both the Technology Building Blocks [TBBs] under the Overarching Strategic Research Agenda [OSRA] and the Key Strategic Activities [KSA] derived from CDP priorities and OSRA, as well as energy projects generated by the EDA’s Consultation Forum for Sustainable Energy in the Defence and Security Sector.

An additional outcome of the “IdentiFunding” is that it provides relevant statistics about the extent the European Defence Technological and Industrial Base (EDITB) is meeting eligible funding opportunities at European level.

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