

NEWS OF THE MONTH



[EDA fosters dialogue on innovation in field medicine](#) – The European Defence Agency (EDA) held a workshop and networking event on 24 and 25 January to support the development of the future Multinational Medical Modular Unit (M3U) Programme, foster a platform for multinational collaboration and establish a dialogue with industry. More than 50 representatives from Member States, industry and other institutions shared information and knowledge on present and future capability development for Medical Support to the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).



[EU funding for defence stakeholders](#) – To raise awareness, transfer know-how and build autonomous capacity about the Erasmus+ opportunities for defence, the European Defence Agency (EDA) published the “EDA’s [ERASMUS+ platform](#)”. This is a new user-friendly gateway providing potential defence-related stakeholders (such as Ministries of Defence, defence-related industry, RTOs, academia, clusters).

SUCCESS STORY



[ESIF funding for cyber project supported by EDA](#) – A €7.1 million R&T and skill-related project run by a large (‘Prime’) European defence company and designed to improve cyber defence training has been awarded EU co-funding under the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF). The EDA actively supported the project application for ESIF funding.

HOT SPOTS



[First EU Preparatory Action project signed for €0.95 million](#) – A grant agreement worth a total of €0.95 million was signed on 20 December 2017 for the Strategic Technology Foresight action to be carried out under the EU Preparatory Action in the field of defence research. The grant agreement was signed between the European Defence Agency (EDA) and the winning consortium led by Engineering Ingegneria Informatica S.p.A.



[New chip developed under EDA project gets award](#) – A new chip developed under the European Defence Agency’s THIMS project (Technology for High speed Mixed Signal circuits) has received the 2017 Elektra award for ‘Semiconductor Of The Year - Analog’ by Electronics Weekly, a reputed and longstanding UK-based electronics magazine and website.



[REACH roadmap 2018-2020](#) – EDA Member States recently adopted the REACH roadmap 2018-2020 which lists all current and potential future EDA activities related to the implementation, in the military domain, of EU Regulation No 1907/2006 on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH).



[EDA studies points towards Big Data potential for defence](#) – How do new and constantly evolving Big Data methodologies and techniques impact defence Modelling and Simulation and how may their increasing potential be best used? To shed light on these, the EDA launched the ‘Big Data in Defence Modelling and Simulation’ (BIDADEMS) study whose findings are now available and has led to a new project researching new methodologies (MODSIMMET).