In March 2019, EDA launched ‘IdentiFunding’, an online tool that allows defence stakeholders to quickly identify existing EU funding schemes available for their defence-related projects.

The IdentiFunding covers more than 20 funding opportunities currently open for defence-related projects, including the Preparatory Action on Defence Research (PADR), the European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP), Structural Funds, COSME, LIFE, Erasmus+. Remarkably, since July 2019 the European Investment Bank (EIB) has joined EDA’s IdentiFunding by adding its “Project loans”. Available opportunities for funding encompass grants, loans and equity.

The aim of the IdentiFunding tool is to save budget, time and human resources usually required for defence stakeholders in order to identify whether their project and entities qualify for potential EU support.

To help you find your way to funding at European level, the "IdentiFunding" online tool is available free-of-charge on EDA’s European Funding Gateway for Defence and SME corner.

Who can benefit?

Different EU funding opportunities are available for:

- Ministries of Defence and Armed Forces;
- European defence industry including Small-and-Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs - up to 250 employees) and Mid-Caps (250-3000 employees), large companies and EU PRIMEs;
- Defence-related Research & Technology organisations, universities and other institutes.
All these actors can benefit from EU funding, in over 250 regions in the 28 EU Member States.

**How does it work?**

By answering to ten simple questions, the online tool performs a tailored instant scanning of more than 20 existing funding opportunities at European level (including their work programmes). The personalised scan is based on your project topic, location, budget, geographical scope and status, as well as the nature of your organisation.

**Funding for what?**

- R&T/D (up to systems – from Technology Readiness Level 1 to 9)
- Equipment & infrastructure (e.g. asset purchase, acquisition, procurement, manufacturing)
- Training and Learning
- Working Capital and Financial Capacity

**Will IdentiFunding be updated?**

The tool is constantly updated and will later on include the new funding opportunities arising under the EU’s upcoming Multianual Financial Framework 2021-2027, such as the European Defence Fund and Horizon Europe, as well as the InvestEU Programme (which will bring together under one roof a multitude of EU financial instruments).

**To access the IdentiFunding and other EDA’s funding platforms**

Go to the European Funding Gateway for Defence: [https://eda.europa.eu/eufunding](https://eda.europa.eu/eufunding)