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09.00–12.00 / online. Moderator: Silvija Seres

OPENING SESSION

Opening addresses (in English)

- Mr. Frank Bakke-Jensen, Norwegian Minister of Defence: Overarching political goals
- Mr Francois Arbault – Director Defence Industry, Directorate-General Defence Industry and Space, European Commission: EDF and the EU ambition

Norwegian EDF opportunities - what does it take to succeed? (In Norwegian)

- Mr. Espen Skjelland, acting Director General, the Norwegian Research Establishment (FFI): EDF as part of European R&D cooperation
- Mr. Torbjørn Svensgård, CEO - Norwegian Defence and Security Industries Association (FSI): EDF - the industrial perspective
- Mrs. Alexandra Bech Gjørsv, President and CEO, SINTEF: SINTEF's experience from European cooperation on R&D and innovation and cooperation with industry

PANEL DISCUSSION

LAUNCH OF EDF WORK PROGRAMME

- Mr. Martin Blom, Counsellor for Security and Defence Policy, Norwegian Delegation to the EU: The EDF work programme
- Mr. Morten Rognmo, director, Norwegian Ministry of Defence: National support schemes for EDF
- Mr. Pål S. Malm, National Contact Point for European Innovation Council, Horizon Europe: Experiences from Horizon Europe

Q&A, DISCUSSION



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